

# **OGSPS Excellence in Teaching Award**

Deadline: Tuesday, January 13, 2026, 5:00 PM Eastern US

The Office of the Vice Provost for Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars will award three Graduate Teaching Assistants with the OGSPS Excellence in Teaching Award.

\*Note that the 2026 OGSPS Excellence in Teaching Award program is being conducted independently from other Teaching Academy awards and the Center for Instructional Excellence. It is not a requirement, as in past years, that eligibility is limited to graduate students who have received the Teaching Academy Graduate Teaching Award

**Award amount:** The Excellence in Teaching Award will receive a plaque, \$1,000, and will be honored at the OGSPS Awards Reception on April 23, 2026.

### Eligibility:

Applicants must be registered as full-time graduate students (enrolled for eight credits or more) during the Spring 2026 semester.

- Applicants must have served as a Graduate Teaching Assistant for at least two sessions during their Purdue graduate program.
- Previous recipients of the OGSPS Excellence in Teaching Award are not eligible.

#### Application:

Please address the following items, in the order listed below, in the application. While you are not limited to the items listed, any additional information is subject to the four (4) page limit. This 4-page limit does not include the required Nomination Cover Sheet.

Please limit the application to four (4) pages, 12 pt. Times Roman, 1.5-line spacing.

- Evidence/Examples of Excellence in Teaching (including, but not limited to)
  - Statement of Teaching Philosophy
  - o Courses Taught and Number of Students (if known)
  - Course Responsibilities
  - Instructional Materials Developed (for example, laboratory exercises, online guides, etc.)
  - Student Evaluations/Comments
- Evidence/Examples of Excellence in Student/Colleague Mentoring
- Professional Development and Engagement/Service Activities Focused on Teaching (including, but not limited to)
  - o Professional Development Events (facilitated or participated in on or off campus)
  - Publications and Presentations
  - Engagement Activities at the Professional, University, and Community Level
- List of Awards and Honors

#### **Nomination Process:**

First, packages are reviewed by AAE to select one nominee to be sent to the College. The College selects one finalist for consideration to be sent to OGSPS. Second, finalist packets from all Colleges across the University will be reviewed by a panel of faculty, staff, and students coordinated by OGSPS. Winners will be notified by OGSPS by the end of March.

## Submission:

Email the application package to Jon Mrozinski (jwmrozin@purdue.edu) **AND** copy Morgan Delaney (mdelane@purdue.edu) by the deadline.