

OUTSTANDING SENATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD (OSYA)

PURPOSE:

The Outstanding Senator(s) of the year award is an award to be given by the UAF Faculty Senate for truly outstanding contribution of service for academic quality at the University. The contribution to be recognized would be far beyond that normally made by an individual in the normal performance of his or her job.

CRITERIA:

The recipient should be a serving member of the UAF Faculty Senate or a serving member of a permanent or standing committee of the Faculty Senate who has made a major contribution to the faculty's and student's welfare, to the faculty's ability to carry out its duties more effectively, to the general betterment of the University outside the teaching and research function, or has shown wise and courageous leadership (and responsibility) in behalf of the faculty and University. This should be an award for service, not teaching or research, above and beyond that normally expected from an individual.

NON-ELIGIBILITY:

The President and President-Elect of the Faculty Senate are not eligible to receive this award in their positions during their years of service.

PROCEDURES:

Any eligible Faculty Senate member may nominate a candidate for the OSYA. The letter of nomination should include a brief list of the Senator's accomplishments and a cover letter that makes the case for the nominee. The nomination should be submitted to the Faculty Senate President by Noon on Friday, March 25, 2011.

The Screening Committee will consist of five members. One member will be appointed from the Provost Council by the Provost. The Faculty Senate will select four (4) members one of whom will be the President-Elect, and three others, none of whom is a nominee, in the March meeting of the Senate. This committee will meet prior to the April meeting of the Senate to screen all applicants and select one or two candidates that are recommended to the Senate President.

In the April Faculty Senate meeting, the committee shall move the appropriate resolution(s). After appropriate discussion, the full Senate shall vote by secret ballot on the motions. A simple majority vote of those attending will be necessary for the Senate to confirm an OSYA. The votes will be counted by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and the award is announced by the President of the Senate.

The award is to be presented by the President of the Senate and the form of the award shall be a framed, hand-lettered certificate that contains the resolution passed by the Senate and the signatures of the Faculty Senate President and President-Elect.