The “Outstanding International Educator at NIU” award honors an NIU faculty or staff member who, over time, has significantly contributed to international education at NIU. The Division of International Affairs recognizes the awardee by providing a modest travel reimbursement of $500 to the faculty or staff member chosen for the year.

**Criteria**
The award recipient will have made sustained contributions over time to the enhancement of international education at NIU through teaching, research, artistry, public service, and/or student service efforts. Recipients will have made a lasting contribution by a combination of efforts such as:

- Influencing the internationalization of the curriculum
- Teaching courses with significant international content to large numbers of students
- Offering active and sustained involvement with NIU study abroad programs: teaching courses abroad, advising students about study abroad, engaging returned student abroad participants in their classes
- Offering active and sustained involvement with international students and scholars at NIU: advising, mentoring, or hosting international students, working with international student organizations, assisting the International Student & Faculty Office in their work with international students
- Demonstrating significant involvement with international exchange or training programs, including hosting international visitors and scholars
- Evidencing active and sustained international activity in research or artistry
- Providing continued contributions toward multicultural understanding

Staff members of the Division of International Affairs are not eligible for this award.

**Nominations**
- Outstanding International Educator Nomination Form
- A BRIEF curriculum vitae of the nominee
- A statement describing the nominee’s fulfillment of the criteria listed above

The nomination packet, including the nominee’s vitae, nomination statement and supporting documents, should be no longer than 10 pages.

Nominations (including self-nominations) will be solicited from the Council of Deans, department chairs, and all regular faculty and staff members. The deadline for submitting completed nominations is Friday, October 16, 2015.

The Selection Committee will identify the Outstanding International Educator before the beginning of International Week, November 16, 2015. The announcement of the awardee will be made at the International Recognition Reception on Tuesday, November 17, 2015, (3:00 – 4:00 p.m.) Holmes Student Center Sky Room.

**Nomination and Award Process**
The Selection Committee includes the Director of the Faculty Development and Instructional Design Center, who chairs the committee, two members of the International Affairs Advisory Council, two representatives from college offices, a previous recipient of the OIE, and a representative from International Affairs.

All nominees for the award will be invited to the International Recognition Reception during International Education Week, when the award will be announced. The award includes a plaque and citation presented by the Executive Vice President and Provost or designee, as well as a travel reimbursement.

**Accessing the Travel Award**
International Affairs will reimburse the award recipient for documented travel expenses up to $500 incurred by the start of the fall semester following receipt of the award. The travel to be reimbursed is expected to extend or enhance the awardee’s international activities, either in another country or in the US, for example for a conference on international topics.
Past Recipients of the Award

- Dr. Kuo-Huang Han, School of Music, 2001
- Dr. Ladd Thomas, Department of Political Science, 2001
- Dr. Tanuja Singh, Department of Marketing, 2002
- Dr. Susan Russell, Department of Anthropology, 2003
- Dr. Gene Roth, Department of Counseling, Adult & Higher Education, 2004
- Dr. Madan Annavarjula, Department of Management, 2005
- Dr. Dwight King, Department of Political Science, 2005
- Dr. Jorge Jeria, Department of Counseling, Adult & Higher Education, 2006
- Dr. Robert Self, Department of English, 2006
- Dr. Dan Weilbaker, Department of Marketing, 2007
- Dr. Daniel Kempton, Department of Political Science, 2008
- Dr. Gabriel Holbrook, Department of Biological Sciences, 2009
- Dr. J. D. Bowers, Department of History, 2010
- Prof. Jon Ashmann, School of Art, 2011
- Dr. Christopher M. Jones, Department of Political Science, University Honors, 2011
- Dr. Jeffrey Chown, Department of Communication, 2012
- Dr. Catherine Raymond, Center for Burma Studies and Department of Art History, 2013
- Dr. Trude Jacobsen, Department of History and Center for Southeast Asian Studies, 2014

Nomination form below
Outstanding International Educator at NIU Award
Nomination Form

Submit this form along with a curriculum vita and nomination statement that outlines the contributions and impact of the nominee to international education at NIU. The nomination packet should NOT exceed 10 pages. Incomplete nominations will be returned.

Send materials to: Outstanding International Educator Award Selection Committee, Division of International Affairs, Williston Hall 406.

Nominee Information:
Name: ____________________________________  Phone: _______________________
Dept: _________________________________  Rank: _______________________
E-mail: _________________________________  Fax: _______________________

Brief summary of nominee’s contributions to international education at NIU. Attach any supporting documents.

1. How has this educator influenced the internationalization of the curriculum?
2. Has this educator taught courses with significant international content to large numbers of students?
3. Has this educator offered active and sustained involvement with NIU Study Abroad Programs, such as teaching courses abroad, advising students about study abroad, engaging returned study abroad participants in their classes, etc.?
4. Has this educator offered active and sustained involvement with international students and scholars at NIU, such as advising, mentoring, or hosting international students, working with international student organizations, assisting the International Student & Faculty Office in their work with international students?
5. Has this educator demonstrated significant involvement with international exchange or training programs, including hosting international visitors and scholars?
6. Has this educator shown evidence of active and sustained international activity in research or artistry?
7. Has this educator provided continued contributions towards multicultural understanding?

Nominator Information:
Name: ____________________________________  Phone: _______________________
Dept: _________________________________  Rank: _______________________
E-mail: _________________________________  Fax: _______________________
Nominator signature: ________________________________________________________________________
Date: _____________

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