



Sessional Faculty Teaching Prize 2009-2010

The Faculty of Education has a long-standing commitment to excellence in teaching. In recognition of the significant contribution that Sessional Faculty make to our programs, the Faculty of Education offers a *Sessional Faculty Teaching Prize* to outstanding educators. The prize includes both a plaque and \$1000.

1. Eligibility

The award is open to any individual holding a 50% or more appointment as a Sessional Lecturer during the current academic year.

2. Nomination Process

Students and/or instructors are encouraged to make nominations to the Department Head in the form of a one to three page letter of nomination, signed by two or more individuals (students or instructors or both). The letter should indicate the case for awarding the prize to the nominee. These nomination letters are due to the Heads Office by **December 1, 2009**.

Departments can then nominate as many sessional faculty as they wish for the Faculty of Education Sessional Teaching Prize, however up to two will be given in any given year. In preparing the nomination package, the Department Head should contact the SCET Office who will provide a complete compilation of student evaluation information to accompany the letter of nomination. Furthermore, at least three additional support letters should be sought from students. The nominee's curriculum vitae should also be included. Lastly, the nominee should write a 500 word (maximum) personal philosophy to accompany the nomination package. Using information from the support letters, CV, and personal philosophy, it is preferable that the Department Head provides a letter that quotes from supporting reference letters, support materials and/or responses from individuals representing multiple perspectives (e.g. students, faculty, principals, etc).

Ideally, nominees should: have close connections with schools or other educational institutions beyond UBC, attempt to bring research into their teaching, be involved in a number of professional activities, have a long term commitment to teaching at UBC and be committed to systematically inquiring into their own practices. However other attributes will be considered. Thus the unique attributes of each nominee should also be described.

Previous Winners:

Marlane King	2004-2005	Shauna Faber	2006-2007
Robert Shoofey	2004-2005	Wendy Carr	2007-2008
Bruce Gurney	2005-2006	Bill Wilson	2007-2008
Hugh Rockett	2005-2006	Traci Baillie	2008-2009
Lynn Fels	2006-2007	Gale Smith	2008-2009

Individual nomination packages should be submitted to the **Head's Office by December 1, 2009**.

Department nomination packages should be submitted to the Chair of the Teaching Prize Committee, Dr. Rita Irwin, Associate Dean, **Teacher Education Office by January 15, 2010**.