The Janet Mason Ellerby Women’s and Gender Studies Scholarly Award

The Women’s Studies and Resource Center is pleased to announce the establishment of a new award. The Janet Mason Ellerby Women’s and Gender Studies Scholarly Award recognizes UNCW faculty for substantial scholarship in the field of Women’s and Gender Studies.

I: Purpose

The Janet Mason Ellerby Women’s and Gender Studies Scholarly Award is hereby created as an annually funded award at the University of North Carolina Wilmington in recognition of Dr. Ellerby’s significant contributions to feminist scholarship and activism.

II: Criteria

The award recognizes UNCW scholars for substantial scholarship and community engagement in the field of Women’s and Gender Studies.

The award is considered a merit award and the recipient will be selected on a written nomination. It will be awarded annually to one continuing full-time or part-time faculty member with 2 or more continuous years in good standing at UNCW. The recipient receives an award and $300.

The Janet Mason Ellerby Women’s and Gender Studies Scholarly Award selection committee shall select a recipient and announce the recipient to the WSRC director who will send official notice in writing to the recipient. The award recipient will be selected based on criteria stated above. A committee composed of at least three (3) members of the Women’s Studies advisory board will choose the recipient. Selection Committee members may not submit applications. Selection Committee members will serve staggered terms and cycle off every two (2) years, when possible. Previous awardees are not eligible for three (3) years.

The award takes two forms which will alternate annually: one for distinguished scholars and one for emerging scholars. For this award, a distinguished scholar is defined as an associate or full professor and an emerging scholar is defined as a faculty member in her/his first 2 to 3 years of scholarship or one who has recently moved into the field of Women’s and Gender Studies. The 2011-2012 academic year will address emerging scholars in the field of Women’s and Gender Studies at UNCW. In both categories of the award, the nomination letter must address evidence of wide-ranging scholarly achievement (peer-reviewed and public scholarship) and at least three (3) of the following: mentoring students; project/program mentoring; promoting and educating the university community and the public about women’s issues; curriculum changes and impact; service to the university, the community, and the profession with respect to advancing women’s issues.

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III. Schedule of Contributions and Recognition

Applications received after 1:00 p.m. on the deadline date of January 15, 2012 will be declared ineligible. The honoree will be announced by February 21, 2012. The recipient will be honored at the spring reception for graduating Women’s Studies minors in early May with the previous year’s recipient presenting the award.

The award will be full payment in spring semester to be disbursed to cover operating need or as compensation. If the payment is not spent by June 1, the funding will be returned to the WSRC and will fund future awards. Availability of the award is contingent upon the availability of funds.

IV. Administration

1. The University of North Carolina Wilmington is a recognized tax exempt organization under IRS guidelines (UNCW Tax ID 56-1258660). All policies and procedures of UNCW shall be followed in the management of the WSRC Trust Fund. 1. Any individual, organization, corporation or foundation may make additions to the Fund at any time and such additions shall be made subject to the provision of this instrument. All gifts to the Fund are irrevocable.

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Nominee’s name and title: __________________________________________
Nominee’s department or unit: __________________________________________

Nominator’s name and title

The nomination letter (no more than 500 words) must demonstrate why the nominee is deserving of this award by referencing specific categories mentioned above in the criteria section. In addition to the letter, the nominator must include a brief version of the nominee’s C.V. (no more than five pages).

Return completed nominations by 1p.m. on January 15, 2012 to:
Peggy Styes
Women’s Studies & Resource Center
2053 Randall Library

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