



## AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN STUDY AWAY PROGRAMMING NOMINATION PROCESS

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### Qualifications:

Excellent leadership in developing study away programs; excellent fostering of study away; and/or excellent teaching of study away courses.

### Eligibility:

Open to all Missouri State full-time faculty, tenured, tenure-track, or non-tenure track, whose work included directing a program in the 2020-2021 academic year.

### Award Features:

Trophy presented at the All Faculty Recognition Reception in the spring of 2022; permanent recognition on a plaque in the Study Away Programs Office; and \$1,500 in professional development funds.

To nominate a Study Away Program Director for the Award for Excellence, simply send an email with the nominee's name to *Elizabeth Strong, Director, Study Away Programs*, at [ElizabethStrong@MissouriState.edu](mailto:ElizabethStrong@MissouriState.edu). The deadline to submit a nomination is *October 22, 2021*.

# I. AWARD CRITERIA

## Cultural Competence Award:

*Recognizes faculty members whose programs directly address the recognition and respect of multiple perspectives and cultures*

- Did the faculty member's program *promote cultural awareness of self and others* by describing beliefs, perspectives, and behaviors acquired through cultural immersion in different societies? Did the program require students to self-evaluate their own cultural norms in relation to cultural norms on-site?
- Did the faculty member *examine and articulate both differences and similarities* between the students' native cultural practices and the host site cultural practices?
- Did the faculty member *encourage belief in the importance of interaction* with people of diverse cultures and backgrounds?
- Did the faculty member *model respectful consideration of different cultural viewpoints, and encourage students to develop an awareness of difference* that may be integrated into individual and culturally-developed belief systems?

## Community Engagement Award:

*Recognizes faculty members whose programs enable students to participate in an organized service activity that meets reciprocally identified community needs*

- Did the faculty member's program include an *organized service activity* that met a *reciprocally identified community need*?
- Did the faculty member enable the group to *integrate their academic knowledge by making relevant connections from academics to personal and civic participation* in the host community?
- Did the faculty member facilitate reflection on the service activity in such a way to *enable students to further understand course content, a broader appreciation of the discipline, and an enhanced sense of personal values and civic responsibility*?
- Did the faculty member *challenge students* to clarify and reconsider their *role as citizens*?

