

**The University of Mary's  
Outstanding Physical Therapy  
Clinical Educator Of The Year Award  
Nomination Form**

Recognizing that many clinical educators provide outstanding servant leadership and excel in the mentorship and clinical education of students, the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at UMary has established the Outstanding Clinical Educator Award. For this year's award, we would like your help in identifying clinical educators who have provided outstanding support to physical therapy students. Nominations are open to students upon completion of a clinical experience and DPT program faculty.

IN RECOGNITION of outstanding leadership, mentorship and teaching abilities, in providing clinical education to physical therapy students, I make the following nomination:

Nominee's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's email address \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Facility \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the practice setting and job responsibilities of the nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

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Using a rating scale of **1-5 (with 5 being the highest)**, please rate the nominee on the following characteristics:

Knowledge	1	2	3	4	5
Teaching/Mentoring skills	1	2	3	4	5
Communication Skills	1	2	3	4	5
Leadership	1	2	3	4	5
Professionalism	1	2	3	4	5
Flexibility	1	2	3	4	5

**Please complete a narrative statement of support detailing why the nominee is deserving of the Clinical Educator of the Year Award. Please address the following selection criteria:**

- 1. Designs interactive teaching/learning strategies with students to model and mold excellence in the clinical setting
- 2. Maintains an attitude of service and a passion for therapy when interacting with patients, colleagues, and students
- 3. Is able to work with students at varying levels of experience and skill and adapts his/her teaching style to meet student needs.
- 4. Demonstrates the Benedictine Values of Service, Respect, Hospitality, Community, Moderation, and/or Prayer along with the Core APTA values: Accountability, Altruism, Respect, Professional Duty, Social Responsibility, Compassion/Caring, Excellence, Integrity.
- 5. Has supervised at least 3 UMary physical therapy students over a course of 10 years time,
- 6. Keeps informed of the UMary Physical Therapy curriculum and policies and provides feedback to DCE on a consistent basis.
- 7. The nominee must be a member of the APTA, and it is recommended that they also be APTA credentialed as a clinical instructor.
- 8. It is recommended that the nominee be involved inUMary program activities (integrated clinicals, self-study visits, advisory committee). I assume they must be APTA members?
- 9. Takes initiative to promote knowledge of current issues in their area of practice through self-study, and/or attendance at workshops, seminars, etc.

**Supporting statement: (or attach separately)** \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominator’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please email, fax or mail response to the University of Mary, Physical Therapy Program, Attn: Dr. Jody Eckert, Director of Clinical Education, 7500 University Drive, Bismarck, ND 58504 or email to: [jleckert@umary.edu](mailto:jleckert@umary.edu), fax #701-255-7687**

**Thank you for your participation!**

## NOMINATION PROCESS:

- Each year, nomination criteria will be provided to students who have completed clinical experiences and to UMary Faculty. Using the above criteria, interested individuals will be asked to nominate a clinical educator.
- All nomination forms should be sent to the UMary DCE who in turn will determine whether the nominee meets the criteria.
- Nominations will be presented to the UMary faculty who will review past student reports, feedback received by the school concerning the clinical educator and the nomination itself. Faculty members will then vote on the selections and determine the award recipient.
- The recipient(s) receives a commemorative plaque.
- The PT alumni newsletter will recognize the award winner with an article about the award, nomination and the recipient.

