

**Dean of Health Sciences Award**

**for Outstanding Contribution to Teaching in Professional Practice**

**School of Nursing & Midwifery**

The Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences has established an Award for Outstanding Contribution to Teaching in Professional Practice for each of its constituent Schools. The purpose of the award is to recognise the significant contribution of professionals who do not hold appointments with Trinity (e.g. clinical and adjunct staff) to the delivery of teaching to its undergraduate and postgraduate students.

The School of Nursing & Midwifery has a long tradition of working with our clinical and allied health colleagues to educate students across all our programmes. This ensures that our students have broad exposure to multiple clinical settings and a wide range of practicing nurses / midwives and other health professionals during their time with us making our graduates career-ready from the moment of graduation.

This award seeks to recognise the valuable contribution of such colleagues and to highlight those exceptional individuals who excel in teaching and who continually encourage an ethos of excellence in clinical teaching. The award will take the form of a trophy to be presented at a Faculty-hosted awards ceremony.

**Eligibility**

To be eligible for nomination, candidates must satisfy one or more of the following criteria:

* Have delivered course material to students as part of the B.Sc. Nursing / Midwifery / Children’s and General Integrated Programme degree programme as an invited speaker or lecturer to School of Nursing and Midwifery.
* Have delivered course material to students as part of the B.Sc. Nursing / Midwifery / Children’s and General Integrated Programme as a Clinical instructor, Clinical Preceptor, registered Nurse / Midwife working in the clinical environment.
* Have acted as a preceptor to a Trinity College School of Nursing or Midwifery student in the clinical inpatients or community area.
* Have acted as a clinical inspiration / role model to a Trinity College School of Nursing and Midwifery student as part of their clinical practice within the degree programme.

In addition to the above criteria, candidates must not be members of staff of Trinity College.

**Nomination and Selection Process**

Nominations are welcomed from students or staff and must be submitted to Lena Doherty, Faculty Administrator for Health Sciences by **5pm, Thursday 20th February 2025**: ldohert@tcd.ie.

Nominations will be reviewed by a selection panel to include the Head of School of Nursing & Midwifery and four other members, two from the School of Nursing and Midwifery as nominated by the Head of School and two from the clinical setting as nominated by the Joint Working Group.

There will be a maximum of one award in the School of Nursing & Midwifery per year. If suitable winners are identified, the successful nominations will be proposed to the Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences who will make the final decision.

**Award Criteria**

Nominees will be assessed on evidence provided in their application from among the following three criteria:

1. Evidence of enhancing the student learning experience and providing insights into nursing and midwifery practice.
2. Evidence of promoting excellence in teaching in the practical setting.
3. Evidence of a multi-disciplinary approach to teaching in the clinical setting.

**School of Nursing & Midwifery Nomination Form**

**Please note: should your applicant be successful, text in this form may be used in promotional materials, including brochures, websites and social media channels.**

**ALL sections of the form must be completed.**

**Handwritten forms will not be accepted.**

**About the Nominee:**

**Full name and title of nominee:**

**Email of nominee:**

**Additional contact details of nominee (where possible):**

**Class(es) taught by nominee:**

**About the Nominator(s):**

**(If your nominee is successful we will contact you with the outcome and to invite you to the awards ceremony so please provide all details requested below, for all nominators)**

**Full name and title of nominator:**

**Email of nominator:**

**Are you Staff / Student?**

**(If there is more than one nominator, please copy and paste this box for each person)**

**Nominators must provide evidence for one or more of the following criteria. Please provide as much detail as possible – the text boxes are expandable (max one page per section).**

**1. Evidence of enhancing the student learning experience and providing insights into nursing and midwifery practice:**

**2. Evidence of promoting excellence in teaching in the practical setting:**

**3. Evidence of a multi-disciplinary approach to teaching in the clinical setting:**

**Any additional information to support your nomination:**