

# Excellence in Teaching Liberal Studies Award

The Excellence in Teaching Liberal Studies Award recognizes a faculty member for excellence in promoting significant student learning liberal studies courses on a regular basis. A cash award (a \$1,500 check) and a plaque are given to one recipient at Western Carolina University.

## Previous Winners:

2022-2023 Katharine Mershon

2021-2022: Benjamin Steere

2020-2021: Heidi Turlington

2019-2020: Heather Rimes

2018-2019: Kim Hall

## Eligibility and Nomination Process

Any full-time faculty member who has taught at Western Carolina University for at least one year may be nominated by a faculty member, department head, dean, or by self-nomination. Eligibility requires a minimum of four liberal studies courses/sections to have been taught at Western Carolina University prior to the semester in which nominations take place, as well as that they have not received this award in the preceding five years. Faculty members on scholarly leave are eligible but will still need to be observed in a teaching setting.

\*Nominations will be accessible through the Integrated University Awards Nominations process.

## Acceptance of Nomination

The chair of the award selection committee will notify the nominated faculty via email by the end of the fall semester. To accept the nomination, each nominee will need to submit a written statement to the

