DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARDS
The Indiana State University Board of Trustees has provided for the recognition of outstanding teaching through the creation of the Caleb Mills Distinguished Teaching Award. Excellence in teaching shall be the sole criterion in making the awards. A maximum of four (4) annual awards may be given each with a stipend of an appropriate amount and an appropriate tangible symbol to be retained by the winner. Any tenured faculty member teaching a minimum of 16 semester hours or 24 contact hours at Indiana State University during the preceding summer, fall, and spring semesters of the current academic year is eligible for consideration. Previous recipients of the Award are ineligible. Final selection is made by a committee appointed by the University President, and chaired by the non-voting Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. This committee is to be composed of six (6) tenured full-time faculty members, including some past recipients of the award. At least four (4) schools and the ranks of assistant professor, associate professor and professor shall be represented. Five (5) outstanding students also serve: two (2) graduates and three (3) undergraduates. Committee members may not submit nominations nor be eligible for the award during their years of service on the committee. Members are appointed to staggered two-year terms. Nomination is by letter from any full-time faculty member, student, alumnus/a, or administrator at the University. The Committee solicits further evidence of excellent teaching from the nominees’ students, chairpersons of the nominees’ departments, nominees’ vitae and faculty reports of professional activities. The Committee may elect to narrow the field of nominees before soliciting this additional information.

RESEARCH/CREATIVITY AWARDS
The ISU Board of Trustees has established the Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research/Creativity Award at Indiana State University for faculty members who have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of knowledge. Funds are made available so that a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of four (4) awards, each with a stipend and a plaque certifying this special achievement, may be presented at spring commencement. In each year at least one (1) award should be given in each of the two (2) categories — research and creativity. Candidates for the award must be regular full-time members of the Indiana State University faculty. In addition, their work must meet the following requirements:

1. Research/creativity other than that completed to satisfy advanced degree requirements.
2. Research/creativity substantially completed while the candidate was a regular full-time member of the Indiana State University faculty.
3. Research/creativity representing a single major contribution completed within the four (4) years immediately prior to application, or outstanding contributions that have characterized one’s professional life.
4. Research/creativity which represents a contribution of national significance to a candidate’s field of specialization.

Forms may be obtained from the School of Graduate Studies. Any regular full-time faculty member may nominate himself/herself. Faculty, department chairpersons, and deans are encouraged to nominate faculty colleagues. Faculty members who have received an award will be ineligible for consideration again for a four-year period. Nomination forms must be submitted to the School of Graduate Studies, by January 20 of each year. The Dean of the School of Graduate Studies will collect the supporting data relative to the nominees, and the selection committee will be responsible for any outside correspondence with experts in a candidate’s area of expertise. This correspondence will document the significance of the research/creativity. Final selection is by the Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research/Creativity Award Committee. The Dean of the School of Graduate Studies will serve as chairperson and nonvoting member of this Committee. The twelve (12) voting members will be selected and appointed before January 15 and will include one (1) representative selected by the Graduate Council, one (1) representative selected by the University Research Committee, one (1) representative selected by the University Arts Endowment Committee, and seven (7) other faculty members with proven research/creativity expertise. During the fall semester the University Faculty Senate will recommend fourteen nominees – two (2) nominees from each school, the college, and the library. The University President will appoint the seven (7) faculty members to serve on the Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research/Creativity Award Committee, one (1) from each of the units while maintaining appropriate
balance between faculty with expertise in research and creativity. The two (2) student members will be
selected from two (2) undergraduate nominees chosen by the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies
and two (2) graduate nominees chosen by the graduate student organization. From the four (4)
nominees, the University President will select an undergraduate and a graduate student to serve on the
Committee. An individual who is a candidate for a Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research/Creativity
Award in any given year may not serve on the review committee. Review committee members may serve
only one (1) of any three (3) consecutive years.

FACULTY DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS

The ISU Board of Trustees has provided for the recognition of outstanding service through the creation of
the Faculty Distinguished Service Award. Excellence in, intensity of, long-term commitment to, and
tangible evidence of the impact of service are the criteria which shall be considered in making the awards.
A maximum of two (2) annual awards may be given with a stipend and an appropriate tangible symbol to
be retained by the recipient. Eligible faculty members are those who are tenured and have demonstrated
service while at ISU in the form of membership in faculty governance at the school/college or University
level; membership on committees within the University; service to student organizations; service to
professional organizations; and/or service to community groups. Final selection is by a committee
appointed by the University President and chaired by the Provost and Vice President for Academic
Affairs. Nomination is by letter from any full-time faculty member, student, alumnus/a, University staff
member, or citizen of the Wabash Valley. The committee solicits further evidence of outstanding service
from chairs, deans, students, faculty, and organizations.