The College of Humanities and Social Sciences

2020 Dean’s Giraffe Award

Calling all innovators and risk-takers!

Have you taken a risk this year or made an innovation

... in the classroom?
... in your research?
... in the organization of the College or one of its programs?

Then you may be a recipient of the Giraffe Award!

Dean Ward is accepting nominations for an award recognizing faculty or staff who have tried something risky to better teaching, to further research, or to improve College organization or programs. While most awards judge what is successful, this one is designed to recognize innovation whether it is successful or not. Isn’t it true that we often learn from our unsuccessful attempts at change? The Giraffe Award recognizes those who stick their necks out to help create new teaching methods; originate unusual research strategies or methods; or help to make CHaSS better by trying something really different.

To nominate yourself or someone else, please send no more than two pages indicating the innovation or risk undertaken, the person’s name, department, and classification to Dean Ward by February 7, 2020. Awardees will be recognized at the College Awards Ceremony March 25.