This is an award given every other year to one faculty or staff member or collaborative team of people at each of the eight Utah System of Higher Education (USHE) institutions who have a clearly identified and well-conceived innovative strategy they wish to implement that leads to undergraduate student success.

Goals

- Reward an innovative strategy leading to student success that is likely to be highly effective and replicable and which can be launched, augmented or advanced with an investment of $5,000
- Highlight the work of innovators to develop a culture of innovation among Utah’s institutions of higher education
- Draw attention to effective innovations at USHE institutions

The awardee or awardee team at each USHE institution will receive $10,000: $5,000 direct award to the faculty/staff member(s) (split equally between team members if a team is the awardee) and $5,000 to be placed in an institutional account for the staff/faculty awardee or awardee team for the advancement of the highlighted innovation (Innovation Implementation and Augmentation Fund). Nominations of an awardee team shall clearly identify the individual member of the team who will be designated to serve as the person managing the Innovation Implementation and Augmentation Fund for the team.

Timeline for 2015 Grant Cycle

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Directions: Completed nomination forms are due on January 5, 2015, to your institutional Chief Academic Officer (CAO) or Chief Student Services Officer (CSSO) with Chair or Division Head approval signature completed.

Date of Nomination Institution of Nominee/Team

Nominee/Nominee Team (specify all Team Member Names and Team Contact if a Team is identified)

Email Address of Nominee or Designated Team Contact Daytime Phone
College/Department Years at Institution Years in Higher Education

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*Specify contact details for all team members and designate a Team Contact if a team is nominated.

Nomination Submitted by:
Nominator Nominator Email Daytime Phone
Position/Title Relationship to Nominee(s)

Nominee Signature(s) ____________________________ Nominator Signature ____________________________

Institutional Support/Signatures (electronic signature accepted if forwarded from known e-mail account). Presidential signature required ONLY for the TWO nominees selected by the institution from which Alan E. Hall will select ONE finalist for the Award.

Division/Department Chairperson Chief Academic Officer/Chief Student Services Officer

President

NOTE: Supporting materials for only two nominees (or nominee teams) per USHE institution may be forwarded by the institution’s President’s office to the Associate Commissioner of Academic and Student Affairs (ehitch@ushe.edu) by February 2, 2015.
Nominee/Nomination Team Name(s):

Part I: Innovation Description, including anticipated or documented contribution to undergraduate student success (100 words)

Part II: Assessment Data that will be collected to demonstrate innovation success or data that is currently available for an innovation that is to be advanced under this award (100 words)

Part III: Description of how the Innovation Implementation/Augmentation Funds will be used to advance the innovation (100 words)