



Faculty Service Excellence Award

2026-27 Nomination Information

Nomination Deadline: **December 7, 2026, 4:00 pm**

Submit completed nomination package electronically to
UFVSecretariat@ufv.ca.

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In accordance with the Board policy, Academic Excellence Award (BRP-235.03), this annual award recognizes individual faculty for academic excellence in service, which is implicit in the mission statement for UFV.

ELIGIBLE UFV NOMINATORS

- ✚ B Type faculty after probation period
- ✚ Sessional faculty with equivalent of two years of teaching (accumulation of 14 sections)
- ✚ Continuing Education faculty with equivalent of two years of teaching (accumulation of 630 hours)
- ✚ Staff*
- ✚ Students enrolled in at least one UFV course
- ✚ Alumni
- ✚ University officers*

Nominations are not made by, or letters of support provided by, any member of the Faculty Service Excellence Award selection committee.

*For definitions, refer to the [Senate Bylaws, p. 10.](#)

ELIGIBLE NOMINEES

Eligible nominees **currently** hold one of the following positions:

- ✚ B Type faculty after probation period.
- ✚ Sessional faculty with equivalent of two years of teaching (accumulation of 14 sections).
- ✚ Continuing Education faculty with equivalent of two years of teaching (accumulation of 630 hours)

Note the following:

- a. Winners can be nominated again five years following receipt of the award.
- b. Nominees who are unsuccessful in their first year of nomination are considered as candidates for the faculty service excellence award for a second year. Nominators are invited to:
 - Let the nomination stand and provide relevant updates to meet required documentation; or,
 - withdraw the nomination upon the nominee's request.

If the nominators are not available, the Secretariat Office contacts nominees to determine if they would like to have their nomination stand for another year. Nominees who are unsuccessful in both first and second years of nomination will need to be re-nominated to be considered.

AWARD RECOGNITION

The award recipient will receive the award during an appropriate university event designated for award recipients. The award will include:

- A plaque with the award recipient's name and the year of the award;
- a framed certificate;

\$1,000 to be used for professional development or research as determined by the award recipient, who the University Secretariat office contacts to discuss options.

NOMINATION PACKAGE

The nomination package consists of all of the following:

1. A letter of nomination outlining how the nominee meets the criteria for the Faculty Service Excellence award (maximum 1,000 words) which details the nominee's service over the previous 5 years, emphasizing service which goes above and beyond the basic service requirements expected of employees, and providing evidence of the ways in which the nominee's service demonstrates excellence in meeting the criteria as set out for the Faculty Service Excellence award.
2. A nominator form, signed by the nominator, indicating their eligibility type.
3. Exactly five letters of support that provide specific information supporting the criteria of the Faculty Service Excellence Award (500 words maximum):
 - At least two letters from individuals within UFV, which could include admin, faculty, staff, or students, who have significant knowledge of the individual's service; and,
 - At least two letters from external partners who have direct, significant knowledge of the individual's service. A letter of support cannot come from the nominator.
 - A letter from a student or group of students.
4. Nominators do not submit a letter of support. They are asked to advise support letter writers to address one or more of the selection criteria and to provide them with the criteria. A current curriculum vitae of the nominee, clearly outlining all areas of service.
5. Documents that provide evidence of service, such as newsletters, media clippings, awards or Honors for service, website references, annual reports, links to committee reports, etc.
6. A consent form signed by the nominee, agreeing to be nominated.

CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION OF AWARD RECIPIENT

Candidates are evaluated on the following criteria. These are baseline expectations which the award recipient must meet.

The Faculty Service Excellence award recognizes and celebrates faculty excellence in service, while at UFV. As outlined in the recommendations on University-wide principles for the establishment of criteria for faculty standards, service includes productive contributions in meeting the needs of one's department, faculty, and institution, and academic and regional communities. Faculty members may serve the university, their departments or programs, and their disciplines in a variety of ways, guided by the overall aim of directing,

organizing, and/or enhancing the life and work of the university, their field of study and practice, and/or the communities of the Fraser Valley.

- **Collaboration across boundaries**
- **Contribution to UFV's mandate**
- **Impact**

The following are descriptive attributes of the main criteria:

1. Collaboration Across Boundaries

- Community engagement and partnerships
- Initiatives bring multiple partners / stakeholders together from across UFV and/or local/global communities, with a focus on Indigenization, Internationalization, and principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion
- Evidence of an inclusive approach to collaboration, including cooperation, mutual respect, mutual benefit, clear communication, and teamwork

2. Contributes mission of engaging learners, transforming lives, and building community

- Service models positive civic engagement and responsibility
- Service provides opportunities for individual and/or collective transformation
- Service creates opportunities for student engagement in service

3. Impact

- Service positively affects UFV and its stakeholders in a variety of ways, such as improved reputation, individual transformation, establishment of further initiatives or partnerships, and increased opportunities for student service
- Emphasis is on long-term impact

ADMINISTRATION OF THE AWARD

The UFV Faculty Service Excellence Award selection committee is a subcommittee of the Faculty Standards Committee of Senate, and is responsible for receiving nominations, and recommending a recipient for the award. The recommendation is approved by the Senate Awards and Honours Committee, who makes the final recommendation to Senate.

PROCEDURE TIMELINES

Nomination information and procedures are available on the [Faculty Service Excellence Award web page](#). The nomination package must be submitted electronically by **December 7, 2026, 4:00 pm** to UFVSecretariat@ufv.ca, following the format requirements outlined in the [Nomination Package](#) section.