



# Spring Convocation Award Narrative

Name: **PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SERVICE-LEARNING**

Description: This award will recognize a faculty member and their community partners who have together engaged students in high-quality service-learning. Through service-learning, students apply their academic skills and knowledge to address the genuine needs of a community organization. This provides students with a deeper understanding of their studies and fosters a stronger sense of civic responsibility.

**Eligibility:** All current tenure track or non-tenure track faculty and their community partner(s)

Sponsor: Office of Academic Affairs

Award Amount: \$1000

**Selection Criteria:**

The assessment of nominees will involve consideration of the quality of the partnership, and will be heavily weighted around how well the service-learning course(s) meet(s) the best practices of service learning listed below:

- Identified course learning objectives
- evaluation and/or assessment of student learning
- structured reflection activities
- addresses an actual community identified need

**Nomination Materials Required:** Faculty, administrators, students and others who are knowledgeable about the individual's engagement in service learning are invited to submit nominations online. Please provide the nominee's name, department, and a brief statement as to why you feel your nominee should receive this award. Individuals who are nominated for this award will be contacted later for more information.

*Questions about the President's Award for Excellence in Service Learning should be addressed to [Rebekah.VanWieren@rebekah.vanwieren@montana.edu](mailto:Rebekah.VanWieren@rebekah.vanwieren@montana.edu).*