

University of Maine Cooperative Extension Faculty Awards
(Approved at May 5, 2014 Extension Faculty meeting)

Purpose

- Provide peer recognition of Extension faculty members
- Encourage colleagues and PRC members to submit nominations

Award Categories and Criteria

- **Organizational or Program Leadership**
 - Contributed to the success of Cooperative Extension in Maine
 - Demonstrated leadership that has changed the organization, program leadership team, or commodity group with which they work
 - Demonstrated leadership at the regional or national level
- **Creative Programming**
 - Delivered effective programming that is new or innovative
 - Documented impact of programming
 - Reached new audiences as a result of new or innovative programming
- **Applied Research**
 - Developed, funded, and conducted applied research
 - Collaborated with co-workers within Extension or in other agencies or organizations to conduct applied research and disseminate results
 - Results of applied research published in peer-review journals
 - Significant changes in client behavior or impacts to businesses, families, or the environment resulted from applying results of research

Eligibility

- Any faculty member who is involved in Cooperative Extension educational efforts
- After receiving an award, a faculty member cannot be nominated in the same category for three years

Nominators

- Extension employees, including faculty members, professionals, classified employees, and administrators
- PRC members may make nominations based on reviews of packets for reappointment, promotion, continuing contract, or posty tenure review
- Self nominations will be accepted
- Current PAC members are not eligible (suggested change 2019: if nominated, a current PAC member must abstain from decision making)

Process

1. Award nominations will be solicited by PAC in February of each year.
2. Nominations are due to PAC by email to: extension.pac-group@maine.edu
3. PAC will review nominations and make final decisions on awardees

4. PAC will announce and present awards in January. The winner in each category will receive \$500 for their Flexible Staff Development Funds. In the event of a team award winner, it will be up to the team to decide how to allocate the \$500.
5. PAC will consider nominating award winners for UMaine Teaching, Research, and Public Service Awards

Nomination Documents

1. Brief job description
 2. Recent accomplishments or CV
 3. Completed nomination form
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Nomination Form

Submit completed form and all attachments to the Policy Advisory Committee at extension.pac-group@maine.edu

Nominee:

Nominator:

Brief job description: (insert or attach)

Current CV or description of accomplishments: (insert or attach)

Award category: (select one)

Organizational or Program Leadership

Creative Programming

Research

In 500 words or less, explain why you think the nominee should receive the award: (insert or attach)

In 500 words or less, document impacts of the nominee's leadership, programming, or research: (insert or attach)

(Note: Instead of this narrative, you may submit a copy of a recently prepared one-page Program Summary. Impacts from MPRS may be submitted.)

**Thank You for Nominating a Colleague for an
Extension Faculty Award!**