

## Instructional Leadership Award

### Preamble

The [Senate Committee on Teaching and Learning](#) (SCOTL) established the **Instructional Leadership Award (ILA)** to recognize faculty who have demonstrated commitment to the improvement of teaching and learning at the Mount.

The award fosters achievement of teaching and learning excellence and recognition of same at the Mount, as identified in Goal One of the University's strategic plan [Mount 2017: Making a Difference](#).

### Eligibility

All current members of faculty, full-time or part-time; individuals or teams.

### Criteria

The individual(s) nominated for this award will have provided leadership among faculty colleagues by developing institutional structures and processes and will have pursued activities that help create an environment in which teaching and learning excellence is valued and fostered. This might involve one or more of the following activities:

- assisting colleagues, formally or informally, in their efforts to improve their teaching
- providing guidance to new faculty members
- organizing or participating in workshops, symposia or conferences on university teaching
- disseminating information about teaching, learning or instructional leadership in various formats, including print and other media
- participating in collaborative efforts to develop innovative methods of teaching
- designing innovative curricula

### Nominations

Nominations may be made by students, faculty colleagues, administrators, alumnae and community partners. Individuals or groups may apply or be nominated. The nomination file is to be submitted to the Office of the Vice-President (Academic) and all required letters are to be addressed to the Vice-President (Academic).

The nomination file will include:

- a letter of nomination, which summarizes the candidate(s)'s strengths
- the letter of nomination is accompanied by a maximum two page statement from the candidate(s) summarizing his/her/their philosophy of teaching and instructional development
- the nominee(s)'s current curriculum vitae
- three letters of support from colleagues will detail the candidate(s)' involvement in university activities that enhance the quality of teaching and learning at the Mount
- any other relevant materials to assist the Selection Committee

### Adjudication

SCOTL will serve as the Selection Committee; should any member of SCOTL be nominated for the award, he/she shall withdraw from the Selection Committee. If more than one member of SCOTL is so affected, membership of the Selection Committee will be augmented by drawing on previous SCOTL members.

**Deadline:** Nominations are due to the Office of the Vice-President (Academic) by Friday, February 28, 2014.

**Decision:** The SCOTL Chair will notify the award winner and the other nominees of the Selection Committee's decision by April 1.

**Award:** A framed certificate and a copy of the citation will be presented to the recipient of this award at spring convocation.

**SCOTL:** The winner of the Instructional Leadership Award will be invited to serve on SCOTL for the next academic year.

**[Association of Atlantic Universities \(AAU\) Anne Marie MacKinnon Educational Leadership Award:](#)** The winner of the ILA will be eligible to be nominated by the Mount for this regional teaching award. The nomination file is submitted electronically from the President's office to the AAU office no later than May 15.

Please direct any inquiries about the Mount's ILA or the AAU ELA to SCOTL.