

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Stephen H. Weiss Provost's Teaching Fellowships

In order to acknowledge and encourage innovative undergraduate teaching among non-tenure-track faculty, the family of the late Stephen H. Weiss '57, chairman emeritus of the Cornell University Board of Trustees, has expanded the long-standing Stephen H. Weiss Presidential Fellowships to include a new university-wide award. The Stephen H. Weiss Provost's Teaching Fellowships will be made annually to non-tenure-track individuals with a major commitment to teaching (normally Lecturers or Senior Lecturers, Professors of the Practice, or Clinical Professors; in exceptional cases, Research Associates and Senior Research Associates with significant teaching accomplishments may qualify). Recipients will receive \$3,000 per year award, for five years, as long as they continue to hold a professional appointment at Cornell. "Stephen H. Weiss Provost's Teaching Fellow" is a permanent designation that may be held with any other academic title.

Criteria for selection:

Nominees are Cornell non-tenure-track faculty with demonstrated strong interest and accomplishment in educational endeavors, and with promise for continued excellence in teaching. Specifically, a Weiss Provost's Teaching Fellow will have achieved success by:

- **making distinctive contributions to teaching**, including challenging and well-organized presentations of material, use of innovative teaching methods that enhance active learning of core concepts in the field, and ready availability to students outside the class;
- **influencing students beyond the formal role as an instructor**, including academic advising, mentoring students in individual theses and other scholarly projects, advising student organizations, and interacting with students in informal contexts;
- **helping students** in informal ways, such as advising students faced with personal problems or illnesses to locate resources that may alleviate their problems.

Procedure

A member of the faculty, the academic staff, or a student may submit a nomination; typically, this is done by the Chair of the department of the nominee. 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 not more than two) letters of support from members of the faculty or academic staff, and six (but not more than six) letters of support from the nominee's current or former undergraduate students. Re-nominations are encouraged.

[Click here for Nomination Guidelines](#)

NOMINATIONS DEADLINE: MARCH 17, 2017