

CSM Distinguished Professor Award

The College of Science and Mathematics' Distinguished Professor Award is designed to encourage, reward, and publicly acknowledge combined and sustained excellence in three areas: 1) Teaching, Supervision and Mentoring, 2) Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, and 3) Professional Service. The award recognizes excellence in all three areas of faculty performance and in the integration of the three areas into a coherent career thread.

Criteria

The primary criteria will be the impact and significance of the candidate's work in the three areas, and some degree of integration among them. The candidate must demonstrate a sustained record of excellence and distinction in teaching, supervision and mentoring; research, scholarship and creative activity; and professional service. The following are non-ranked examples of accomplishments in each area that may be included as evidence.

Teaching, Supervision and Mentoring

- Evidence of consistent excellent teaching;
- Student success and/or accomplishments;
- Advising and/or mentoring of students (e.g., internships, directed studies, study abroad);
- Mentoring of other faculty;
- Evidence of reflective teaching;
- Intellectually rigorous, creative, and engaging pedagogy;
- Teaching workshops, invited talks, or presentations;
- External awards and recognitions by local, national, and international organizations for teaching excellence;
- Sustained contributions to curriculum development, and/or innovative instructional techniques and technologies

Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity

- Peer-reviewed publications;
- Record of research grants and contracts;
- Record of holding patents and licenses;
- Conference presentations, participations and contributions;
- Development of software, instructional tools, and electronic media;
- Dissemination of scholarly work or creative activities to the appropriate audiences and professional groups through, for example, the presentation of seminars, workshops, invited talks, artistic performances or artistic exhibits;
- External awards and recognitions by local, national and international organizations for scholarly and creative achievements;

- Inclusion of research and scholarly work results in instruction and/or course development and improvement;
- Involvement in organizing local, national and international conferences, forums, artistic exhibits, galleries and performances;
- Leadership in developing new areas of scholarship and creativity;
- Overall contributions to the advancement, application, or pedagogy of a discipline or interdisciplinary studies;

Professional Service

- Providing the benefits of their expertise to community organizations;
- Making public professional appearances or performances;
- Consulting with governmental agencies, business industries, educational systems, community service or arts organizations;
- Serving on University committees and councils;
- Participating in the recruitment and professional placement of students;
- Serving as an officer or committee member in organizations related to the area of professional expertise;
- Campus service at the department, college or university level;
- Local community or contributions at the regional, state, national or international levels;
- Discipline or disciplinary professional organizations and societies;
- Leadership in local or system-wide faculty governance.

Eligibility

Any full-time teaching faculty, lecturer/senior lecturer, non-tenure track professorial ranked faculty, or clinical faculty with an earned masters or terminal degree (or equivalent) within the College of Science and Mathematics having completed a minimum of 5 years of service at KSU within CSM. Administrators with faculty rank (Department Chairs, Assistant and Associate Deans, Dean) are ineligible for these faculty awards while holding an administrative position. Assistant department chairs, program directors and coordinators are eligible for this award.

Award winners are eligible to be nominated once every 5 years within this category. The award recipient must be under contract at KSU when the award is presented.

Note: For the College's Distinguished Professor Award recipient to be considered for the University's Distinguished Professor Award, the award recipient must meet all the eligibility requirements set by the University including a minimum of 5 years of service at KSU with a total of 10 years of higher education experience. In the case where the College's award recipient does not meet the conditions of time at KSU and in higher education, the College Awards Committee may choose to nominate an alternate from



among the pool of award nominees whose accomplishments are also meritorious and meet all of the University's eligibility criteria.

Nomination Procedures

Nominees are submitted through their Department Awards Committee or the Department Chair in the absence of an Awards Committee. Each Department can submit up to two nominees.

Nominations packets should include:

- A completed Cover Sheet (see below);
- Up to 10 pages of a summary statement by the nominee highlighting professional achievements related to the award criteria. The summary must be created using 12 point Times New Roman font with one inch margins;
- A current *curriculum vitae*;
- A support letter from the nominee's academic home chair; jointly appointed faculty may submit a joint letter from both chairs or two separate letters;
- Three external letters in support of the nomination by people who are not affiliated with the university, in addition to the chair's letter;
- Three to five documented exemplars per each of the three areas (i.e., teaching, research and creative activity, professional service)
- All materials must be compiled into a single pdf document.

Evaluation Criteria and Procedures

The College Awards Committee will look for originality, creativity and productivity and for an outstanding body of professional activity that has gained national and/or international recognition. Particular attention will be paid to the extent to which the three areas listed above are integrated in the work of the candidate.



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COVER SHEET**

Name of Faculty Nominee: _____

Nominee's Department: _____

Nominee's Department Chair: _____

Department Award Committee Chair: _____

Signature of Submitting Representative: _____