College of BILSA Recognition Awards

It’s time to begin thinking about College Awards!

There are five award categories for BILSA this year:
1. Friend of the College
2. Outstanding Alumnus
3. Outstanding Employee
4. Distinguished Employee
5. Thomas and Lee Ann Lindahl Teaching Excellence Award

Descriptions of each award are below. One winner will be chosen from each category except for the Outstanding Alumni category in which up to five awardees will be named (one chosen per department/school). You may nominate more than one individual. Self-nominations are also accepted.

Please nominate deserving individuals for either category. Winners will be selected by the committee and forwarded to the nominator to contact the winner. Attached is the nomination form. You can also find the nomination form online at [http://www.uwplatt.edu/bilsa/files/nomination_form.pdf](http://www.uwplatt.edu/bilsa/files/nomination_form.pdf) Please return completed nomination forms to Robin White (whitero@uwplatt.edu, 166 Tower) by April 1.

If you have further questions regarding nominating individuals, please contact one of the BILSA Alumni Committee members: John Hammermeister, Frank Steck, Matt Akins, Hao Chen, and Marilyn Tufte.

Thank you for taking time to recognize the work of our talented college alumni and friends!

Friend of the College Award
This award acknowledges promoting the College; providing opportunities for students; assisting faculty; aiding in the implementation of technology; and/or other appropriate activities and contributions. This award can be given to a family, organization, or individual that is NOT a UWP alumnus. Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.

Outstanding Alumnus Award
This award acknowledges an individual who has demonstrated noteworthy career success. The outstanding alumnus contributed to a body of knowledge that advances a profession through research or professional activities, has made a significant contribution to society in the form of philanthropic contributions, or has demonstrated visionary thinking and actions. This recipient must be an alumnus of the UWP College of BILSA or its predecessors (ie: College of BIC, College of Ag). Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.

Outstanding BILSA Employee Award
This award acknowledges extraordinary contributions to the College by a current employee with less than 10 years of service to the college. He or she should have demonstrated excellence of performance in their job tasks. In addition, the person will have gone above and beyond job expectations to provide outstanding service to the college. Secondary consideration is given for service to the university and/or community. Nominations are due April 1 each year, and the award is presented at Homecoming. (This award will be inaugurated at Homecoming 2013.) Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.
**Distinguished BILSA Employee Award**

This award acknowledges extraordinary contributions to the College by a current or former employee with 10 years or more service to the college. He or she should have demonstrated excellence of performance in their job tasks. In addition, the person will have gone above and beyond job expectations to provide outstanding service to the college. Secondary consideration is given for service to the university and/or community. Nominations are due April 1 each year, and the award is presented at Homecoming. (This award will be inaugurated at Homecoming 2013.) Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.

**THOMAS AND LEE ANN LINDAHL TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD**

The Thomas and Lee Ann Lindahl Teaching Excellence Award recognizes faculty and instructional academic staff in the College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture (BILSA) who demonstrate high teaching standards and clearly demonstrate a commitment to students. This award will be determined by nominations from students, faculty, department chairs/directors, and the Dean of the College of BILSA. The selection will be made by a committee of three individuals consisting of a student, a faculty member, and the dean of the College of BILSA, who will serve as the chair of the committee. The student and faculty member will serve one-year terms with a rotation to ensure representation from the different departments and the School of Agriculture.

Specific criteria to be considered in the selection of the recipients of this award include the following:

1. Excellent student evaluations of instruction in a variety of courses
2. Recognition of excellence in instruction by one’s peers within a department/school
3. Recognition of excellence in teaching materials, curriculum, teaching techniques, and strategies by one’s peers within a discipline and with others outside the immediate college and university
4. Recognition of excellence in advising students over an extended period of time
5. Recognition of superior service to students through student organizations and activities
6. Development of teaching materials and activities that are shared with peers to assist in their teaching activities for teaching improvement
7. Assistance provided to students who are seeking positions for internships, placement, and graduate education
8. Other efforts and activities that indicate excellence in teaching and serving students

The amount of the annual cash award will be based on the annual earnings of the endowment and the growth of the endowment principal itself.

The Thomas and Lee Ann Lindahl Teaching Excellence Award will be present at a College meeting in the fall. A plaque, to be placed in a visible area of the College of BILSA, will display the names of the recipients, and an individual plaque will also be awarded to the recipient each year.

Faculty and instructional academic staff members who receive this award will be encouraged to use the cash award to supplement attendance at a chosen conference or activity that will further enhance excellence in instruction and service to students or for the development of teaching resources to enhance instruction. Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.