Dean’s Teaching Release Award for Pre-Tenure Faculty

Purpose
The Dean’s Teaching Release Award is offered to pre-tenure faculty members in Harpur College to help promote their prospects for tenure and promotion at Binghamton University. Awardees are exempted from major teaching obligations but retain full faculty status, salary, and rights, thereby allowing them to concentrate on a significant scholarly or creative project.

Award Duration
One semester (Fall or Spring, depending on departmental needs). In departments with academic year course loads of four or higher, the course reduction may be taken across two semesters (for example, a course load of 2/2 would become 1/1).

Eligibility
This award is available to faculty who:

1) Will complete the teaching reduction prior to semester during which their evaluation for tenure and promotion begins;

2) Have not already received a Dean’s Teaching Reduction Award.

Conditions
Award recipients are required to:

• Remain in residence for the duration of the award, except for brief intervals of absence as required by their projects, and to continue their departmental advising and service obligations;

• Submit a report of their accomplishments during the release period within six months of the completion of the semester; and

• Remain at Binghamton University for at least one academic year following the award or to reimburse the University for their salary during the award.

Application Materials
No formal application is required. Eligible pre-tenure faculty must work with their department chair to ensure that these course reductions support their scholarly development as well as accommodate their department’s curriculum.

Questions
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