**EXCELLENCE IN NURSING INSTRUCTION**

Application Form

Is there a Nursing instructor or professor whom you feel deserves to be recognized as one that has demonstrated excellence as a teacher, mentor, and makes a consistent and truly positive contribution to the future of nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia?

Each year the VNSA Board of Directors will select one instructor or professor who has received a nomination from a student (or students) attending a constituent institution of the VNSA, for recognition of Excellence in Nursing Instruction. This award is presented during ceremonies at the Virginia Nursing Students’ Association Annual Convention.

 To nominate an instructor or professor from your School of Nursing/Academic Institution, please complete the following:

1. The nomination form below.
2. Your written statement.
3. The Instructor Certification and Endorsement Form to be filled out by the Dean of your Nursing School.

The nominee must teach an approved course that is part of the Nursing curriculum that is a requirement for graduation. *Multiple nominations for an individual instructor from students at a single academic institution are encouraged.*

**Deadline to submit this form this form to** **vnsaelections@gmail.com** **together with your written nomination statement and Instructor Certification and Endorsement form is 11:59 pm on February 18, 2022.**

Name of Student Submitting the Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email of Student Submitting the Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of School or Academic Institution:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Instructor Receiving the Nomination:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email of Instructor Receiving the Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address of the Instructor Receiving Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Is the instructor a Registered Nurse? \_\_\_\_\_Yes   \_\_\_\_\_No

(Please note-the nomination is open to any Instructor/Professor who teaches as part of the nursing curriculum, however submission of nominations for recognition of instructors who are Registered Nurses is highly encouraged.)

Course of instruction/class name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of nomination:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a written statement describing why you feel this Instructor/Professor should be recognized by the Virginia Nursing Students’ Association.  To assist the VNSA Board of Directors in the selection process, please cite examples of how this particular Instructor has made a difference, (examples include, “spends extra time with students to ensure the objectives of the class are met”; “has a particular style of instruction that facilitates learning and fosters a true learning environment”, etc.).  The nomination should be at least 250 words in length.

*Please note: In the event your instructor is chosen as the winner, your written statement will be read aloud at the awards banquet at the closing ceremony of the annual VNSA Convention on February 19, 2022 via zoom.*

 **Instructor Certification and Endorsement**

*To be completed by the Dean of Academic Instruction or Department*

Name of Instructor/Professor:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Length of tenure at this Institution:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Course:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Academic Credentials of this Instructor/Professor (Masters or Doctorate, etc.):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*The above named Instructor/Professor has been nominated by a student for recognition by the Virginia Nursing Students’ Association to receive the Annual Award for Excellence in Nursing Instruction.  The nomination is open to any instructor who teaches a class that is part of the curriculum for Nursing required for graduation.*

Participation by this Instructor in committees or Departmental Chairmanship at your institution (including dates of positions held:

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Please provide any additional comments that will assist the Nominating Committee in their selection.  Thank you for your participation in the nomination process.  Your comments will be held in strictest confidence.

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