

Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Emerging Educator Award

The Emerging Educator Award recognizes an emerging health science educator who demonstrates excellence, dedication, and perseverance in teaching and education early in their career. The focus will be on work done while at UNMC.

ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

- **Rank:** Open to all full-time or part-time UNMC faculty members at the rank of instructor or assistant professor in an educational role. UNMC Deans, Institute Directors, Hospital CEO, Vice Chancellors, and the Chancellor are not eligible.
- **Experience:** Faculty must have served at UNMC for at least 1 year, but less than 5 years as of the award submission deadline.
 - *Only faculty members with less than 10 years of total faculty experience, including time at previous institutions, are eligible. The award committee will only consider experience and endeavors while the candidate has been a faculty member at UNMC*
- Previous recipients are not eligible for reconsideration for this award.

AWARD CRITERIA

- Demonstrated excellence in health science education at the local or regional level as evidenced by active participation in educational committees, presentations, workshops, or similar professional activities
- Evidence of teaching innovation in the classroom or clinical setting demonstrated using creative instructional methods, use of new technologies, or novel practical exercises in the clinical or classroom setting
- Effective mentoring of students or other learners in the classroom or clinical setting characterized by through establishing strong relationships that foster mentees' academic and professional development
- Recognition of teaching excellence by peers or students as evidenced by including endorsements, award nominations, or honors received from colleagues or learners
- Development of comprehensive, content-aligned curricular materials aligning with educational standards and/or collaborative efforts with colleagues on interprofessional resources
- Use/dissemination of educational materials at the local or regional level through presentations, workshops, or peer-reviewed publications

NOMINATION MATERIALS

1. Nomination Form

Submitted nomination form (self-nominations welcome)

2. Personal Statement

Candidates will receive a link to complete their personal statement within Microsoft Forms. Personal statement must emphasize evidence of award criteria.

3. Portfolio

Portfolios include artifacts that support accomplishments submitted in their personal statement.

1. Supporting evidence of award criteria
2. A summary table of learner or activity evaluations or feedback that provide support of award criteria is encouraged

4. Letters of Support

Candidates submit at least two letters of support that address the award criteria. A maximum of three letters are permitted.

Letters of support may be received from learners (students, residents, and fellows), staff, or faculty members at UNMC or collaborators from other institutions. A letter from a supervisor or candidate's chair may be submitted but is not required.

NOTE: It is recommended that at least one letter be from a learner.

5. CV

Current CV formatted using UNMC guidelines. Information supporting the award should be highlighted.