URECA Faculty Award for Excellence in Mentorship: Call for nominations

To honor faculty members who have distinguished themselves as excellent mentors of Wake Forest undergraduate scholars, the URECA Center has established a faculty award for Excellence in Mentorship. The award recognizes those faculty who share their passion for scholarship and creative activities, and who encourage and inspire their students to work closely with them. Each year, URECA presents two awards: one to a faculty member in the arts and humanities and another to a faculty member in the sciences or social sciences.

We invite faculty and students to nominate any faculty member who has served as a mentor for undergraduate scholarly work. Nominations are accepted in the Fall semester, and the awards are presented at a Spring faculty meeting.

Please read the guidelines below and send your nominations to Anna Willis (willisae@wfu.edu).

Nomination Guidelines:

Department Chairs, faculty, or students should submit a letter of nomination (less than two pages) that may include the following:

1. A description of the ways the nominee has influenced or encouraged the scholarly or creative work of an individual or group of undergraduate students. You may include not only collaborative work that the nominee has initiated through summer fellowships, but also directed readings, independent studies, mentored research for credit, departmental honors, externally funded research, etc.

2. The nominee’s history of mentored scholarship with undergraduates.

3. Notable scholarly or creative accomplishments of undergraduate students who have worked with the nominee, for example, scholarly participation in presentations and performances and/or at conferences.

4. Notable scholarly or creative accomplishments of the nominee that were influenced or inspired by his/her collaborations with students.

If the nomination comes from a faculty member or student, a brief endorsement from the candidate’s chair is required. If not included with the nomination it will be requested later.

The chair should submit the candidate’s CV.

A maximum of three letters or emails from students may be included.