

**SISTER MARY CLARE HUGHES ENDOWED CHAIR  
FOR EXCELLENCE IN HEALTH CARE AND NATURAL SCIENCES**

**Purpose**

This award recognizes the outstanding contributions of a faculty member whose actions directly impact students seeking a career in health care. The impact of student learning outcomes at all stages of educational attainment will be considered.

**Eligibility**

Full-time faculty. Joint proposals will not be reviewed or awarded.

**Application**

The application portfolio must include:

- A brief (no more than three double-spaced pages) narrative description of a project that has been undertaken by faculty in health care and/or natural sciences. Include supporting evidence regarding the project's impact in the following categories:
  - Health education in the community
  - Innovation in areas such as teaching, recruiting, retention or training health care workers or in the natural sciences.
- Letters of support from three people who have worked with the candidate. The letters submitted will be from the following:
  - One student
  - One coworker
  - One community member
- The candidates' curriculum vitae

**Application Submission**

Application portfolio will be submitted to the Office of the Associate Vice President of Liberal Arts annually. Specific timelines will be announced each fall semester.

**Nominating Committee**

The nominating committee consists of faculty members appointed by the Executive Vice President for Instruction & Student Services working in cooperation with The Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning.

**Award**

- \$1,000
- For those who put forth a presentation proposal, to the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) conference costs will be paid for by the College. The proposal does not have to be accepted.
- Recognition during convocation the year in which the award is given.