

Criteria for the Teaching Excellence Award

Candidates for this award must be full-time faculty members whose university careers are distinguished by truly outstanding performance in the classroom, and/or laboratory setting. Nominees for the award should have achieved the highest recognition from students, colleagues, and administrators because of their:

- superior knowledge of subject matter;
- teaching philosophy that exemplifies Athens State University's vision and mission statement and goals of the instructor's college and department;
- focus on student learning and the integration of theory & practice;
- imaginative, effective, and rigorous methods of presenting course materials and evaluating learning;
- abiding concern for students' advancement in a discipline, in the university, in the workplace, in the community;
- ability to engender and nurture values of learning such as curiosity, objectivity, enthusiasm, fairness, and critical thinking in students;
- record of producing students who by virtue of outstanding teaching, achieve great success throughout their university careers;
- pedagogical/andragogical diligence, dedication, versatility, generosity, and creativity.