CBS GRADUATE TEACHING
ASSISTANT AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

All members of the University Community are invited to nominate a Graduate Student within the College of Biological Science for this award.

Eligibility
The nominee must be enrolled at the University of Guelph in a graduate program in the College of Biological Science and have held a TA position during the current academic year for which their contributions are being recognized.

Criteria
The nominee will be recognized for their exemplary teaching skills and abilities and commitment to undergraduate learning, characterized in any of the following ways:

• Their ability to encourage student engagement and participation;
• Their enthusiasm and subject-area expertise;
• Their dedication, preparation, organization and time-management skills;
• Their ability to innovate, and to motivate, recognize and reward student excellence;
• Their ability to communicate and translate disciplinary knowledge;
• Their ability to be accessible and approachable to students
• Their ability to work collaboratively in a teaching team

Nomination
A nomination package will be compiled by at least two nominators, one of which is an undergraduate student who has been enrolled in the course for which the nominated TA is being recognized. The nomination packages must include:

• A one page letter of support from the nominator(s) outlining the major contributions and accomplishments of the nominee;
• A one page summary of the nominee’s teaching responsibilities and duties as a TA;
• Up to four letters of support from undergraduate students, colleagues, supervisors and/or departmental faculty member

Deadline
Nomination forms are available at www.uoguelph.ca/cbs and are due to the CBS Dean’s Office no later than September 15th, 2015, together with all supporting documentation. This award will be presented at the CBS Faculty/Staff Recognition Event in the Fall semester.