

2017-18 Dean's Awards

Faculty of Education



FACULTY OF EDUCATION

Dr. Gerald Galway: Dean's Award for Excellence in Teaching



Dr. Gerald Galway is a deserving candidate and exceeds all the requirements for this award. A professional, conscientious, diligent, competent and personable colleague, Gerald is praised as always having demonstrated an ethos of caring for both his students and the content of curriculum he was delivering.

Gerald's commitment and dedication to teaching is evident in the two dossiers submitted with his nomination which document his considerable involvement and contribution to teaching leadership, professional development, teaching effectiveness and curriculum development and research. Dr. Galway is a scholar's scholar with an extensive record of publications.

He possesses a long-term dedication to education, and has always been aware of the need for academic and personal links between the department and the faculty. He is praised for his strong knowledge of pedagogy and our province's school curriculum, while also recognized for his commitment to students and to the integrity of teaching. Student feedback in regards to Gerald, illustrates the high level of appreciation students hold for Gerald's approach in the classroom.

Dr. Galway represents the best of what a collaborative expert instructor should be. He is a model of how an exemplary teacher should interact with colleagues in support of improving instruction among us all. Gerald is the kind of teacher and leader that we look for in all educational settings.

Ms. Sheri Roberts: Dean's Staff Award for Service Excellence



Sheri Roberts embodies the qualities that everyone looks for in an employee – commitment, resourcefulness, dedication, collegiality and self-motivation. Sheri has been a key asset to the Faculty of Education, bringing knowledge, experience and expertise to her position. On a daily basis, she ensures a positive, supportive environment for students, their professors and the co-operators teachers. Sheri is held in high esteem and is considered the faculty goddess on one hand and the face of the staff to the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District. She has brought to her position a wealth of experience and we are fortunate to have her.

Along with her job, Sheri is committed to life-long learning in her personal life and is currently in the process of completing a Master's degree in Counselling and Psychology. She has taken her knowledge gained through this endeavour and applied it to become a mental health advocate for students.

Sheri has served on several faculty committees, is responsible for the many Teacher Recruitment fairs and maintains a role on the NLTA organizing committee. Each term she manages to organize the placement of hundreds of graduates at schools near and far and plays an instrumental role in the development of new generations of teachers. Her professional and caring demeanour is described as exceptional.

Ms. Jill Gosse: Dean's Staff Award for Service Excellence



Jill Gosse is an integral part of the Faculty of Education. Her dedication to students and the successful delivery of programs are obvious and she is known for going the extra mile. Her knowledge is superb and her integrity unquestionable. While she quietly goes about her job, she gets the job done. One supporter said she is the hardest working employee at Memorial.

Jill is described as conscientious, reliable, thorough and extremely organized. While she is praised highly by her nominators for her keen knowledge of regulations, she is also recognized for understanding the spirit and intent of them.

Students treat Jill with respect and care because they know they can come to her for advice or with questions. Her advice is sound, making her a trusted advisor. But along with her professionalism she is considered kind and helpful and a great team player, eagerly offering assistance to coworkers.

Jill has played a critical role in the graduate office at the Faculty of Education and everyone has come to rely on her knowledge and versatility to support students, colleagues and faculty. Jill was described by one of her nominators as a splendid example of the best inclinations of humanity and a key person in the circle of care within our faculty.