

## 2018 Presidential Award of Excellence Recipients Named

Additional staff recognized for years of service

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THE 2018 PRESIDENTIAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE RECIPIENTS INCLUDE (L TO R) MOLLY DONOVAN, RICHARD HAYNES, SCOTT CAMPBELL, ELAINE PUORRO AND SALLY NELSON.

Hundreds of UNH employees, including five who received the 2018 Presidential Award of Excellence, were honored for their talents and dedication to the university during a staff recognition ceremony held May 4 in the MUB's Granite State Room. Vice president for enrollment management Victoria Dutcher presented the awards.

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“These recipients are the human faces behind our success across UNH,” Dutcher said. “They demonstrate excellence every day.”

Six employees were recognized for more than four decades of service. Robert Bennett of Facilities, Linda Tibbetts of the Earth Systems Research Center, Mylinda Woodward of the UNH Library, and Jean Mitchell of Athletics were recognized for 40 years of service while Diana Couture of the Office of the Senior Vice Provost for Research and James Williams of the College of Engineering and Physical Sciences (physics department) were honored for 45 years of service to the university. More than 200 employees who have been at UNH for at least 10 years received [years-of-service recognition](#) .

University community members submit nominations for the Presidential Award of Excellence. A committee of judges selects five nominees whose outstanding work has contributed to the goals of the UNH strategic plan.

2018 Presidential Award of Excellence recipients include:

**Scott Campbell**

Senior Project Machinist II  
CEPS Technical Service Center

**Richard Haynes**

Associate Director for Diversity  
Admissions

**Sally Nelson**

Administrative Coordinator  
School of Marine Science and Ocean Engineering

**Elaine Puorro**

Financial Support Specialist  
Business Services

**Molly Donovan**

Extension State Specialist

Community & Economic Development Program

UNH Cooperative Extension

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