Call for Nominations

The Gary Brown ePortfolio Project Faculty Cohort Award

The ePortfolio Project invites nominations of individuals or teams of two to five faculty members from a program, department, or college who have exhibited exemplary leadership in promoting the ePortfolio Project Faculty Cohort and been engaged in practices that support the implementation of ePortfolios at Auburn University. Nominations might recognize: individuals who have spear-headed the integration of ePortfolios across an entire program; or, teams of faculty who have worked together to develop assignments, map curriculum, design collaborative assessment practices, planned and delivered faculty development activities for their program, or undertaken research related to ePortfolios. In either case it should be clear that those nominated have exhibited a spirit of collaboration and joint ownership/responsibility for the implementation of ePortfolios into their curriculum. The award is named in honor of Dr. Gary Brown, a national leader in innovative teaching and the use of ePortfolios as a tool for student learning. Dr. Brown led the evaluation of Auburn’s ePortfolio Project during the 2013 SACSCOC reaffirmation on-site visit and exhibited the spirit of collaboration, collegiality, and support for student learning that Auburn’s ePortfolio Project aims to recognize and applaud.

The winning nomination will receive a one-time professional development award of $5,000 per individual. The stipend is meant to support the faculty members’ on-going efforts to implement ePortfolios in their program, department, or college. Award winners will be invited to share their work with ePortfolios and their strategies for successful collaborative efforts in integrating ePortfolios at events and programs sponsored by the ePortfolio Project, including Cohort Symposia, Conversations in Celebration of Teaching, or regional and national conferences as appropriate.

The nomination packet should be submitted as an ePortfolio to Margaret J. Marshall, Director of University Writing at mmarshall@auburn.edu by March 2, 2015. The ePortfolio (which need not be made public) should include:

- the nomination letter and two letters of support
- artifacts with appropriate contextualization to document the work of the individual or team of individuals whose efforts have resulted in exemplary curricula, faculty development, assessment, research, or students’ abilities to create ePortfolios

Nominations will be evaluated by a committee of faculty and administrators involved in the ePortfolio Project and the winner will be invited to the ePortfolio Project Awards Luncheon hosted by the Provost on May 5, 2015. Nominees not selected will be considered automatically in subsequent years, though the submitted ePortfolio may be updated.