

**THE MARY BALDWIN FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE IN LIBRARY-BASED RESEARCH**

Faculty Support Form

Date:

Faculty Name:

Student's Name:

Title of Paper:

Semester/term the course was taught:

Please attach a letter addressing how this student's work meets the award criteria listed below. Please limit your letter to approximately one page. The award committee is especially interested in your assessment of the originality and depth of this work as well as the variety and appropriateness of the sources used. You may also include evidence of the student's personal learning or growth in understanding of the research process.

Deadline for receiving this form and support letter is the first day of the spring semester for papers written during the preceding calendar year (e.g., January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009, for the awards to be given at Honors Convocation in March 2010).

Award Criteria:

- breadth and appropriate use of research sources and methods;
- sophisticated development of a thesis and supporting argument;
- correct citation of a bibliography according to an accepted form of documentation (APA, MLA, etc);
- an engaging, discipline-appropriate writing style using standard grammar and punctuation.

You may give the form and letter of support to your student to submit with her application or you may submit it directly to Carol Creager (ccreager@mbc.edu).

For more information, please see <http://www.mbc.edu/grafon/award.asp> or contact any member of the Committee on Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity. Current members of the committee are listed on the web pages of [The Office of Sponsored Programs and Undergraduate Research](#).