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AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

## Elizabeth Zintl Leadership Award Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. Is there a single type of nominee that the Zintl Award Selection Committee favors?

Absolutely not. A crucial part of the Women's Center's purpose is to promote the talent and ingenuity of **all** women at the University. According to the criteria of the Zintl Award, eligible nominees need only be employees of the University. We appreciate receiving nomination packets that support a diverse array of women who serve the University in various ways. Diversity is encouraged both in the array of nominations received and in the way that the nominee interacts with the University. We look to celebrate a woman who not only cultivates a high degree of professionalism, creativity, and commitment, but who also makes significant contributions to UVA, often by serving the University in different capacities.

### 2. How many Zintl Award recipients will be honored each year?

One

### 3. How do you recommend preparing the Zintl nomination packet?

1) Typically, one University-affiliated individual takes the initiative to nominate a particular woman who fits the criteria of the Elizabeth Zintl Leadership Award by writing a **letter of nomination**.

2) The nominator then typically engages other University-affiliated individuals in writing **letters of support** for the nominee. No more than three letters of support should be written. It is strongly recommended that at least one letter of support come from outside the area or department of the nominee. It is the responsibility of the nominator, who is writing the letter of nomination, to shape the style and tone of the nominating packet.

3) Finally, a **current résumé or vita** of the nominee should be included.

### 4. Can additional nominating materials be submitted?

Please do not include more than the 3 basic requirements listed above (1 letter of nomination, no more than 3 letters of support, and a current résumé or vita). **Succinctness and specificity are encouraged.**

### 5. Can students be included in the nominating process/nominating packet?

Yes. Any University-affiliated individual—including faculty members, staff members, employees, volunteers, and students—may be involved in the Zintl nominating process.