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## 2009 ADEA/Colgate-Palmolive Excellence in Teaching Award

### **Purpose**

The American Dental Education Association (ADEA)/Colgate-Palmolive Excellence in Teaching Award recognize dental educators who demonstrate exemplary standards and promote excellence in dental education through scholarship and innovation. The award is ultimately aimed at enriching educational experiences by generating intellectual excitement within dental institutions and programs. This commitment to excellence and the scholarship of teaching and learning may be demonstrated in any dental instructional setting, including classroom or laboratory instruction, clinical teaching or preceptorships, research and instructional mentoring, continuing education, community-based instructional settings, or electronically mediated teaching and learning experiences.

### **Overview**

The ADEA Council of Faculties views this award as highly prestigious. To ensure the excellence and continuity of the award, the ADEA Council of Faculties strongly recommends the recipient maintain a high profile in teaching excellence within his or her school or program and at nationally recognized educational forums. The recipient should also be actively involved in the identification of future nominees. The recipient will receive a \$2,500 award to be used only to enhance his or her teaching efforts. The stipend will also be used for travel to the 2009 ADEA Annual Session in Phoenix, Arizona, March 14-18. The recipient of the award is expected to share his or her expertise with ADEA members during an appropriate venue at a future ADEA Annual Session.

### **Application Deadline**

All applications must be received on or before December 8, 2008. Electronic submissions are not accepted. Receipt of entries cannot be acknowledged.

Send all applications directly to the ADEA Awards Program Coordinator:

ADEA 2009 Awards, Fellowships, and Scholarships  
Monique Morgan  
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Suite 1100  
Washington, DC 20005

Contact Monique Morgan at 202-289-7201 or [morganm@adea.org](mailto:morganm@adea.org) with any questions.

### **Eligibility**

Applicants are to be initially identified and recognized within individual institutions or programs of dental education. Ideally, identification, review, and recognition of the candidates will be coordinated by a team consisting of an ADEA Council of Faculties representative; the Dean, academic dean, or director of the institution; a peer teaching professional; and the appropriate student or alumni representative. Nominations are to be forwarded by the Dean or director of the institution. General characteristics and identifiers of excellence in teaching include:

#### *General Characteristics*

- Commitment to principles of lifelong learning
- Demonstrated creativity in curriculum design or innovations in the delivery of education to students
- Motivation of students to study and master subject matter or clinical competency
- Regarded by peers as an excellent educator
- Exemplary mentoring skills

- Student-centered approach that shows concern for growth and development
- Identifiable impact on student learning
- Demonstrated creativity in curriculum design or innovations in the delivery of education to students

#### *Teaching Excellence Identifiers*

- Performance evaluations conducted by peers and students
- Application of the philosophy of the scholarship of teaching and learning
- Development of innovative teaching and learning strategies or technologies
- Continuous improvement of courses
- Articles, invited presentations, or workshops on teaching strategies and effectiveness

#### *Excellence in Clinical Instruction*

- Provides thorough orientation for the students in their clinical experiences
- Discusses scientific underpinnings for patient management protocols
- Cultivates students' analytical abilities and judgment skills
- Integrates textbooks and didactic learning into clinical encounters

#### **An applicant must:**

- demonstrate excellence in teaching students
- hold a full-time predoctoral or postdoctoral faculty appointment at an ADEA Member Institution
- be an ADEA Individual Member

#### **Application Process Checklist**

Submit the following on or before **December 8, 2008**:

- the completed application form
- an abbreviated curriculum vitae including:
  - Name, mailing address, phone and fax numbers, and email address
  - Title and academic rank
  - Employer
  - Years of experience
  - Current academic appointment
  - Previous academic appointment(s)
  - Educational background (area of study, schools and programs attended, and graduation dates)
  - Other training or education (fellowships, residencies, courses, and completion dates)
  - Teaching accomplishments, honors, and awards
- An optional listing of key publications and presentations, not to exceed one page
- A listing of career highlights, not to exceed one page
- A composite letter of nomination to be prepared by the Dean in conjunction with the academic dean or director of the institution, the ADEA Council of Faculties institutional representative, a peer professional, and a student or alumni representative detailing the applicant's contribution to the scholarship of teaching and learning and describing the reasons the nominee should receive the award. This composite letter must identify the nominee's past recognition and summarize the most recent course evaluations.
- A personal statement outlining the applicant's educational development, self learning, growth in teaching, and goals, along with his or her philosophy of teaching and ways he or she has contributed to the student learning experience, and how the award will be used to advance the scholarship of teaching and learning (three-page limit)

**Authorized Signatory**

The completed application must be signed by one of the following:

- Dental school dean
- Program director

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

**Notification Date and Award Announcement**

Scholarship recipients will be notified on or before February 1, 2009. Awards will be presented at a ceremony during the 2009 ADEA Annual Session in Phoenix, Arizona, March 14-18.

**Past Recipients****2008**

Dr. Mildred McClain, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

**2007**

Dr. Neil Norton, Creighton University

**2006**

Dr. George Gallagher, Boston University

**2005**

Dr. Stephen Bayne, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**2004**

Dr. Chris Rice, University of Missouri-Kansas City

**2003**

Prof. Marsha Cunningham, University of Iowa

**2002**

Dr. Charles Shuler, University of Southern California

**2001**

Dr. Louis Abbey, Virginia Commonwealth University