Vantage College offers the annual Vantage College Teaching Award to a faculty member in any rank and position who has made outstanding contributions to students’ learning and academic experience in one of the Vantage One programs in the past academic year (May 1 – April 30). The award will be presented at the Vantage College Capstone Conference in July. A faculty member can receive this award only once every five years.

To be considered for the award, faculty can be nominated by a colleague or by a student(s), or submit a self-nomination, using the attached form, by May 15 to admin.assistant@vantagecollege.ubc.ca. The award will be adjudicated by the Professional Development and Awards Committee.

Materials that could be considered for this award:

* student evaluations of teaching;
* peer reviews of teaching (if available);
* up to 3 letter(s) of support from students and/or colleagues;
* teaching materials (1-2 pp.) relevant to the (self)nomination.

Since Vantage faculty teach a wide range of subject matter, there is no single conception of “outstanding teaching.” Depending on what, when, and how many students one teaches, teaching can stand out because, for example:

* it makes notoriously difficult material understandable to students;
* it demonstrates creativity in connecting curriculum to current affairs;
* it succeeds in getting students actively engaged in working with materials;
* it helps students achieve better grades;
* it is inclusive and responsive to different levels of student preparation and ability.

The award will include $500 and a certificate. Award recipients will be listed on the Vantage College website.

**Vantage College Teaching Award Nomination Form**

Name of nominee:

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Name of nominator (if other than nominee):

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Appointment type and rank of nominee (e.g., Sessional Lecturer, Lecturer, Instructor, etc.):

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Nominee first started teaching at Vantage in (term, year):

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Courses taught in any Vantage One program:

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Rationale for the (self)nomination:

*I believe the nominee has made outstanding contributions to students’ learning and academic experience in one of the Vantage One programs in the past academic year because…* (max. 200 words)

Signed Date

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