

# 2024 College Faculty Engagement Award

## UNL College of Engineering

### AWARD INFORMATION

The College Faculty Engagement Award is presented annually to up to **two** awards in the College of Engineering for outstanding accomplishments in "engagement in research, teaching and/or service" related to work with an external partner. A selection committee appointed by the Dean and composed of college faculty makes the recommendation of the award recipients to the Dean, based on submitted application materials.

According to the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, engagement involves "the collaboration between institutions of higher education and their larger external communities (local, regional/state, national, global) for the mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge and resources in a context of partnership and reciprocity."

### APPLICATION INFORMATION

- This award is open to all ranks of faculty members in the College of Engineering.
- An individual may be nominated by any faculty, staff, student, alumnus or external partner of the College of Engineering.
- Nomination materials are to be submitted electronically through the on-line submission site, with uploaded documents in PDF format. Please have all materials ready to submit at one time; forms may not be saved and added to at a later time.
- All submitted data should be from the last three academic years only: **(2020-21, 2021-2022, 2022-2023)**.
- A person may not be nominated again if she or he has received this award in the last **three** years. A list of past recipients may be found on the college website: <http://engineering.unl.edu/faculty-staff-awards/>
- Each recipient of this award receives \$2500.
- DEADLINE for submitting a complete on-line nomination: Friday, March 1, 2024 at 5 PM. Late nominations will be considered for 2025 awards.

*The on-line nomination form requests the information listed below.*

### BASIC INFORMATION

- Name of Nominee
- Nominee's Title
- Nominee's Academic Unit
- Nominee's Email
- Nominee's Phone Number
- Name of Nominator
- Nominator's Email
- Nominator's Phone Number

### TEXTBOXES:

*The following information is requested in textboxes. You may wish to prepare the text in a word processing program and then cut/paste into the appropriate boxes. Please note that special formatting of text (underlining, bolding, etc.) is not supported.*

1) Description (community partnership)

Provide a brief overview of the nominee's engagement record describing the scope of the nominee's direct engagement within the community served, including citations of collaboration, needs addressed, objectives, methods, target audience, etc.

2) Mission

How is the nominee's engagement activities compatible with college and unit missions? How does this engagement integrate with and complement the teaching, research, service, and outreach and

engagement mission of the unit?

3) Scholarship

Describe the role of the nominee's professional expertise in the design and execution of the outreach and engagement. Describe how the outreach engagement demonstrates or tests the applicability of the nominee's discipline to societal/human problems, requires integration with other disciplines, and/or generates new knowledge for the discipline. How has this been communicated to broader audiences? Has this led to increased recognition of the nominee's professional expertise, as well as the COE's reputation as an engaged college?

4) Impact

Describe observed impacts and/or explain any unobserved impacts that can be expected based upon other research and theory. Identify direct and indirect beneficiaries. How has the outreach and engagement benefited the community, the university, the nominee's department, and discipline? Provide any quantitative statements (program data, comparative indices, economic impact, etc.) illustrating impact.

**UPLOAD:**

*The following documents in support of this nomination are to be uploaded, preferably in PDF format.*

- ☐ Nominee's current curriculum vitae
- ☐ Two letters of support, one from a peer and one from a community partner
- ☐ Other relevant evidence (optional, packaged as one PDF) supporting the criteria listed below.

## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Nominations will be evaluated and awards decided based on the following criteria:

1. Scholarship: Is there strong evidence that the work has been received and recognized by the community of scholars most appropriate to the field of endeavor?
2. Community Partnership: Does the work involve reciprocal, collaborative, and mutually beneficial working relationships with community stakeholders?
3. Documented Impact: Has the impact of the work on community stakeholders been studied, understood, and reported? Is the impact sustainable?