**Cognella Innovation in Teaching Award for Family Science Application**

**Nominee Information**

Name:

Address:

Office phone:

Email address:

College/university affiliation:

Current teaching position (including academic rank):

Tenure status:

Current teaching load (credit hours per semester):

Number of years of full-time teaching experience:

Part-time teaching experience (including dates and locations):

Date doctoral degree conferred:

NCFR member since:

**Award Criteria**

Nominees must meet or exceed the following criteria:

* Demonstrates significant innovation in teaching diversity issues, ethics and values, family stress and crisis, family life education, parenting, and sociology and the family
* Actively promotes and implements innovative teaching practices
* Acts as a role model for creating and sustaining a culture of creativity
* Motives students to learn and stimulates interest in the discipline
* Demonstrates innovations that have influenced the methods and teaching effectiveness of other faculty
* Utilizes best practices and/or unique use of technology in teaching

**Teaching Innovation Summary**

Describe how the award nominee (either you or a peer) has contributed to teaching innovation and excellence in Family Science education. (500 words maximum)

**Student Benefits Statement**

Describe how students have directly benefited from an innovation the nominee has implemented in their department or course. (500 words maximum)

**Needs Statement**

Please state why this award is needed to support the nominee’s ongoing teaching efforts, as well as the amount of support currently available to them from other sources, including department funds, grants, etc. (200 words maximum)

**Innovation Sharing Statement**

If the nominee plans to attend the NCFR 2018 Annual Meeting, how do you feel their attendance will contribute to helping other faculty discover and implement innovative teaching practices? (200 words maximum)

**Attachments**

**All applications must include the following materials for consideration.** If any of these materials are missing, the application is incomplete and will not be evaluated.

* A complete award application (this form)
* One letter of reference from each of the following (3 letters in total):
  + A colleague
  + A former or current student
  + An administrator or supervisor
    - Each letter must reflect the stated award criteria for consideration, including relevant examples of innovative teaching practices exercised by the nominee
* A personal statement that includes:
  + A description of specific teaching innovations employed by the nominee
  + Background information about the origin of the innovation idea(s)
  + Examples of how the innovative practices have benefited students
    - This statement should not exceed two pages, double-spaced – approximately 1,000 words
* An up-to-date Curriculum Vitae for the nominee

In sum, all applicants should submit a total of six (6) documents for consideration.

**Application Submission**

When you’ve gathered *all* the required materials to submit, please send the materials *in sum* to [award@cognella.com](mailto:award@cognella.com).

If you have any questions regarding the application process, please feel free to email the award team at [award@cognella.com](mailto:award@cognella.com).