2018 Recipient of the Distinguished Advising Award

Dr. Jesslyn R. Collins-Frohlich

The College’s Distinguished Advising Award was established in 1994 to recognize a faculty member who has demonstrated sustained dedication to students in the area of academic advising. This year’s recipient is Dr. Jesslyn Collins-Frohlich from the Department of English.

Jesslyn goes above and beyond as an advisor for assigned advisees and for students across the College. As her colleagues’ share, Jesslyn “commits herself to advising students in terms of their lives beyond the College and outside of the classroom. Aware of the steep increase in struggles with anxiety and depression that current undergraduates are facing, she takes the trouble to get to know them and their particular situation and offer them guidance in managing their time and support for their personal challenges.”

Additionally, Jesslyn actively advises students outside of the classroom. Along with Dr. Kathy Beres Rogers, Jesslyn is the co-sponsor of the English honors society Sigma Tau Delta, “which has thrived under her guidance.” Since her arrival at the College, Jesslyn has been a Fulbright application reader, a position heavily involved with advising students in their work to best represent themselves and their accomplishments to the national Fulbright selection committee. “These students represent a wide range of majors and working with them requires the ability to help them reflect productively on their strengths, and weaknesses, and on their long-term goals. It also involves a lot of guidance as they revise their written application materials. Finally, as a reader, Jesslyn also participates in the faculty interviews of all Fulbright candidates.”

It is clear that Dr. Jesslyn Collins-Frohlich is a dedicated advisor who has the undivided support of her department and the gratitude of her students. We are pleased to recognize her with the College’s 2018 Distinguished Advising Award.