Undergraduate Research Mentor Award

The Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities (RSCA) Advisory Board welcomes nominations for the Undergraduate Research Mentor Award.

This award honors a faculty mentor who has made extraordinary efforts to support undergraduates’ intellectual growth and professional development through research, scholarship, and/or creative experiences outside of the classroom setting. We are particularly interested in activities that would otherwise go unrecognized. Nominations may be made by any faculty or staff member (including members of the RSCA Advisory Board).

The nomination should include three items:

1. A supporting letter (no more than 500 words) from a faculty member that describes the nominee’s mentoring efforts within the past 3 years. These efforts should go beyond the typical activities associated with the supervision of credit bearing independent study, research, one-on-one lessons or studio classes.

2. A supporting statement from a student (currently enrolled or recently graduated) of no more than 250 words describing their mentor’s efforts.

3. The nominee’s CV, sent either directly by the nominee or with the supporting letter.

The RSCA Advisory Board will choose one mentor for the award. We expect to offer the awardee $500 for conference travel or other forms of professional development in the next fiscal year.

Previous awardees are featured on the RSCA Mentor Award web site.

Nomination materials should be sent to rsca@newpaltz.edu (please include ‘mentor award’ in the subject line) before noon on April 5, 2021. Awards will be announced at the Student Research Symposium in early May.