

**Connecticut State University System
2007-08 Trustees Teaching Awards**

General Information

The awards are given to faculty who have distinguished themselves as outstanding teachers for the past five years and have a minimum of two-year track record of promoting instructional improvements in their programs/departments.

Eligibility

Tenure-track or tenured Assistant and Associate Professors.

Nominees must be in good standings for continuation of contract with the university.

Recipients will not be eligible for reconsideration for the award for the following three years.

Number of Awards

There will be a total of five awards granted by the CSUS Board of Trustees: four university awards, receiving \$1,000 each, and a system award chosen among the university awards, receiving an additional \$1,000.

Nominations

Nominees are expected to submit strong evidence demonstrating excellence and effectiveness in teaching (including the use of assessment of student learning outcomes to improve the educational process) and in promoting collegial interactions at the program, department and/or school levels, leading to educational improvement and student success.

Departments and programs are encouraged to nominate women, faculty of color, and members of other groups historically underrepresented in their discipline.

Source of Nominations

Nominations may originate from: Deans, Directors and Department/Program Heads, administrators, award committees, individual faculty members, individual students and self nominations. All nominations should be coordinated through the appropriate academic unit (e.g., Dean's, department or program office)

Selection Process

University Awards

Each university will determine a process for reviewing and recommending one appropriate candidate for consideration for the University Award. For this purpose, the Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs will form an appropriate review committee. Once a candidate has been identified, the nomination will be submitted to the Trustees for their final selection.

A university may determine that there are no nominations sufficiently compelling to recommend for the award on a given year.

System Award

The CSU System Award will be selected from the four University Award nominees submitted. Nominations will be reviewed by a committee composed of CSU Professors. After reviewing the nominations, the committee will forward its recommendation to the Trustees for their final selection.

Publicity

Per Trustees' directive, the Chancellor will work with the University Presidents to ensure that maximum visibility is given to the awards through local and statewide print and electronic media.

2007-08 Awards Timeline:

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| December 17, 2007: | Call for Nominations |
| February 4, 2008: | Nominations due at each university |
| February 5 - 19: | Review of nominations by universities |
| February 20: | Universities forward recommendations and support materials to System Office |
| Feb. 21 – March 6: | Committee of CSU University Professors reviews university awards recommendations and submits System Award nomination to the Trustees |
| April 2: | Academic Affairs Committee of the CSUS Board of Trustees reviews all recommendations and makes final selections |
| April 10: | Board of Trustees approves final selections. Awardees are presented with official awards at the BOT meeting |
| April 18: | 2006-07 and 2007-08 Awardees are recognized at the CSUS Assessment Conference at Southern Connecticut State University |