For more than 100 years, the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences has maintained a strong tradition of leadership across agriculture, natural resources and life sciences, establishing our college as one of the leading organizations of its kind in the state, nation and world. That leadership is a direct product of the excellence of our faculty, staff and students. Therefore, it’s extremely important to reward and recognize these individuals. In 2012 an awards program was created specifically for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and the Dean’s Awards for Outstanding Achievement were introduced. Spanning 16 diverse categories, each award celebrates our faculty, staff and student’s excellence and dedication to the land-grant mission.

Nominations are now open for the 4th Annual Dean’s Outstanding Achievement Awards, recognizing individuals who exemplify the qualities and practices of excellence across agriculture, natural resources and life sciences. You are invited to participate by nominating faculty, staff or students who are making exceptional contributions in the fields of teaching, research, advising, and other areas outlined within the guidelines.

Recipients will receive $500 for individual awards and $2,000 for team awards along with a framed certificate presented at an awards ceremony in the fall. Employees are eligible if they have some portion of their appointment with the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences or have significant demonstrated responsibilities or duties to the College. Nominees must have been employed for at least 2 years (student awards are exempt from this requirement) and must not have won the award for 5 years previously. Please note, nominations which were not selected in the year in which the nomination is submitted in the categories of teaching, research and other awards will be considered for an additional two years. Student award nominations will not be carried forward and must be nominated each year. Note: Only one nomination per award category is encouraged so be mindful about the nominations from your department that are being carried forward in specific categories.

Complete guidelines and nomination information about award categories, eligibility and nomination requirements may be found online at http://aglifesciences.tamu.edu/awards/ or visit the Texas A&M AgriLife Awards website at http://agrilifeawards.tamu.edu/. Nominations are due by Friday, May 22, 2015. For questions, contact Cady Auckerman or Toni Beamon at 979-847-9066.

We are pleased to be able to recognize excellence in outstanding people across the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and look forward to receiving your nominations.

Thank you!