

NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS

Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award 2009-2010

The Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools is pleased to invite nominations from its member institutions for the **Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award**. This award is given in memory of Geoffrey, former President of NAGS, for outstanding support of a graduate student or graduate students from course completion through research and placement. Criteria include: provision of sound advice with respect to course of study; encouraging the best performance from students; generosity of time or other measures of effort at mentoring; assisting an unlikely or superficially unpromising student through to successful completion and placement; advice and other assistance regarding quality and quantity of student papers or other forms of publication and performance; extraordinary efforts or success with placement. These criteria are not meant to be exhaustive, but instead to suggest activities that might be considered in a nominating letter. The nominee must have been a faculty member of the nominating institution for at least three years at the time of the nomination.

A certificate and a \$1000 award check will be presented at the annual meeting's award luncheon on Friday, April 16, 2010 at the Hotel Nelligan in Montreal, Quebec. The recipient will be invited to attend the meeting as a guest of the Association and **must be present to receive the award**. Please keep in mind that travel to Montreal from the United States requires a passport for U.S. citizens, and possibly a visa for citizens from other countries.

The Graduate Dean of each NAGS member institution is invited to nominate one individual for the award. Nomination materials (in English or French), which should be transmitted by the Graduate Dean, should include:

1. *A completed nomination form.*
2. *A substantial letter of nomination, signed by the Graduate Dean, which clearly sets out the basis for the nomination.*
3. *Two letters of support from faculty and up to five letters of support from former students who have direct knowledge of the nominee's mentoring.*
4. *A curriculum vitae of the nominee.*

A personal statement from the nominee is not encouraged. Letters and evaluations should not be mere testimonials: they should address specific examples of the nominee's mentoring.

Nomination materials in Adobe pdf file format must be submitted by email to Dr. Renetta Tull, the Chair of the Mentoring Award Committee, at the email address: rtull@umbc.edu. The deadline is January 5, 2010. Receipt of nomination materials will be confirmed by the committee chair.

NOMINATION FORM

**Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools
Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award
2009-2010**

The person indicated below is hereby nominated for the Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools' Geoffrey Marshall Mentoring Award for 2009-2010.

Name of Nominee

Title of Nominee

Nominated by (Graduate Dean): _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail: _____

Fax Number: _____

DEADLINE: January 5, 2010

Please submit this form with the nomination materials in Adobe pdf file format to the Chair of the Mentoring Award Committee at the email address listed below:

**Dr. Renetta Tull
rtull@umbc.edu
(410) 455-2930**