

Nominations for the Distinguished Teacher Award Sarah Mabrouk

There is no packet of forms to fill out in order to make nominations for the 2004 Northeastern Section of the Mathematical Association of America (NES/MAA) Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics: you create the nomination packet with various letters written by those familiar with the candidate's teaching/research/publications. The eligibility and nomination requirements as well as some hyperlinks to help you in creating the nomination packet are listed below.

The eligibility requirements are

- college or university teachers who currently teach a mathematical science at least half-time during the academic year in a public or private college or university in the United States or Canada (those on approved leave (sabbatical or other) during the academic year in which they are nominated qualify if they fulfilled the requirements in the previous year),
- at least five years experience in teaching a mathematical science, and
- has membership in the Mathematical Association of America and is teaching in the Northeastern Section,

and the nomination requirements,

- widely recognized as extraordinarily successful in his/her teaching,
- has teaching effectiveness that can be documented,
- has influence in teaching beyond his/her own institution, and
- fosters curiosity and generates excitement about mathematics in students.

Nominations for the 2004 NES/MAA Award for Distinguished College of University Teaching of Mathematics are due by October 30, 2003, and the winner of the Section's award for distinguished teaching is then nominated for the Deborah and Franklin Tepper Haimo Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics. General information for the distinguished teaching can be found on the NES/MAA website,

<http://www.southernct.edu/organizations/nestmaa/sectionawards.html#NES/MAA%20Teaching%20Award>, as well as on the MAA website http://www.maa.org/Awards/CFN_Template.html (currently the 2003 nomination information is posted on this page but you may find it helpful). Information about the nomination process as well as about the National award can be found on the MAA website,

- <http://www.maa.org/Awards/teachingawards.htm>
- http://www.maa.org/Awards/Haimo_EGN.pdf (general guidelines/eligibility information)
- http://www.maa.org/Awards/Haimo_NF.pdf (nomination form).

Nominations must be submitted on the nomination form that can be found at

http://www.maa.org/Awards/CFN_Template.html (should be updated later) and nominations should include no more than five letters of recommendation of no more than one page each,

- two letters from present or former students
- two letters from colleagues one of whom could be the department chair, and
- one additional letter from anyone qualified to comment on extraordinary teaching success.

In addition to these letters, the nomination should include a narrative describing the nominee's background, experience, teaching style, special contributions, other teaching awards, evidence of unusual/extraordinary achievement/success in teaching; this narrative should be no more than five double spaced pages.

Additional documentation on the nominee's teaching success including but not limited to summaries of peer or student teaching evaluations, comments on teaching, possible increases in the number of undergraduate/graduate degrees in mathematics directly related to the nominee, and student successes in mathematics competitions may be included on no more than three additional pages.

It is important to note that the Nomination Form, http://www.maa.org/Awards/Haimo_NF.pdf contains a note that states that "if the nomination packet significantly exceeds the prescribed limits" then "it will not be eligible for consideration for a national award." Since the nomination packet for the Section award will be forwarded to MAA for consideration for the National award, it is important to consider this caution and not exceed "the prescribed limits."

Once you have compiled the information and letters for the nomination packet, please send the completed packet to Sarah Mabrouk at Framingham State College before the October 30, 2003 deadline. Once you have mailed the packet to

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please call, 508-626-4785, or email, smabrouk@frc.mass.edu, to confirm the receipt of the nomination packet. The nomination process will not be complete until you have received confirmation that the completed nomination packet has been received. Please send any questions that you may have to Sarah Mabrouk at smabrouk@frc.mass.edu or call her at 508-626-4785.