

# **LINDBACK DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD GUIDELINES**

Revised December 2011

1. The Academic Recognition Committee has been established to receive and evaluate the nominations for the Lindback Distinguished Teaching Award (LDTA). Nominations may be made by individuals, groups, or departments or the University Community (no self-nomination). Both the nominator and the candidate must take responsibility for the preparation of a strong application. The recipient of the award will be honored at the December Commencement Ceremony and listed in the University catalogs.
2. The nominee(s) may be requested to appear before the committee.
3. No recipient can receive the LDTA more than once.
4. Individuals nominated for the LDTA must be currently employed by WCU and have been so employed for a period of five years.
5. Three copies of the application should be submitted.
6. Attach an explanation of how the award will further benefit the nominee's teaching and scholarly activities (budget explanation). A written report will be expected at the end of the year in which the award is announced.
7. The following criteria may be used by the nominator(s) in support of the candidate(s):
  - A. The development of a course(s) based upon innovative concepts and methodologies demonstrating new possibilities for a particular discipline or disciplines.
  - B. The development of an innovative method of teaching that significantly improves the learning process.
  - C. Demonstrated excellence in teaching sustained over at least five years and documented by colleagues from within and outside of one's department.

Dates

Nominations submitted by:	February 13, 2012
Announcement of Award:	May 2012
Presentation of Award:	December Commencement 2012
Award Benefits:	Certificate, \$4,000, listing in the University Catalogs