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Gibbons Receives Northwest Iowa Community College Outstanding Faculty Award

Stephen Gibbons, Social Sciences Instructor at Northwest Iowa Community College, was awarded the Outstanding Faculty Award during commencement ceremonies on May 14, 2010. Gibbons was presented the award by Dr. Alethea Stubbe, Vice President of Instruction & Learning Services.

Gibbons, who has been with the college for six years, was nominated for the award for his exemplary instruction and service to the College and its students. The four categories considered are excellence or innovation in teaching; performance beyond average; commitment to personal/professional development; and team/committee participation.

In a letter of recommendation Dr. Rhonda Pennings, Dean of Arts & Sciences/Business & Health, wrote, "Stephen Gibbons has constantly delivered high quality instruction to his students. Gibbons is innovative in his instructional methodology by using Google Docs and other classroom technology to help his students understand the material. Students appreciate Gibbon's humor and his use of real life examples to illustrate key concepts in his lectures."

One student wrote, 'He is an amazing teacher. I enjoyed his class very much. Gibbons really made an effort to keep his students informed and did his best to work with me and other students to help do our best.'

Gibbons also serves on numerous committees across campus including: Leader for Campus Crusade for Christ, Chairperson for the Diversity Committee, General Education Committee, Affirmative Action Committee, Constitution Committee, and Internal Evaluator for the Title III Grant.

In addition to a glass trophy, Gibbons will receive the opportunity to attend an educational conference of his choice with expenses paid by the college.

Gibbons is a resident of Sioux Center, Iowa.