

Guidelines for O.A. GRANT EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING AWARD

The O.A. Grant Excellence in Teaching Award, initiated in 1999 by the Tarleton Alumni Association and the Tarleton Alumni Relations Office, honors Tarleton faculty who are regarded as outstanding educators. At least one individual from each of the University's academic colleges, except from the College of Graduate Studies, will be selected and recognized at the Alumni Academic Forum.

The O.A. Grant Excellence in Teaching Award represents a desire to recognize Tarleton faculty members who have had a profound effect on the lives and careers of Tarleton students. The award could have no more fitting namesake than Dr. O.A. Grant. Dr. Grant joined the Tarleton faculty in 1948 and served as head of the Tarleton Department of Social Sciences from 1967 to 1976. He was the first Tarleton teacher to receive the Piper Award for outstanding teaching in Texas Colleges and Universities, and in 1981 he received the Tarleton Distinguished Teaching Award. The Tarleton Alumni Association honored Dr. Grant as its Distinguished Faculty Member at Homecoming 1983. He retired from full time teaching in 1984.

Nominations:

A call for nominations shall be made each fall semester. Information about the award will be available through:

- Association's Web Site
- Alumni Magazine
- Homecoming "Connection" Mailing
- Alumni Chapter Meetings
- Homecoming Registration
- Association Receptions

Nominations will be accepted from:

- Former Students
- Current Students
- Faculty Members
- Staff Members

Individuals are prohibited from nominating themselves. Current students shall be notified about the nomination process through the Tarleton email system. In order for the nominations to be properly and thoroughly reviewed, the deadline for Nominations is **February 15th, 2010**.

Eligibility for the Award:

- Nominee must have a full-time faculty appointment and have served in that capacity for three years.
- Academic Deans, Vice Presidents and the University President are not eligible to receive the award.
- A recipient of the O.A. Grant Excellence in Teaching Award shall not be eligible to receive another award for five years from the receipt of the last award.

Nomination Procedures:

- 1) Submit an O.A. Grant Excellence in Teaching Award nomination form to the University Alumni Relations Office. Form to include nominee's name, title, academic department and contact information. (see form)
- 2) State the reason for nomination.
- 3) Include nominee's biographical information: relevant education, background, past award, scholarly work.
- 4) Letters of support from other people are encouraged.

Selection Procedures:

The Honors committee of the Tarleton State University Alumni Association will screen the nominations and submit recommendations to the University's Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs and the university President who will affirm or deny the recommendations.

Recognition and Compensation:

Recipients will be awarded \$500.00 each and be presented a plaque during the annual Alumni Academic Forum held during the spring semester.

We Need *Your* Nominations!

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Nominee's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Business Phone _____

Academic Department _____

Position _____

Nominator's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Business Phone _____

Mail nominee information to:

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