

STUDENT SENATE BYLAWS
CHAPTER XIV
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE WEEK AWARDS

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

The purpose of this chapter is to ensure that the academic achievement of students and the effective instruction of faculty members, graduate assistants, research assistants and teachings assistants are publicly and formally recognized. The honorees shall be those who have fostered superior academic achievement within the student body. This recognition builds community throughout UNC and provides inspiration and motivation to the students, faculty, and staff of UNC.

SECTION 2: ELIGIBILITY

- A. Professor: Any individual that officially teaches at least one course (graduate or undergraduate) through UNC.
- B. Faculty Advisor: Any faculty member that has at least two UNC students that they formally advise on academic matters.
- C. Graduate Assistant/Teaching Assistant/Research Assistant (GA/TA/RA): Any graduate student at UNC that is compensated to perform administrative and professional duties for UNC and/or instructional support for a UNC class.
- D. Undergraduate Student: Any member of the undergraduate student body.
- E. Graduate Student: Any member of the graduate student body.

SECTION 3: AWARDS AND PROCESS

- A. There shall be an award given for each of the categories listed in SECTION 2 at the Student Senate Banquet.
- B. To be honored with this award an individual must first be nominated by a member of the student body.
- C. Nomination forms will be made available at least one month prior to the banquet by the Director of Academic Affairs.
- D. The Director of Student Affairs shall form a committee to review the nominations. This committee shall be comprised of:
 - 1. Director of Academic Affairs – Chair (voting only in case of a tie)
 - 2. Student Rights Advocate (non-voting)
 - 3. Four UNC students, two of whom must be undergraduate students and two of whom must be graduate students.
- E. All nominations will be due to the Director of Academic Affairs two weeks before the banquet.
- F. Each nomination shall be coded by the Student Rights Advocate to avoid any bias in choosing the honorees.
- G. The committee shall review the coded nominations and choose one from each category to be the honoree.
- H. The Director of Academic Affairs shall announce the honorees at the Student Senate Banquet.

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