



Award for Excellence in Creative Inquiry Mentoring

2019-2020

**Dr. Nikki Panter
Biology**

Dr. Nikki Panter is a Senior Lecturer in the Biology Department. Dr. Panter's research interest is in animal behavior. She has taught successfully across diverse learning environments, including the online space, in courses such as General Biology, General Ecology, and Biological Communication Skills. Dr. Panter was selected as a recipient of the Award for Excellence in Creative Inquiry—Mentoring for her commitment and dedication to mentoring students and encouraging them in their creative inquiry endeavors. During the 2019-2020 academic year, Dr. Panter mentored Emily Eastham on her 2019 CISE Grant Proposal: *Canines for Comprehension: Training Shelter Dogs to Improve Children's Literacy*.