

## **Letter of Nomination Form**

Award for Faculty Excellence in Mentoring Doctoral Students

All individuals who graduated with their UCF doctoral degrees in 2023 (i.e. graduation in May, July, or December, 2023) are invited to nominate faculty members for this award. In addition graduate faculty members may also nominate their peers who have shown an outstanding ability to mentor doctoral students to their degree.

## Instructions for Nomination

The criteria to be assessed in making this award are as follows:

- How did the faculty mentor provide a supportive environment that facilitated the best performance and talents of his/her student(s) in their discipline?
- How did the faculty mentor prepare her/his student(s) to excel in their professional discipline? For example, how was the student prepared to establish his/her own record of scholarly activity or performance, delivering conference presentations, and/or engaging in other professional development opportunities, obtaining external fellowships or grants, etc.?
- What other qualities did the faculty mentor display that contributed to his/her ability to be an outstanding mentor?
- Did the faculty mentor have a record of achievement in successfully mentoring her/his students to the successful completion of their degree?

Keeping the above criteria in mind, please describe why you have nominated the individual listed above, and how she/he fulfills the criteria of the award and demonstrates outstanding mentoring practices. Your letter of nomination should be no longer than 2 pages.

If you desire, you may solicit additional letters of support from other 2023 doctoral graduates and/or faculty members familiar with your nominee's abilities to supplement your nomination letter. Have the secondary nominator submit this form in addition to their letter.

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Please submit your nomination as an email attachment directly to:	
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Senior Associate Dean of the College of Graduate Studies	
gradawards@ucf.edu	
Letter of Nomination (Begin your letter below and submit this form and your letter as a single attachment):	