

## **Outstanding Graduate Faculty Teacher/Advisor Award**

The Outstanding Graduate Faculty Teacher/Advisor Award honors a faculty member from UMD's Graduate School who has demonstrated outstanding service to the University through teaching, advising and mentoring. Each award winner will receive \$2500 as a salary augmentation or as a travel or equipment allocation.

### Procedures for Identification and Selection

- 1) The Associate Vice Chancellor for Graduate Education and Research shall call for nominations for the Outstanding Graduate Faculty Teacher/Adviser Award.
- 2) Faculty, staff, or students may make nominations or members of the Graduate Faculty may nominate themselves.
- 3) Nomination letters should be no more than two pages and should include:
  - a) The nominee's years of service in the department/program;
  - b) The total number of graduate/professional students advised during that period and those advised over the past 5 years;
  - c) Graduate-level courses developed or taught by the nominee;
  - d) Specific examples of the nominee's success in teaching or advising. This can include discussion of how the nominee has:
    - i) helped students to set realistic expectations, acquire competencies, stay on track, and overcome personal and professional challenges;
    - ii) demonstrated sustained commitment to students;
    - iii) challenged students to go beyond what they thought was possible in academic excellence.
- 4) Supporting materials may be provided, including up to three letters of support. One of these should be from a current or former student. Letters of support, not to exceed one page in length, should provide specific examples of the nominee's teaching or advising excellence.
- 5) Nominations should be submitted to the AVCGER by February 21, 2020.
- 6) Nominations will be screened by an ad hoc committee consisting of three members of the UMD Graduate Faculty, representing at least two UMD colleges, who will provide recommendations to the AVCGER.
- 7) The AVCGER shall forward prioritized recommendations and documentation to the Office of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs by February 28, 2020.