

Preceptors of the Year Awards

To be awarded at the Annual Preceptors' Dinner

Deadline for receipt of nominations (see announcements)

Description

The Preceptors of the Year Awards include two awards that are presented annually by the Lebanese American University (LAU) School of Pharmacy to two preceptors in forms of recognition plaques. One award is given to a Lebanon-based preceptor who is nominated by current P3 students, and another award given to a U.S.- or Lebanon-based preceptor who is nominated by current P4 students.

Objective

The awards recognize preceptors who are adjunct faculty members of the LAU School of Pharmacy who have shown exemplary commitment and exceptional contributions to the education, mentoring and role modeling for P3 and P4 students during their experiential education on clerkship rotations.

Eligibility and Qualifications

To be eligible for the awards, nominees must:

1. Currently be serving as a preceptor in Lebanon or the U.S. clerkship sites
2. Have not previously received the LAU Preceptor of the Year Award within the last three years
3. Meet a combination of the following professional and personal qualifications, but not necessarily in all categories:
 - Advanced Mentoring Skills:** demonstrates effective and skilled communication, establishes clear rotation goals and expectations, encourages student self-directed learning and critical thinking
 - Professional Expertise:** demonstrates advanced knowledge and professional expertise in the respective area of pharmacy practice
 - Commitment to Excellence:** is committed to excellence in patient care and active engagement in professional service
 - Collaboration:** plays a role model for collaboration with the healthcare team and interdisciplinary approach to patient care
 - Positive Learning Environment:** provides constructive, timely, factual, solution-focused feedback and assists students to work through challenging experiences
 - Accessibility:** is accessible to students through presence on site and active communication
 - High Standards of Professionalism:** shows respect, patience, and positive attitude and consistently displays high ethical and moral standards

- Leadership:** demonstrates the attributes of a visionary individual with advanced problem-solving, decision-making, and priority-setting approaches
- Excellent Evaluations:** has consistent superior students evaluations
- Cooperation:** displays cooperation and active involvement with the school through attending meetings and workshops, open communication, and flexibility in accepting and working with students

Nomination Process

- Current P3 students nominate one Lebanon-based preceptor per academic year for the award
- Current P4 students nominate one U.S.- or Lebanon-based preceptor per academic year for the award
- Students provide a completed checklist of the professional and personal qualifications of the preceptor as per #3 above
- Students provide any other supportive evidence or information (e.g., share a story) deemed necessary for the nomination
- All nominations and supportive information are received electronically by the Director of Experiential Education through an electronic survey system that is sent out by the School of Pharmacy

Selection Process

All nominations will be reviewed by the Experiential Education Subcommittee. Two preceptors from Lebanon and/or the U.S. will be selected to receive the award every year. The Director of Experiential Education will submit the Subcommittee's decision to the School Academic Council for review and final approval. The decision of the School Academic Council is final.