

DISTINGUISHED SPONSORED RESEARCH AWARD GUIDELINES

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The Distinguished Sponsored Research Award recognizes a faculty member who has made a significant contribution to the scholarship of the University community through the acquisition of external grants from peer-reviewed funding sources.

I. Award

1. Certificate of recognition and a \$2000 award
2. Award presented by the President of WCU at the December Commencement
3. One award annually

II. Award Eligibility

1. The applicant must be a current full-time, tenured or tenure-track West Chester University faculty member during the academic year when the grants were obtained.
2. The applicant must have secured a minimum of two sponsored research grants from peer-reviewed external funding sources, within the five years prior to the date of nomination.
3. The applicant must have followed the WCU grant policy when the grants were submitted to external funding sources.
4. The applicant must be the Principal Investigator of at least one of the external grants.
5. Any person who wins this award must wait five years to be nominated again.

III. Award Nomination and Evaluation

1. Formal nomination should be made by a member of the academic community (no student or self-nominations).
2. Nominations are to be evaluated and recommended by the Academic Recognition Committee and approved by the Provost and Associate Vice President for Sponsored Research and Faculty Development.
3. Nomination deadline is February 13, 2011.
4. The Award will be announced by May 2012, and presented at December 2012 Commencement.