



TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Graduation Ceremony: 2 July at 11.00 am

Vice-Chancellor

Graduation is the time at which we recognise the achievements of our students, and it is appropriate that, at this point, we also recognise the achievements of the staff who have supported and encouraged them towards their successes.

The University of Glasgow has a long and distinguished tradition of learning and an established reputation for the high quality of teaching that it offers to its students. The University recognises Teaching Excellence through awards presented to colleagues who have made an outstanding contribution to teaching and student support. I will shortly invite you, Vice Chancellor, to present a Teaching Excellence Award to **Dr Val Fallon in the category of Early Career**. Before I do so, I would like to take this opportunity to share with you, and those present, the reasons for which **Dr Fallon** is to be recognised in this way.

Dr Fallon has demonstrated an ability to teach with confidence and flair to a huge range of students. She teaches and assesses students in anatomy at undergraduate and postgraduate taught levels in life sciences and in medicine, dentistry and nursing. She uses a wide range of teaching methods and employs technology effectively to enhance her teaching. She is also coordinator or deputy coordinator on a number of courses including one course taken by over 500 students.

Dr Fallon has a great enthusiasm for her subject and puts considerable energy into her teaching. Her skilful use of apt analogies is a particular feature of her teaching and is greatly appreciated by her students. As an example one student wrote in their feedback "Dr Fallon kept me entertained with her witty insights and I found her teaching methods easy to understand. The labs were thoroughly interesting. In fact I had to make more than one trip I enjoyed it so much! I loved the course, the information was fascinating, I just wish I had more than one semester of it. I give it 10 out of 10".

Vice Chancellor, it gives me great pleasure to invite you to present a Teaching Excellence Award to **Dr Val Fallon**.