

Boulder, Colorado 80309-0000

Provost's Faculty Achievement Awards

Award Guidelines

The Provost's Faculty Achievement Awards will include two sets of awards for research, scholarship and/or creative work: one set to recognize the work and promise of pre-tenured faculty, and one set to recognize the accomplishments of recently tenured associate professors. At this time, up to five awards will be offered in each category. A campus-level committee will make the selections. The awards will be accompanied by a \$1,000 prize, for the faculty members to use to support their research, scholarship and/or creative work.

Awards for Pre-Tenured Faculty

Eligibility:

Tenure-track faculty (assistant or associate professors) who are one or two years away from their mandatory review for tenure are eligible for this award (in general but not in every case, this means faculty who have gone through comprehensive review but are not currently being reviewed for tenure). The Office of Faculty Affairs will generate a list of eligible faculty each year to be disseminated to the schools and colleges.

Criteria:

These awards will be granted in recognition of a particular piece of research, scholarship, and/or creative work that has made a contribution to its field and that indicates the promise of the recipient. Selection will be based on an individual paper, article, essay, book, recording, work of art, etc.; the work being considered must be in print or otherwise issued for the public in a form appropriate to the discipline (i.e., electronic dissemination, CDs, public exhibitions or performances, and so on will count in appropriate fields). These awards are not designed to recognize abstract general excellence or to evaluate someone's entire scholarly or creative record.

Process:

- 1. Each year, the Office of Faculty Affairs will issue a call for nominations and a list of eligible faculty. The Vice Provost and Associate Vice Chancellor will convene a campus-level Provost's Achievement Awards Committee comprising no fewer than five tenured or tenuretrack faculty members from across the campus.
- 2. The campus-level committee will receive nominations from the deans. Deans of colleges and schools that have departments or other disciplinary divisions will probably want to solicit nominations from those units. Colleges and schools may develop their own internal processes for nominations, but all nominations will be reviewed by an appropriate body at the dean's level and will be forwarded by the dean. The College of Arts and Sciences will make no more than six nominations, the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences will make no more than three nominations, and other schools and colleges will make no more than two nominations. A college or school may decide that it has no faculty member it wishes to nominate in a particular year.
- 3. The nomination packet should include:
 - a. A letter of nomination from a tenured faculty member; this will in many cases be from a department chair or other unit leader. This letter should address not the nominee's overall career but the particular significance of the specific piece of scholarly or creative work being nominated.

- b. A letter of support from the dean.
- c. A copy of the nominee's work for which the nomination is being made.
- d. The nominee's CV.
- 4. Nominations should be received by the Office of Faculty Affairs by 5:00 p.m. on June 1st.

The Provost's Achievement Awards Committee will review nominations and make final decisions about awards. The committee may decide to award no, some, or all awards in a particular year.

Awards for Tenured Associate Professors

Eligibility:

Tenured associate professors who are between one and seven years beyond the date of earning tenure are eligible for this award. The Office of Faculty Affairs will generate a list of eligible faculty each year to be disseminated to the schools and colleges.

Criteria:

These awards will be granted in recognition for either a single publication or a series of related publications that has made a significant impact on the field. These awards are not designed to recognize abstract general excellence or to evaluate someone's entire scholarly or creative record, but instead a coherent body of work that may, again, be represented by a single piece or a gathering of linked pieces. The work being considered must be in print or otherwise issued for the public in a form appropriate to the discipline (i.e., electronic dissemination, CDs, public exhibitions or performances, and so on will count in appropriate fields).

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 - a. A letter of nomination from a tenured faculty member; this will in many cases be from a department chair or other unit leader. This letter should address not the nominee's overall career but the particular significance of the specific piece or pieces of scholarly or creative work being nominated.
 - b. A letter of support from the dean.
 - c. A copy of the nominee's work for which the nomination is being made.
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