

## Cowan Award Nomination Form

***DEADLINE: Monday, March 15, 2021 for consideration in this year's award round.***

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### **The Cowan Award**

After her untimely death in 2001, the SMSU community created a way to honor psychology professor Dr. Cathy Cowan's outstanding service to both the university and the region by designing an award in her name for ***current faculty and staff*** with at least 5 years of service. Nominations for this honor may come from students, faculty, staff, administrators and/or members of the regional community.

***Disclaimer: There may be no self-nominations. There may be no anonymous nominations.***

***Please note: Previous nominees are eligible for re-nomination; previous winners are not.***

Name of nominee:

Years of SMSU service of the nominee:

Current SMSU status of the nominee:

Nominated by:

### **Required Information. Nominee must have both:**

**SMSU involvement of the nominee:** Ex. Committees served on, SMSU recognition received, positions held, etc. (Click red button below to attach files to this document.)

### **And:**

**Community involvement of the nominee:** Ex. Committees served on, volunteer work, recognition received, positions held, etc. (Click red button below to attach files to this document.)

***On a separate sheet***, please provide the Cowan Award Committee with a narrative essay detailing the nominee's service to the university and community by doing good for others. The essay should provide substantial insights into the merits of your nominee. This essay is the primary basis for our decision on the award, so please be thorough and complete. Please include the following information:

- Why should the committee consider this nominee?
- What makes this nominee stand out from other possible nominations?
- What service has this nominee given to SMSU that is above and beyond the scope of their position at the university?
- What service outside of SMSU has the nominee participated in that can be termed as "Doing Good for Others"?
- How many people has the nominee's service benefitted?

You may also submit additional letters of support to provide depth to your nomination.

**Submit your completed narrative essay, with this form as a cover sheet, and any additional supporting materials, to Marilee Thomas, Academic Deans' Office, BA 268, by *Monday, March 15, 2021.***

Thank you for taking the time to nominate a meritorious member of the SMSU faculty or staff.