CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

STEPHEN H. WEISS PRESIDENTIAL FELLOWS

In recognition of the importance of undergraduate teaching, the Board of Trustees has established the Stephen H. Weiss Presidential Fellowships. Each fellowship is a university-wide award for a tenured faculty member who, in addition to a respected scholarly career, has a sustained record of effective, inspiring, and distinguished teaching of undergraduate students and of contributions to undergraduate education. The title, Stephen H. Weiss Presidential Fellow, is a permanent designation, and recipients receive a $5,000 a year award, for five years, as long as they continue to hold a professorial appointment at Cornell. Faculty are permitted to hold the title simultaneously with any other named professorship.

Criteria

Nominees should have achieved success in:

- making distinctive contributions to undergraduate teaching such as challenging and well-organized presentations of the subject, adaptability to the learning needs of students, innovative approaches to course materials, creation of scholarly materials for student use, availability to students outside of class;

- influencing students beyond the formal role as a teacher such as advising or mentoring individual students (or former students), advising student organizations or groups, serving on teaching and curriculum committees, interacting informally with students;

- helping students such as aiding in case of illness or other emergencies, advising students confronted with personal problems.

Procedure

A member of the faculty, the academic staff, or a student may submit a nomination. Students who wish to submit a nomination are encouraged to contact the faculty member’s department chair for assistance in assembling supporting materials.

All nomination submissions must include two (but no more than two) letters of support from members of the faculty or academic staff, and six (but no more than six) letters of support from the nominee's current or former undergraduate students.

Re-nominations are encouraged.

Full Nomination Instructions are listed here:


Nominations deadline: March 10, 2017