

The College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

Call for nominations for the

2026 Dean's Staff Excellence Award

The Dean's Staff Excellence Award is the College's most prestigious staff honor, presented annually to an exemplary staff member who has demonstrated dedicated years of service within higher education and the College of Liberal Arts & Science and who personifies the IRISE values: Integrity, Respect, Innovation, Stewardship, and Excellence.

Eligibility:

Faculty and staff members are invited to nominate a staff member in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences (CLAS) or to self-nominate.

Criteria:

Please use the form below to explain why you feel this nominee deserves to be awarded the Dean's Staff Excellence Award. Please use specific examples of their meaningful contributions of service to discuss the impact the nominee has had on higher education and the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences at the University of Kansas.

The aim of the Dean's Staff Excellence Award is to recognize an outstanding staff member who personifies the IRISE values: Integrity, Respect, Innovation, Stewardship, and Excellence. The recipient of this award is someone who selflessly gives of their time and experience and who has built and maintained collaborative relationships within the College and across other schools and units demonstrating continuous effort towards the University of Kansas' mission "To educate leaders, build healthy communities, and make discoveries that change the world."

Deadline and Nomination Procedure:

Please use the form on the next page for your nomination. Complete nominations must be submitted to collegeawards@ku.edu by **5 p.m. on February 13, 2026**.

Please include the award name and nominee name in the subject line of the email.

Dean's Staff Excellence Award Nomination Form

Nominator's Name: _____

Departmental Affiliation: _____

Nominator's E-Mail: _____

Nominee's Name: _____

Department: _____ Title: _____

Nominee's E-Mail: _____

Nominee's Years of Service (*to be completed following submission by dean's office*): _____

Narrative: - please type, add additional pages if necessary

Why do you feel that this nominee deserves to be awarded the Dean's Staff Excellence Award?