

Annual Physics Graduate Teaching Awards

Two Teaching Awards: Eligibilities

1. K-State Physics award for Outstanding Teaching by a First or Second Year Graduate Student.

- Only physics graduate students in good academic standing who are in their first or second year at K-State are eligible.
- Good academic standing implies on-schedule progress towards the final degree with no C or lower grades in physics courses.
- Outstanding performance in this category implies effective teaching in an undergraduate classroom at a level appropriate for a first or second year student with a demonstration of promise for continued development as a teacher.

2. K-State Physics award for Outstanding Service in Teaching by a Graduate Student

- Only physics graduate students in good academic standing who are in their first or second year at K-State are eligible.
- Good academic standing implies on-schedule progress towards the final degree with no C or lower grades in physics courses.
- Outstanding service in this category implies excellent teaching in undergraduate classrooms over several semesters at a level wherein a winner of this award would be a serious candidate for a K-State Presidential Award for outstanding teaching by a graduate teaching assistant.

Award Recipient Selection Procedure:

- Candidates for a teaching award must be nominated by a K-State Physics faculty member or by a supervising course instructor. Nominating letters are limited to one page; if sent by e-mail not to exceed one page in length if printed.
- **Nominating letters must be received by the Physics Department Head by March 1.**
- The Graduate Teaching Awards Committee may consider TEVALs in its evaluation, and it may charge the Director of Undergraduate Laboratories with obtaining further evaluations of candidates, such as in-class assessment by the Director or e-mail testimonials from undergraduate students.

- If the Graduate Teaching Awards Committee deems that no suitable candidates have been nominated in any particular year, then the award will not be given for that year.
- Awards may be shared.
- No student can receive a specific Teaching Award for more than once.
- The Graduate Teaching Awards Committee will choose the award recipients by April 15.