Characteristics of Excellent Advising

Among the characteristics of excellent advising that the Jack E. Cermak Advising Award Selection Committee will consider are the following:

- Advising performance extends above and beyond the standard expectations for advisors with similar responsibilities.
- Has served as active academic adviser of undergraduate and/or graduate students at Colorado State University for a minimum of three years;
- Advising is a significant percentage of their assigned effort distribution and/or is significant in their execution of their assigned responsibilities;
- Faculty graduate advising extends beyond expected research tutelage and mentoring of students;
- Demonstrates effective interpersonal communication skills, including listening;
- Builds advising relationships with students based on honesty, trust and genuine appreciation;
- Uses knowledge of University policies, regulations, and procedures to promote student success;
- Understands University services and effectively refers students to appropriate offices;
- Demonstrates ability to offer career advising or referral to key career resources;
- Is recognized by students as an outstanding adviser;
- Is recognized by peers as an outstanding adviser;
- Has contributed to the improvement of advising services and/or the visibility of quality academic advising throughout the campus;
- Advocates for student success through participation in discussions in an advising capacity around development or change of academic policies and related procedures;
- Has demonstrated dedication of professional development opportunities towards improving advising related skills and understanding;