OT Preceptor, PT Clinical Instructor and SLP Clinical Instructor of the Year Awards

The OT Preceptor of the Year Award, PT Clinical Instructor Award and the SLP Clinical Instructor of the Year Award seek to recognize the commitment to excellence and outstanding contributions to the educational development of future occupational, physical therapists and speech language pathologists at the School of Rehabilitation Science, McMaster University. Below are the Criteria and Procedures to nominate a preceptor for the award.

**Eligibility** (will be verified by the Director of Clinical Education):

1. Must have been a clinical preceptor for minimum of three (3) years.
2. Must have not received the award within the last five (5) years; attention will be given to previous nominations.

# **Nominations**

Nominations will be accepted from current and former students or clinical faculty colleagues. No self-nominations will be accepted. Nominators are required to provide a 250 word or more nomination letter outlining the ways in which the nominee fulfills the criteria. .

# **Criteria**

1. The OT Preceptor of the Year, the PT Clinical Instructor of the Year and the SLP Clinical Instructor of the Year will demonstrate **high standards of professionalism**. This may be demonstrated through, for example:
   1. Employment of mutual respect, patience and a constructive/ positive attitude with students, colleagues, and other health professionals.
   2. Demonstration of breadth of knowledge and clinical expertise in the area of clinical practice.
   3. Demonstration of evidence-based practice and client-centred approach to practice.
   4. Demonstration of excellence in role modelling client and team interaction.
2. The OT Preceptor of the Year, the PT Clinical Instructor of the Year and the SLP Clinical Instructor of the Year will demonstrate **commitment to students as a professional mentor**. This may be demonstrated by, for example:
   1. Provision of regular, constructive feedback, encouragement, and support.
   2. Ability to work with students to establish goals, expectations, and valuable learning activities for the placement.
   3. Consistently works with students in clinical placements over time.
   4. Consistently excellent / outstanding evaluations by students.
   5. Enthusiasm for his/her role as clinical educator.
3. The OT Preceptor of the Year, the PT Clinical Instructor of the Year and the SLP Clinical Instructor of the Year will demonstrate a **spirit of cooperation with the School of Rehabilitation Science**. This may be demonstrated by, for example:
   1. Presence at preceptor meetings and workshops.
   2. Open communication between the preceptor and the school.
   3. Flexibility in accepting students.
   4. Timeliness and quality of documentation.
   5. Enthusiasm for working with students.
   6. Recognition of and support for problem-based learning.

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Nomination Form

The Awards Committee of the SRS is pleased to receive nominations from current and former students or clinical faculty colleagues who have identified a candidate to receive the award.

# **Nominee Information**

Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:

**Organizational Contact:**

For each nominee, a letter will be sent to a contact within the person’s organization, sharing news that the preceptor has been nominated for the award. Please provide the name and address for the person within the nominee’s organization who should receive this letter.

Name:

Title:

Address:

# **Nominator Information**

Name:

Organization:

Phone:

E-mail:

**Nomination Letter**