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## **Maine Impact Week 2021 Faculty Mentor Impact Awards : Liz Depoy**

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Maine Impact Week 2021 Faculty Mentor Impact Awards Liz Depoy, School of Social Work

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<https://youtu.be/65dGMwxfzE>

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Earlier this year, we asked students to nominate faculty members who had an important impact on them and the response was incredible. Through online videos and announcements, we are featuring the nine faculty members who won 2021 Faculty Mentor Impact Awards

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hi

my name is melissa mcphée i'm a graduate student with the school of social work and i nominated dr elizabeth depoy for the faculty mentor award

i nominated her because she is absolute and consistent dedication to her work and her students

which is without comparison by far she generally cares about her students and their learning and goes well above and beyond for each and every one of her students

for me personally i was someone who wanted nothing to do with research i started the semester with the limiting mindset of just

completing the bare minimum to pass the class and that was going to be it

but liz saw something that i couldn't and proceeded to push me

way out of my comfort zone she believed in the work that i did and

in me as a student and as a person and she refused to accept

anything less than the very best liz

encouraged me to pursue opportunities  
that continue to force me to grow  
and there was it was with was there with  
me every single step of the way  
she spent countless hours well beyond  
the end of the two semesters that i had  
with her  
and did and dedicated to my own academic  
personal  
and professional growth despite anything  
else that she had going on  
i mean she was even reading and editing  
my work mere hours after having surgery  
i'm incredibly inspired by her tenacity  
her dedication  
her knowledge and her work i have even  
developed a love of research and have  
begun exploring my options towards that  
phd that she and i discussed  
sometimes in life you come across people  
who have a lasting impact on you  
who for the brief moments that they are  
part of your life will forever change  
you as a person  
thank you for being one of those people  
liz thank you for all that you did for  
me  
all that you did with me you absolutely  
deserve this award and i'm incredibly  
happy for you  
congratulations