The University of Mississippi School of Law
Faculty Diversity Award

The Diversity Committee will award the annual University of Mississippi School of Law Faculty Diversity Award to the faculty member (or faculty group) who by his/her/their actions or activities in the preceding year or in past years demonstrate distinctive and outstanding teaching, research or creative work, service, or outreach that advances diversity, inclusion, and equity at The University of Mississippi School of Law.

The Award shall consist of a personalized plaque, a $500 monetary award, and entry of the winner’s or winners’ name(s) on a “history plaque” to be located in the Admissions lobby.

ELIGIBILITY
To be eligible, a nominee must be:

1. All full-time faculty (tenure or non-tenure track faculty), as well as adjunct faculty are eligible.

2. Self-nominations and nominations by members of the Diversity Committee will not be considered.

3. Not be the immediate previous winner of the award.

CRITERIA
The Diversity Committee will grant the award based on the following criteria:

1. The nominee’s documented efforts in the preceding year or past years demonstrate distinctive and outstanding teaching, research or creative work, service, or outreach that advances diversity, inclusion, and equity at The University of Mississippi School of Law.

2. The nominee’s efforts to advocate for and promote a campus environment that is welcoming while embracing and nurturing cultural, ethnic, racial, class, gender, sexual orientation, language, and other human differences.

3. The nominee’s efforts to contribute to raising awareness about diversity and inclusion within the context of the university’s mission and for the greater good of the UMiss Law community.
4. The extent to which the nominee’s activities had, or will have, significant impact on the UMiss Law community in terms of diversity, inclusion, and equity.

NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

1. The nominator must submit an online nomination form and supporting materials by April 27 of the year in which the award will be granted;
2. Supporting materials submitted by the nominator shall consist of a mandatory nomination statement of a maximum of 1,000 words in Word (or similar software) with 1-inch margins on all sides and 12-point font, an optional resume or c.v., and other materials that support the nomination;
3. Self-nomination is not allowed;
4. After the nominations are received, the Diversity Committee will meet and determine the winner;
5. The award will be given at graduation.