The Council on Language Instruction (CLI) wants to reward . . .

**Excellence in Foreign Language Teaching!**

Do you have a colleague who . . .

- creates and maintains a learning environment in the classroom that allows students to find a personal connection to the target language and culture?
- experiments with different technologies, techniques and methodologies that effectively engage the students in and outside of class?
- inspires students in their studies of language, literature and culture and has a reputation for helping students to achieve?
- is known for sharing teaching ideas, materials and strategies?
- maintains a positive and supportive demeanor that helps to create community within the department?
- is always ready to help on projects in the department, college or university?
- sets high goals and works tirelessly to achieve them?

In other words . . .

Do you have a colleague who deserves commendation?

The Council on Language Instruction (CLI) encourages you to nominate a colleague for the . . .

**CLI TEACHING AWARD**


Nominations due by **Friday, January 8, 2016**

Complete application dossier due **by Monday, March 7, 2016**
The Council on Language Instruction (CLI) seeks nominations for its Excellence in Foreign Language Teaching Award. The recipient of this award will receive $2,000 as an award, will be recognized by the Dean of Weinberg at the College award luncheon, and agrees to conduct an invited presentation or workshop at a CLI-sponsored event.

Overview of Nomination Process

• The Council on Language Instruction solicits nominations for the Excellence in Foreign Language Teaching Award at the beginning of Winter Quarter.
• Applicants are typically nominated by a colleague. Any faculty member may nominate a colleague for this award. Self-nominations are also encouraged. In this case, the CLI co-chairs can help identify mentors for the nomination process, if necessary.
• Nominators will mentor their nominees as the nomination dossier is assembled. In addition to writing a nomination letter to be submitted with the complete dossier, mentors review the candidate’s teaching philosophy and CV and assemble the required letters of support and additional materials before final submission of the complete application.
• Nominators can seek help from other colleagues to assemble the candidate’s dossier, but one person should be responsible for the final submission and serve as main point of reference through the nomination process.
• Nominators should send the name of the colleague they would like to nominate to the chair of the Teaching Award Committee (Francesca Tataranni, f-tataranni@northwestern.edu) by Friday, January 8, 2016.

Eligibility

• Member of the foreign language faculty (full-time, part-time, CLF, adjunct, etc.) in foreign language or in the Program for English Language Learners (ELL) at Northwestern. Faculty members who have won a Weinberg College or NU teaching award in the past six years are ineligible for this award.
• Minimum of three years in position at Northwestern.

Submission of Dossier

• The nominator/mentor should collect all of the nomination materials and submit them in one submission as a single pdf. Include the following information in the subject line: CLI Award – [name of applicant].
• Please send the complete dossier to the chair of the Teaching Award Committee (Francesca Tataranni, f-tataranni@northwestern.edu) by Monday, March 7, 2016.
Nomination Materials

The complete application, which should be assembled and submitted by the nominator by March 7, will include:

- A Letter from the Nominator that highlights the candidate's contributions to teaching at Northwestern. Teaching is understood both narrowly to include activities within the classroom and also more broadly to include contributions to the department, college, university, and broader professional community.

- Departmental Letter of Support: The chair or a representative appointed by the chair provides a letter of support for the application.

- Statement of Teaching Philosophy from the nominee setting forth her or his goals as a teacher and including activities relevant to teaching, which may include, but are not limited to:
  - Service to nominee’s language program, coordination, special activities, etc.
  - Evidence of interest in continued scholarly development (e.g., pedagogical or otherwise relevant).
  - Mentoring of colleagues, undergraduate and/or graduate students.
  - On-campus activities (e.g., organization of special events, participation in residential college activities, or participation in student organizations).
  - Service to the language community at large and the broader professional community.
  - Involvement with other Northwestern relevant offices (e.g., Study Abroad, Office of Fellowships, Office of IPD, GESI, Buffett Institute, Kaplan Humanities Institute, etc.)

- A complete, updated Curriculum Vitae.

- Supporting Letters from not fewer than two (2) undergraduate students or recent college graduates.

- Additional (not mandatory) Materials: the committee welcomes the submission of other supporting materials that reflect the achievements of the candidate in the classroom. These may include:
  - CTEC statistical summaries and summaries of comments (“NU CTEC Instructor Reports”; landscape format) for all the courses taught by the candidate during the last 2 years.
  - Other mid-term and final evaluations the candidate has designed and collected from the students enrolled in her/his classes over the last 2 years (to be submitted with the exact number of students enrolled in each class).

Review Process & Notification

- The CLI Teaching Award Subcommittee is composed of language faculty who are past recipients of Weinberg College and Northwestern teaching awards and previous recipients of the CLI Teaching Award. The subcommittee selects one winner (one award per year). Weinberg must give final approval to the subcommittee's recommendation.

- The committee will notify the applicants by the end of April. In addition to the award recipient’s recognition at the College awards luncheon, there will be an official presentation of the award at the CLI's final meeting on Thursday, June 2 at 3:00 p.m.

- Questions should be directed to the Teaching Award Committee Chair: Francesca Tataranni (f-tataranni@northwestern.edu).