

# **Georgia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance**

## **College/University Physical Education Teacher of the Year**

### **Purpose of the Award**

The purpose of the College/University Physical Education Teacher of the Year Award is to recognize the outstanding performance of physical educators at the college/university level. While the main purpose of this award is to recognize exemplary teaching, other factors such as scholarship, professional contributions, service, student advisement and mentoring that are an integral part of a professor's responsibilities, shall be taken into account.

### **Qualifications for Award**

Any physical educator who meets the requirements and exemplifies the criteria for this award may be nominated by a GAHPERD member. Qualifications include:

- Current membership in GAHPERD
- Continuous GAHPERD member for the last five (5) years
- A minimum of five (5) years teaching experience in physical education (any level)
- At the time of application, teach primarily (>50%) in the area of physical education
- Be employed full-time at a college/university in the state of Georgia

### **Award Criteria**

- Provides enriching educational opportunities and experiences for students
- Acts as a positive professional role model in mentoring and advising students
- Utilizes a variety of teaching strategies and methodologies in the learning process
- Participates actively in professional organizations
- Provides service to his/her home institution
- Conducts scholarly activity (including, but not limited to research, presentations to professional organizations and other constituencies, course development/revision, curriculum development/revision, grant writing, etc)

A recipient of this award within the last five years is not eligible to be nominated.

### **Selection/Recognition Process**

Professionals may be nominated by any current GAHPERD member. The completed application for this award is reviewed by the award Committee. All applicants are notified by letter from the Committee Chair six to eight weeks prior to GAHPERD's annual convention. The award winner is expected to be registered and present at the convention, and to be in attendance at the Awards Ceremony. The Chair's letter will also include details regarding the date and time of this special event. The recipient is expected to present a program at the next GAHPERD convention. The committee may, at their discretion, not present an award during a given year.

### **Required Materials for Application**

Applications must contain all required materials to be reviewed by the screening committee. Application materials must be typed and must include the following items in this order:

1. Application cover page
2. Current resumé/vita not to exceed six (6) pages
3. Three (3) letters of reference. One letter must be written by the nominator. The other letters should be written by people who can truly speak to how the applicant demonstrates the qualifications.
4. Any additional support documentation
5. Narrative addressing all award criteria bullet points.