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Teacher of the Year 2021 at the Study Board for Techno-Anthropology and Sustainable Design

Aalborg University wants to emphasize the great importance that good teaching has for our students and their learning process, and once a year a process is thus initiated to identify and pay tribute to the university's very best teachers.

The process begins in the university's study boards, wherein each study board a scientific employee is appointed Teacher of the Year. After this, one of these is named Teacher of the Year at each of the university's five faculties, and finally one Teacher of the Year is appointed at Aalborg University.

It is Aalborg University's students who have the responsibility and the opportunity to nominate possible candidates for the title of Teacher of the Year.

Nomination of candidates

Students at study programs under the Study Board for Techno-Anthropology and Sustainable Design are hereby encouraged to nominate candidates for the title of Teacher of the Year 2021 at the Study Board for Techno-Anthropology and Sustainable Design by preparing and submitting recommendations to this email: aarets-underviser-tb@plan.aau.dk no later than **Wednesday 28 April 2021**.

The title as Teacher of the Year 2021 relates to the academic year 2020/21, and relevant candidates are thus the teachers you have had in the Fall 20 semester or have in the current Spring 21 semester. Several students are welcome to prepare one joint nomination of a candidate if you wish to nominate the same lecturer for the title.

Based on the recommendations received on the above email, the student representatives at the study board will nominate a winner of the title of Teacher of the Year at the Study Board for Techno-Anthropology and Sustainable Design in May 2021.

In addition to the great honor and recognition of being chosen as Teacher of the Year, the winner will receive a cash gift of DKK 25,000 and is also nominated as a candidate for the title of Teacher of the Year at the Faculty of Engineering in IT and Design with the opportunity to end up being named Teacher of the Year at Aalborg University.

Criteria for use in preparing the nomination of candidates for Teacher of the Year

Aalborg University has appointed a number of criteria, which you as students can take advantage of when the choice of candidate for the title must be motivated and justified in a written recommendation.

Not all criteria may necessarily seem equally relevant in relation to the teacher you want to nominate. However, it is important that you carefully consider why your particular teacher is an excellent teacher who should be highlighted for his ability to communicate, motivate, and engage you and as minimum facilitate a good learning process based on the university's problem- and project-based learning model.

All types of teaching activities are relevant to include: supervision, lectures, group teaching, laboratory work, virtual activities, collaboration with companies, etc.

Please consider the following criteria / questions when you as a student prepare a written nomination of a candidate for the title of Teacher of the Year:

- Is the teacher / supervisor deeply committed to his / her teaching and supervision? Is it someone who is passionate about their subject and is able to pass on this enthusiasm to the students?
- Is the teacher able to apply the university's problem- and project-based learning model so that eminent learning, an extraordinarily high academic level and a great commitment among the students is created?
- Does the teacher / supervisor communicate his / her research in an inspiring and innovative way?
- Does the teacher / supervisor stimulate the students' independence and critical reflection?
- Ability of the teacher / supervisor to bring the relevance of the subject into play - e.g., by encouraging cooperation with external parties?
- Does the teacher / supervisor stimulate the students' curiosity and inspire the students to make an extraordinary effort?
- Does the teacher / supervisor make difficult material available to the students?
- Is the teacher a role model? One the students look up to both academically and personally?

We hope that you want to help nominate Teacher of the Year 2021 at the Study Board for Techno-Anthropology and Sustainable Design and hereby contribute to show our teachers how much our students appreciate their work.

We look forward to receiving your recommendations at aarets-underviser-tb@plan.aau.dk

On behalf of the student representatives at the Study Board for Techno-Anthropology and Sustainable Design.