**UAB SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

**Joseph F. Volker Award**

**Outstanding Faculty Member**

# **Purpose:**

To acknowledge a faculty member who has demonstrated two or more of the following:

* Excellence in and dedication to teaching
* Distinctive research and other scholarly endeavors
* Notable service to the University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Health Professions, and/or the community-at-large

# **Eligibility:**

* Regular, full-time faculty member of the School of Health Professions for at least (3) years

# **Criteria for selection (two or more):**

* Excellence in and dedication to teaching, such as:
  + Distinctive teaching skills that are exemplified through fostering critical thinking; clear portrayal of conceptual interrelationships; and articulate, intellectually stimulating presentations
  + Fairness, open-mindedness, and accessibility to students
  + Devotion to guiding students in their individual intellectual development through the pursuit of truth
* Distinctive research and other scholarly endeavors, such as:
  + Accomplishment of original research contributing to advancement of knowledge in a health-related field
  + Publication of scholarly work(s)
  + Service in an editorial capacity for a publication of national repute
* Notable service to UAB, the School, the health professions, and/or the community-at-large, such as:
  + Contributions to the accomplishment of the missions and goals of the School and UAB
  + Contributions to the health professions in general or to the health profession in particular, including national leadership in a professional organization
  + Efforts to improve the health status of people at city, state, regional, national, or international levels

**Procedure:**

Nominations may be made by any full or part-time faculty or staff employed within the School of Health Professions. Submit the following to the SHP Honors and Recognition Committee.

* Nomination form including a summary describing ways in which the nominee meets one or more of the selection criteria (500 words or less).
* Letters of support (at least one but no more than 3) describing scholarly contributions. Include in letter(s) of support why person is deserving of this award.
* Nominee’s curriculum vitae.
* **Any other materials submitted to the committee will notbe reviewed.**

**Selection:**

The SHP Honors and Recognition Committee will select the recipient based on documentation submitted. The award will be made at the annual SHP Faculty and Staff Recognition luncheon.

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**NOMINATION FORM**

**Name of faculty being nominated:**

**Date of SHP Appointment:**

**Nominated by:**

**Date of Submission:**

**Summary of Nomination (500 words or less)**

Provide a concise, informative paragraph describing ways in which the nominee meets one or more of the selection criteria.