



Above and Beyond in 2020

Guidelines for Award

Above and Beyond in 2020 is a one-off award scheme that seeks to recognise and acknowledge the remarkable achievements of University of Queensland staff pivoting to support students' learning under unprecedented circumstances in Semester 1 2020.

As COVID-19 and ever-changing Public Health guidelines required us to work and learn from home, UQ's Teachers worked tirelessly to ensure that the learning experiences, for which the University is renowned, were impacted as little as possible.

In spirit, this award endeavours to acknowledge as many UQ staff as are nominated. The names of all supported nominees for this award will be publicly displayed in an Honour Roll. The Honour Roll will be made available online and as a physical artefact. Additionally, all listed on the *Above and Beyond In 2020* Honour Roll will receive a letter acknowledging their achievement and thanking them for their contributions from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic).

Eligibility

All UQ Staff involved in Teaching and Supporting Learning in Semester 1, 2020 are eligible to be nominated for this Award. This includes professional and academic staff whether continuing, part-time, casual, or adjunct.

Teams are also eligible for nomination.

Assessment Criteria

Nominators are reminded that this nomination should detail what the nominee has done to address the challenges presented.

Possible examples of practice might include how a staff member or team:

- addressed and managed the transition to online (or multi-modal) environments
- supported students to transition to learning from home
- created and supported an inclusive community within their classes
- designed equitable learning experiences for students in Semester 1 2020 when compared with the learning experiences of past cohorts
- developed innovative ways for students and teachers to connect and learn

Note: This list is not exhaustive and nominators are welcome to identify any other areas of practice where teaching and teaching support staff have gone above and beyond.

Nomination process:

This is a nomination only award. All UQ Staff and Students are invited to nominate a UQ Staff Member for a place on the honour roll by submitting an online application form by the **4 September 2020**.

Nomination components

Nominations for the *Above and Beyond in 2020* Honour Roll should focus on the core achievements of staff that have taken place in Semester 1 2020 only.

The Nomination is required to include the following components:

- Name (of person submitting the nomination)



- Category of Nomination: (Student nomination/ Peer nomination)
- Name of Nominee:
- Nominee's School:
- Short Written Statement (maximum of 200 words) outlining why the nominee should be included on the *Above and Beyond in 2020* Honour Roll.

Selection Process

It is intended that all nominees be acknowledged.

At the close of the application period, a list of local nominees will be sent to Faculties and Schools for recommendation to the University Teaching and Learning Committee. The list of recommended nominees must be returned to the Teaching Awards officer (e. teaching.awards@uq.edu.au) by **18 September 2020**.

On receipt, names of all endorsed nominees will be collated and forwarded to the University Teaching and Learning Committee for endorsement. If endorsed, the names of nominees and a rationale supporting their acknowledgement will be sent to senior executive or equivalent for Award.

Only those nominees who have the support of their Heads of School/ Faculty/ Institute (as relevant) will be recognised in the Honour Roll.

Key Dates

Nominations Open	25 June 2020
Nominations Close	4 September 2020
School/ Faculty/ Institutes Recommendations Due	18 September 2020
Honour Roll published	2 November 2020

Nomination Portal

Nominations for the *Above and Beyond in 2020* Honour Roll can be submitted here:

https://uqawards.smapply.io/prog/above_and_beyond_in_2020/