**Chancellor’s Awards - Professional Promise in Research and Creative Achievement Award**

The Office of Research and Engagement (ORE) is pleased to invite applications for the FY22 Chancellor’s Award for Professional Promise in Research and Creative Achievement (PPRCA).

**Program Objective**

The purpose of these awards is to recognize tenured or tenure track faculty members at the assistant or associate professor rank who have received national and/or international recognition in their fields and show professional promise in their areas of research and creative achievement.

These awards also encourage excellence in research and creative achievement, emphasize the critical role of research and creative achievement in the professional development of our faculty, and reinforce that faculty research and creative achievement are integral to the mission of the University of Tennessee.

**Award Priorities**

This award recognizes faculty who have received national and/or international recognition in their field and show promise (i.e., a continuing upward trajectory) for further achievement. Nominees should not be recognized for first major achievements, but should show a continuance of research or creative activity output. For example, an individual with a book and a chapter for the next volume would score higher than an individual with a book alone.

**Eligibility**

Nominees must have a primary appointment in an academic unit within the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UT), the UT Institute of Agriculture (UTIA), or the UT Space Institute (UTSI).

Nominees must be tenured or tenure-track faculty at the assistant or associate professor level, with no more than ten years of service as a tenure-line faculty member (cumulative across institutions) at the time of nomination. Further, nominees must have been a UT, UTIA, or UTSI tenure-line faculty member for at least three years at the time of nomination.

Each small academic department or budgetary unit may submit the name and credentials of one nominee to the Awards Committee. Larger departments (20 or more faculty members) may submit two nominations.

**Award Terms**

Four recipients will receive a $3,000 monetary award at the Chancellor’s Honors Banquet scheduled for Spring 2022.

**Application Guidelines**

Please indicate items that have been subjected to external evaluation and those publications or proposals where the nominee is the senior author or the principal investigator.

1. **Nomination Letter:** Describe the quality of the nominee’s research or creative achievement preferably in the context of disciplinary expectations. Limit to one page single-spaced, 11-point typeface.
2. **Supporting Documentation:** Provide the following information for the **last five years** as a tenure-line faculty member*. Full CVs will not be accepted.*
   1. List performances exhibits, publications, papers, etc., with peer recognition:
      1. Articles in refereed journals (include volume, issue, page numbers)
      2. Abstracts and/or papers published as proceedings of professionally recognized organizations (include publisher and date)
      3. Monographs, chapters in books, non-refereed articles, etc. (give complete references)
      4. Books (include publisher and date)
      5. Performances (include dates, locations, audience)
      6. Exhibits (include dates, locations, audience)
      7. Other
   2. List grants, contracts, fellowships, etc., for the last five years. Include dates, dollar amount, duration and source for each.
   3. Provide names of graduate students supervised for the last five years and the title of their theses and/or dissertations, with the date degrees awarded. If available, provide information on former doctoral students, i.e., how many in career, where they are, etc.
   4. Provide evidence of national and international involvement and recognition. Give dates and complete information for the last five years.

**Submission Process**

* Department Head (or proxy) provides a nomination letter for the faculty member who meets the eligibility requirements.
* Department Head (or proxy) completes the online form, attaching the Department Head nomination letter and supporting documentation.
* Nominations that do not adhere to the guidelines will not be considered (e.g., exceeding page limits, failure to include all sections, etc.)

**Review Process**

* **Deadline:** Department Head nominates faculty member by completing online application by **January 10, 2022, at 5:00 PM.**
* **Evaluation:** A subcommittee of the Research Council will evaluate the applications and make recommendations to the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research Development.
* **Selection Results:** Four applicants will be selected and notified at the Chancellor’s Honors Banquet scheduled for Spring 2022.

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