PETER KIEWIT STUDENT ENTREPRENEURIAL AWARD

The Peter Kiewit Student Entrepreneurial Award is designed to recognize University of Nebraska students who have directed their energies, ideas, and talents toward community and business improvements with the creative and innovative use of information technology.

This award, accompanied by a cash prize of $2,500, will be given annually by the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska to a University of Nebraska student or team of students enrolled in a degree program during the entrepreneurial activities.

The award is intended to recognize the attainment of any of the following activities through the use of information technology.

Successful awards should have all of the following:

- Development of a clearly defined product or innovation resulting from new knowledge or unique application;
- Creation of a robust business plan for development, implementation, and sustainability of a product or innovation;
- Creative or inventive work performed through a partnership with business, community, or government organizations;
- Creation of a technology, product, or innovation that addresses community or business needs or market demands;
- Effort that results in a potential “start-up enterprise” or provides the business community with an identifiable competitive edge.

The award recipient will be selected based on the students’ achievement of the above activities related to information technology entrepreneurship. The role of the students’ achievement on the above activities should be described in a nomination packet. The selection committee will be a university-wide committee representing the disciplines of information science, business, and engineering. A member of the business community will also serve on the committee.

Nomination forms are due December 7, 2015 and the completed applications must be submitted by email by January 11, 2016 to the University of Nebraska Office of the Provost at evpp@nebraska.edu. Application and nomination forms may be obtained from the University of Nebraska website www.nebraska.edu/awards or by contacting Angela Dibbert in the Office of the Provost at (402) 472-5242 or evpp@nebraska.edu. Nominees are only eligible to receive this award once. A student or team of students need not be nominated to apply, but may elect to apply directly by submitting an application form. To nominate a student or team of students, submit the completed nomination form to the Office of the Provost. Notification of the nomination will be sent to the student or students requesting them to apply.