American Meat Science Association

Distinguished Teaching Award

Purpose: To recognize excellence in the teaching of undergraduate and graduate-level meat science.

Award: A memento will be provided to each honoree.

Eligibility: The nominee must:

1. Have demonstrated outstanding ability as a teacher of courses in meat science.
2. Be an active teacher during the year in which nominated and have been an active teacher for not less than five years. This does not exclude administrators, providing they were personally involved in classroom teaching during the year (excluding seminars). Where disability is involved, the nominee must have engaged in teaching within 36 months prior to the month of the award presentation.
3. Be judged as a teacher on the following bases:
   a. Ability to motivate and stimulate students.
   b. Evidence of interest in the improvement of teaching.
   c. Mastery of subject matter taught teaching techniques, vision, enthusiasm, and attitudes.
   d. Content and nature of the courses taught, including organization of subject matter, original contributions, ability to translate research into practical knowledge, and how the nominee has kept up with developments in meat science and related areas.
   e. Diversification of activities, such as but not limited to student counseling, judging team coaching, student training, student placement, service on departmental, college and university committee, etc.
   f. Involvement in extracurricular student-related activities beyond teaching and advising duties, such as adviser to student organizations, special lectures, talks, etc.
   g. Service to animal agriculture and related industries.

Materials to apply

1. AMSA Award Cover Form, Complete and attach the AMSA Cover Form associated with this award.
2. CV/Resume: Include a list of accomplishments, publications, patents, or other relevant achievements of the nominee *(Limited to two pages*).
3. Award Statement: The Award Statement should demonstrate how the individual fulfills the purpose and eligibility of the award and is deserving of the honor. *Maximum of two pages.*
4. Letters of Recommendation: Maximum of two letters may be attached for all awards. Letters should be from representatives of the institution/organization with which the nominee is affiliated (their administrators, colleagues, or associates) and other persons in the field of meat science and technology or the meat industry, citing the nominee's qualifications concerning the specific award description.
5. Top Achievements Form as the achievements apply to the purpose of this award.

Submit online Intent to Nominate by **January 28, 2026.**
Submit the completed application as one file (NameofNominee_AwardName) by **February 25, 2026**. More Information Online (AMSA Professional Award Documents and Submission)
Email all completed packets to AMSA Staff (information@meatscience.org)