Jon Daniel Teaching Award

The Jon Daniel Teaching Award, named in honor of Dr. Jon Daniel (1942-2009), is presented to one faculty member each year for their exemplary contribution to the education of UIC College of Dentistry students.

Selection for the award is based upon the recipient’s ability to:

- Engage students’ interest, curiosity, and motivation to learn;
- Challenge students to achieve breadth and depth in their understanding, and excellence in their skills;
- Support students in their learning by fostering clarity, meaningfulness, and confidence;
- Respond to student needs in ways that keep learning at the center of the educational enterprise.

Nomination Process:
A call for nominations will be sent to all students and faculty during the spring semester. Both students and faculty are eligible to nominate a faculty member for this award; a nomination for a single candidate may be submitted jointly by students, faculty or a combination of students & faculty. Using the nomination form provided, submissions should explain how the nominee fulfills the above criteria. Nominations are submitted to the Office of Faculty Affairs (OFA) electronically by the stated deadline (late March/early April). The OFA will provide the nomination forms to the Selection Committee. All nominations will be considered active for two years, unless withdrawn by the nominator.

Selection Process:
The recipient will be selected by a Selection Committee composed of up to 3 prior award winners and the current student ADEA representative. The committee generally meets in late March or early April of each year. All deliberations will be confidential. The results are transmitted to the Dean and Director for Faculty Affairs.

Award Presentation:
The Award is typically presented at a Spring Faculty Meeting. The winner receives a plaque and $1000, provided by the Dean. After the winner is notified, all nominees will also be notified of the honor of nomination.