NAU Award for Online Teaching Excellence
Deadline: January 31, 2020

This annual award recognizes and rewards sustained instructional excellence by faculty of all ranks teaching online courses, including competency-based courses for Northern Arizona University. Winners will receive an award certificate and a fund of $500 (sponsored by the Office of the Provost) that may be used for any allowable expense under university policy.

Criteria for this Award
- Candidates must be able to demonstrate sustained commitment to excellence in online instruction through their teaching, service, and/or professional activities.
- Candidates must describe how they demonstrate at least three of NAU’s Core Values (Integrity, Diversity, Service, Discovery, Excellence, and Student-centered) in their online teaching.
- Candidates must have at least a partial teaching appointment that includes the instruction of an online course at NAU during the current academic year. Open to full-time and part-time faculty.

Application/Nomination
- Faculty may self-nominate or nominate a colleague. Students may nominate a faculty member.
- Application must contain the following components:
  1. A cover sheet identifying the candidate’s name and departmental affiliation
  2. A narrative (no more than three pages in length) that demonstrates how the candidate has met the criteria:
     ▪ a description of the candidate’s online teaching appointment at NAU during the current academic year,
     ▪ a description of the candidate’s sustained commitment to excellence in online instruction through teaching, service, and/or professional activities.
     ▪ A description of the candidate’s implementation of NAU’s Core Values (Integrity, Diversity, Service, Discovery, Excellence, and Student-centered) into his or her online teaching, citing specific examples from syllabi, lesson guides, course assignments, and other course requirements.
  3. An abbreviated CV (not more than 5 pages) that summarizes education, professional experiences, and other information relevant to the award criteria.
  4. A letter of support from your Chair/Dean.

Submission Guidelines
Send electronic copies of application/nomination to Vice Provost and Dean for Online and Innovative Educational Initiatives, Dr. Gayla Stoner at ECES@nau.edu.