THE 2021 THOMAS G. STOCKHAM MEDAL FOR CONSPICUOUSLY EFFECTIVE TEACHING

Selection Process
A selection committee appointed by the Graduate School will meet to make the award based on the criteria stated below. The department and student will be notified of the award on or before April 15, 2021.

Selection Criteria
The medal is awarded to one graduate student each year for “conspicuously effective teaching.” Candidates for the medal are nominated by their faculty advisors and mentors. Nominations will be considered based on the following areas:

(1) The nominee’s demonstrated creative and effective teaching methods
(2) The nominee’s impact on undergraduate education in general and in their department
(3) Training and professional development opportunities that the nominee has participated in at the University of Utah
(4) The nominee’s commitment to improving the effectiveness of student teaching programs at the University of Utah

Eligibility
Any matriculated graduate student who is enrolled, officially working toward a graduate degree in the Graduate School or in a professional school or college at the University of Utah is eligible to be nominated for the award, so long as they have worked as a teaching assistant or other instructing capacity during their graduate career.

Submission
Faculty/mentors should submit an original and single copy of their nomination for the Stockman Medal to the Graduate School Fellowships Office no later than December 21, 2020. The original application must include a letter of support.

To assist in our attempt to provide fair evaluation, nominations should follow the outline given below. Incomplete nominations will not be considered.

Section A. Summary
1. Name of department (or program and associated department)
2. Nominee’s full name, student ID number, and email address
3. A list of the nominee’s teaching assignments
4. Name and email address of faculty/mentor making the nomination
Section B. Student Teaching Philosophy and Reviews

1. Include a one-page statement from the student that describes their teaching philosophy.
2. Include student's recent instructor ratings, if available.

Section C. Letter of Support (only one letter will be accepted)

1. Teaching Assignment(s): Include a detailed description of the teaching opportunities that the nominee has been involved in.
2. Describe any creative or effective teaching methods that the nominee has demonstrated.
3. Explain how the nominee’s efforts have impacted the quality of the undergraduate experience at the University of Utah.
4. Describe any training or professional development opportunities that the student has participated in at the University of Utah or elsewhere.
5. Describe or provide an example of the nominee’s commitment to improving the effectiveness of student teaching programs at the University of Utah.
6. If desired, student comments may be included in the body of the letter.

Deadline
Nominations are due by 5 pm on Thursday, December 31, 2020. Please submit nominations to the Graduate School Fellowships Office at fellowships@gradschool.utah.edu.