

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY

Herb Sanders Award for Outstanding Academic Advisement
Sponsored by the Academic Advisor Advisory Council

The Herb Sanders Award for Outstanding Academic Advisement was established by friends of Herb Sanders, a member of the Illinois State University faculty from 1949 until his death in January 1980. Through his work as assistant chairperson of the School of Music and in the Academic Advisement Center, Sanders touched the lives of hundreds of students. The award recognizes advisors who demonstrate a caring attitude for students, who are assertive in their contacts with students and who support campus wide academic advisement.

Eligibility Requirements:

Any individual who is currently an employee serving 50% or more time as an academic advisor or as a faculty advisor is eligible to receive this award. Previous Herb Sanders Award winners are not eligible.

The Award:

Award recipients are acknowledged at Founders Day and will receive a commemorative plaque.

Nomination Materials:

Nomination materials shall include: a statement of the nominee’s philosophy of advising, a statement of her or his plan for continued professional development as an academic advisor and a letter of support from the individual providing the nomination as well as a letter from the nominee’s immediate supervisor. (Note: If the nominator and supervisor are the same person, one letter will suffice.) Materials that support the nomination can be organized in a portfolio which demonstrates the nominee’s achievement in the areas below. The materials may include supporting letters from advisees, staff, faculty, and parents; examples of leadership initiatives in advisement campus-wide.

- Demonstrated caring attitude towards students.
- Demonstrated assertiveness in their contact with students.
- Demonstrated support for campus wide academic advisement.

Timeline:

The timeline for the 2009-2010 award is as follows:

Call for Nominations.....October 30, 2009
Nomination Materials Due.....December 1, 2009
Selection Made and Recipient NotifiedDecember 15, 2009
Award Presentation.....Founders Day Ceremony, February 2010

Selection Committee:

The selection committee shall be approved by the Academic Advisor Advisory Council. When possible the selection committee members shall be past award recipients. Should a representative of the selection committee be nominated, a replacement shall be sought. The committee shall be chaired by a representative of the Office of Enrollment Management and Academic Services.

Nomination Materials should be submitted to:

Academic Advisor Advisory Council
c/o Jayne Shindel
Office of Enrollment Management and Academic Services
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