

2009 NACTA Teaching Awards
Call for Nominations for-
NACTA Teacher Fellow
NACTA Regional Outstanding Teacher Award
NACTA Teaching Award of Excellence
NACTA Graduate Student Teaching Award
NACTA John Deere Award



NACTA recognizes and honors those individuals whose efforts represent the very best in the teaching of agriculture, environmental, natural or life sciences at the post-secondary level. Please assist NACTA in accomplishing this goal by submitting nominations for the following awards.

NACTA Teacher Fellow: nominees must be engaged in classroom teaching (at least 25%) in agricultural disciplines for at least five of the past seven years prior to being nominated. The nominee must have an individual NACTA membership. Recipients receive a plaque.

NACTA Regional Outstanding Teacher Award: nominees must have received a NACTA Teacher Fellow Award two years prior (received 2007 or earlier). Nominees must have an individual NACTA membership. Recipients receive a plaque and \$1,000.

NACTA Teaching Award of Excellence: nominees must have received a NACTA Teacher Fellow Award five years prior (received 2004 or earlier) and a Regional Outstanding Teacher Award (2006 or earlier). Nominees must have an individual NACTA membership. Recipients receive a plaque and \$1,500.

Nomination materials for the **Teacher Fellow, Regional Outstanding Teacher Awards, and NACTA Teaching Award of Excellence:** must include the instructor's teaching philosophy; evaluation by students, alumni, peers, and administrators; factors such as availability to students, and teaching innovations. Related points are also considered.

NACTA Graduate Student Teaching Award: nominees must be involved in classroom instruction in the agricultural disciplines (including laboratory and discussion sections) for a minimum of one year (two semesters or three quarters) prior to receiving the award. The nominee must currently be a graduate student member of NACTA. Nomination materials must include the graduate student's teaching philosophy; evaluation by supervising faculty students, alumni, peers, and administrators and activities related to teaching but taking place outside the classroom (clubs, review sessions, committees, etc.). Recipients receive a plaque.

NACTA John Deere Award: recognizes outstanding teachers in (at least 25% teaching for five years prior to receiving the award) programs of agricultural business, technology and/or management at post-secondary institutions. Nominees need not be NACTA Teacher Fellows, but the nominee must currently have a NACTA active membership. Nomination materials must include the instructor's teaching philosophy; evaluation by students, alumni and administrators; an outline of the entire agricultural program including course descriptions and objectives; a summary of the placement records of recent graduates (last three years), and evidence of continuing professional development. Recipients receive a plaque and \$1,000 (\$500 to the individual and \$500 to the institution).

All recipients are expected to attend the 2009 NACTA Conference.

For complete nomination instructions and forms refer to the NACTA website: www.NACTAteachers.org or contact:

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Postmark deadline for all nomination materials is March 1, 2009.

