The AUSA and University of Aberdeen Excellence in Teaching Awards provide students with the opportunity to nominate members of academic staff who have provided exceptional teaching or enhanced their University experience.

In 2021, awards will be made in the following categories:

1. Outstanding contribution to blended learning (teaching)
2. Outstanding contribution to blended learning (assessment)
3. Outstanding contribution to accessibility and inclusivity in blended learning
4. Outstanding contribution to supporting the academic community to prepare for blended learning
5. Best Undergraduate Lecturer
6. Best Supervisor (Undergraduate)
7. Best Postgraduate Taught Lecturer
8. Best Supervisor (Postgraduate Research)
9. Funniest Lecturer
10. Personal Tutor - has your Personal Tutor provided exceptional support, advice or guidance?
11. Most Accessible Lecturer - a champion for students with disabilities
12. Mental Health Champion
13. Most Inspiring - has any member of staff inspired you in a memorable way?
14. Best Support Staff - Any member of professional services or Academic support staff who have provided outstanding support, advice, guidance or contributed towards a positive student experience
15. Best Student Class Rep
16. Best Student Ambassador

Please consider the below Terms of Eligibility and Summary of Terms before submitting a nomination.

Terms of Eligibility:

1. For award categories 1 – 13, nominators must be a current student of the University of Aberdeen. Nominators can be Undergraduate, Postgraduate Taught or Postgraduate Research students. The nominee must be a current member of academic staff at the University. (See summary of terms for clarification).
2. For award category 14, nominators must be a current student at the University. Nominators can be Undergraduate, Postgraduate Taught or Postgraduate Research students. Nominees must be a member of University staff. This can be either Academic staff or staff in Professional and Support Services. (See summary of terms for clarification).
3. For award categories 15 and 16, the nominator must be a member of staff at the University, either Academic staff or staff in Professional and Support Services, and may not concurrently be a student at the University. The nominee must be a current student at the University. Nominees can be Undergraduate, Postgraduate Taught or Postgraduate Research students.
4. Self-nominations for these awards will **not** be considered.

**Summary of Terms:**

1. **Academic Staff** – The term ‘academic staff’ refers to the requirement that staff nominated for this award must be involved in one of the Academic Schools as a member of teaching staff. Members of staff in the Professional and Support Services are not eligible for this category of awards (**with the exception of the Best Support Staff Award**). If you would like to nominate a member of staff who works in Professional and Support Services, then please submit a nomination for one of the categories in the Principal’s Excellence in Professional and Support Services Awards: [https://www.abdn.ac.uk/students/academic-life/excellence-awards-3381.php#panel2904](https://www.abdn.ac.uk/students/academic-life/excellence-awards-3381.php#panel2904)

2. **Professional and Support Services** – This term refers to any department or staff position not directly related to Academic teaching. Examples would include staff members in Student Support, Registry, the Infohub, Estates & Facilities, Catering, Research & Innovation.

If you have a query regarding your nomination, please send an email to studentlife@abdn.ac.uk.