

**Nomination for Gary J. Hunter Excellence in Mentoring Award**

Due in the AFT Office, Robinson Hall, Room 114

By noon on Friday, February 14, 2014

**Nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Department or Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Your Position (student, administrator, faculty, prof. staff, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Your Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason for Nomination**

In no more than 1,000 words, describe how the nominee's mentoring has enhanced students' education, professional and personal development. In this nomination, explain your relationship to the nominee and why he/she has distinguished him/herself as a mentor. Consult the award criteria for possible qualities that you may want to cite. Share specific stories and anecdotes, as appropriate.

**Thank you** for your nomination.

## **Gary J. Hunter Excellence in Mentoring Award – Call for Nominations**

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The American Federation of Teachers at Rowan University calls for nominees for the annual Gary J. Hunter Award for Excellence in Mentoring Rowan University students. We seek to recognize AFT members (faculty, professional staff, coaches and librarians) who go to extraordinary lengths to mentor students. Gary J. Hunter, a professor of history at Rowan for 29 years, exemplified the ideals of mentorship. This award acknowledges the efforts of those who mentor students in that spirit, making sure that while such efforts often go unnoticed, they do not go unappreciated.

The award plus an honorarium will be presented annually to the person whose efforts are judged by the selection committee to epitomize excellence in mentoring. By honoring individuals for their concerns for students, these mentors can serve as models for the entire University.

The recipients of the award will be honored [at the University Awards Ceremony](#).

### **Criteria for Award**

A fulfilling education and successful professional and career development is dependent on the mentoring relationships students form as part of the Rowan community. The sole criterion for this award is extraordinary mentoring. Nomination of a Rowan community member for the **Gary J. Hunter Excellence in Mentoring Award** should describe how the mentor has been exceptional in supporting, encouraging and promoting education, research, personal, career and professional development in students. Specific examples supporting nominations are encouraged. Nominees must be full AFT Members.

The following are just some of the qualities that can contribute to good mentoring. *These are listed in no particular order of importance, and a nominee need not demonstrate all these qualities:*

- Fosters development from student to citizen
- Promotes the intellectual development of students
- Shows concern for students as people and support of their personal development
- Sponsors students in academic/professional/local endeavors and elsewhere
- Develops talents, such as research skills, teaching ability, presentations, writing, preparation of grant and fellowship applications, etc.
- Organizes an effective environment for research and scholarship
- Serves as an advocate and guide in administrative, organizational and professional matters
- Provides sound holistic advice
- Sustains a long-term commitment to mentoring. Evaluation Selection Committee membership shall consist of at least 3 and no more than 5 AFT members from the following groups: faculty, professional staff, coaches, and librarians, with representation from different areas recommended.
- Members of the Selection Committee are ineligible to nominate for the award.