CRELLIN PAULING STUDENT TEACHING AWARD
2021 REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS
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Important Dates and Information:
RFN Release Date: August 27, 2020
Nomination Deadline: Monday, October 19, 2020 before 5:00 p.m. pacific time
Award Announcement: At CSU Biotechnology Symposium, January 7-10, 2021
Award Amount: $2,000

Program Description:
The Crellin Pauling Student Teaching Award acknowledges outstanding student teaching achievement
by a California State University (CSU) student in biotechnology-related settings, courses and programs.

The 2011 Vision and Change Report,* among others, challenged educators to change the way science
and engineering is taught to better match the way it is done. The Pauling Awards are designed to
recognize and promote effective teaching practices, to celebrate the work of outstanding teaching
assistants, and to inspire future science and engineering educators.

These awards honor Professor Crellin Pauling (San Francisco State University), a co-founder of
CSUPERB, for his extraordinary contributions to the training of teachers and scientists and his
commitment to the creation of a scientifically literate electorate.

The Pauling Family endowed the Crellin Pauling Student Teaching Award so that two awards ($2,000
each) are made annually. The Pauling Award winners are honored at the virtual annual CSU
Biotechnology Symposium.

Award Eligibility:
• The Pauling award program is open to any CSU undergraduate or graduate student teaching in any
discipline related to biotechnology. CSUPERB welcomes and encourages nominations from all
disciplines related to biotechnology, including but not limited to life sciences, physical sciences,
clinical sciences, math, computer science, agricultural science, engineering, and/or business.

• Pauling Award winners attend the virtual CSU Biotechnology Symposium (January 7-10, 2021) to
accept the award and give a 2-3 minute acceptance speech. Due to changes being made because
of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, these arrangements may change and the awardees will
be notified.

Pauling Award Selection Criteria:
• Nomination Letter from Faculty Advisor. A faculty member or instructor must submit a signed
nomination letter on campus letterhead. This letter should provide a fair and objective
assessment of the student's teaching achievements and abilities. The nominee must have a strong,
excellent record of teaching in biotechnology-related courses or programs. Ideally, the nominating
advisor will attend the virtual CSU Biotechnology Symposium (January 7-10, 2021) with the student.

• Quality of Student Essay. Student nominees must submit an essay that includes their perspectives
1) on teaching and learning and 2) on Crellin Pauling's focus on a scientifically literate electorate.

Nomination Instructions:
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Faculty advisors must submit nominations before the deadline using the CSYou submission system (see the link at www.calstate.edu/csuperb). Faculty mentors can log into the CSYou system using their campus ID/username and password.

Nomination packages can be submitted in either Microsoft WORD or Adobe PDF format.

A complete nomination package consists of all of the following:
1. Signed Nomination Letter(s) from a CSU faculty member (limit 2 pages each)
2. Student Essay (limit 2 pages)

Selection Process:
Nomination packages that are complete and meet eligibility requirements will be reviewed by a panel comprised of CSU faculty, administrators and the Pauling family. Up to two awards will be made each year.

- The selection committee will make decisions based on the nominee’s essay and the nomination letter from faculty advisor/instructor.
- Award winners will be notified so that they can register for and attend the CSU Biotechnology Symposium.
- The award recipients will be announced and honored during the virtual CSU Biotechnology symposium.

The Award:
Awards of $2000 will be made in the form of a cash prize issued as a check from San Diego State University to the awardee and sent via U.S. Mail.

CSUPERB Statement of Principles on Professional Behavior:
CSUPERB values diverse perspectives where all individuals can flourish. CSUPERB is dedicated to providing an environment that fosters intellectual curiosity and creativity, free and lively debate conducted with mutual respect for individuals, and freedom from intolerance. These values are applicable to any aspect of CSUPERB’s work, including meetings, symposia, and funded activities. Specifically, members of our community value:
• Critical scholarly discourse for the purpose of understanding, advancing scientific ideas, and educating the next generation of science and engineering practitioners;
• Education and research environments where all people are treated equally, regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, sexual orientation and free of bias, hostility, and harassment of any kind;
• Conversations and discussions where community members can share ideas in a collegial atmosphere that is inclusive and values everyone’s input and opportunity to participate;
• Advocacy for equality and inclusivity in science;
• The use of inclusive examples, graphics, and stories in presentations and proposals;
• Access for all community members, including traditionally underrepresented groups, to fully participate in and become leaders in science;
• The support and promotion of the education and careers of all scientists, engineers, and bio-entrepreneurs;
• Leadership in our fields to strengthen scientific mentorship and create an atmosphere of collaboration;
• Commitment to our own education and participation in activities related to recognizing and eliminating implicit bias.
All participants in CSUPERB events and activities are expected to follow the requirements of Title V, Title IX, and California State University (CSU) Executive Orders and adhere to the CSUPERB Principles of Professional Behavior and values. Non-CSU participants who do not follow these expectations may be asked to leave a CSUPERB event or activity and/or prohibited from participation in future CSUPERB events or activities.

**Program Contacts:**
Nominators are encouraged to contact CSUPERB via email instead of telephone due to the uncertain “work-from-home” scheduling during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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