



The selection committee has chosen Professor Stacy Hoult-Saros as the 2019-2020 Excellence in Campus Citizenship award recipient. The award recognizes an outstanding faculty member for his or her commitment to and excellence in campus citizenship.

As the selection committee read the nominations for this inaugural Campus Citizenship award, Stacy Hoult-Saros' nomination stood out for the breadth, depth, and significance of her campus involvement. Stacy has worked ceaselessly and tirelessly in projects benefiting students, faculty, and staff, the university as a whole, and the community. Moreover, she has worked not only as a participant but as a leader, bringing her particular brand of quiet, patient, and diplomatic energy to all she does.



*Professor Stacy
Hoult-Saros*

Stacy's service grows organically from her deeply held ethical and religious values as well as her particular commitment to serve underrepresented and marginalized groups. It is a cliché to say “the list of her activities is too long for us to mention them all” — but this is absolutely true here. However, a few examples may help to illustrate why the committee concurs with the writer of one of her supporting letters, which characterized Stacy's work as “a stellar record of campus citizenship.” She has long served as faculty advisor to Valpo's LatinX student group, LIVE; she has served as Spanish section head and chair of the Department of World Languages and Cultures, and has worked on coordinating Valpo's study-abroad program in Costa Rica; she chaired the Diversity Concerns Committee of the University Council, chaired the Diversity Summit Committee which brought together campus and community partners, chaired the Transgender Policy Task Force, and has served on the steering committee of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day commemoration; facilitated a Faculty Learning Circle on creating a compassionate campus; served on Honor Council and the Faculty Grievance Committee; and currently is the coordinator for the Conrad Scholars Program, mentoring students in this donor-funded program for highly-qualified but economically needy Valpo students, who are often first-generation college students. In addition, Stacy chaired the General Education Committee as it began the gargantuan and often thankless effort to revise the university's general education program.

It was clear to the award selection committee that Stacy's commitment to the well-being of the university and its students, faculty, and staff, is wholehearted and deep. Stacy seeks to unite and to find common ground so that all parties in our community can flourish. We are delighted to have such a tremendously deserving colleague as the first recipient of the Campus Citizenship award.

Please join me in congratulating Professor Hoult-Saros on her outstanding work and contributions to our community!

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