CFAES Faculty Research Awards

The CFAES Office of Research and Graduate Education are requesting nominations for the 2020 Faculty Research Awards. The Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center (OARDC) and OSU Extension are critical components of the College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) serving the mission of teaching, research, and extension. Together, OARDC and OSU Extension translate cutting edge research into impactful knowledge for our stakeholders across the state. This important work could not be accomplished without outstanding researchers working on projects across the college.

The CFAES Faculty Research Awards recognize CFAES scientists who have made outstanding research contributions in the advancement of sciences and technologies relating to food, agriculture, family, and/or the environment.

**Junior Faculty Research Award**
This award is for faculty whose appointment is at the rank of Instructor, Assistant, or Associate Professor. The award will consist of a plaque and a $1,000 cash prize to the awardee, and a one-time allocation of $3,000 to the operating expense account of the awardee’s research project.

**Senior Faculty Research Award**
This award is for faculty whose appointment is at the rank of Professor. The award will consist of a plaque and $1,000 cash prize to the awardee, and a one-time allocation of $3,000 to the operating expense account of the awardee’s research project.

**Innovator of the Year Award**
This award recognizes scientists who have created innovations that have or will have a major impact on agricultural production, business, rural communities, technology, or the health and well-being of animals and human beings. One award will be given each year to an individual or team. The award consists of a plaque and a $1,000 cash prize to each team member (not to exceed $5,000 for the team), and $2,500 to an operating expense account of the awardee for one year only, (not to exceed $5,000 total across all team members in the case of a team award).
I. **Eligibility**
   a. All CFAES scientists with the rank of Instructor through Professor who have an active sponsored research portfolio.
   b. Nominees must not have received the award during the past four years.

II. **Nomination Guidelines**
   a. Please follow the guidelines carefully so that the Awards Committee can make objective evaluations.

III. **Nomination Procedure (all awards)**
    Each nomination should be submitted electronically as a single PDF document to Kaser.37@osu.edu **on or before 5:00 PM on Thursday January 30, 2020** and contain the materials listed below to be considered complete. Nominations with missing documents will not be considered for awards. Initiation of nominations within departments are the responsibility of the department awards committee or another appropriate committee as designated by the Chair. Each department may only submit one nomination per category.

    ****Nomination packets are limited to 20 pages

    The nomination packet must include:
    a. A cover sheet, as provided below, with the signature of both the department chair and the nominator.
    b. A one-page summary of program accomplishments; this is used to interpret and evaluate the significance of the nominee’s program. Include the percentage of the nominee’s teaching, research, extension and service appointments.
    c. A curriculum vitae (not a lengthy dossier) or other documents including publications; number of thesis and dissertations of advisees of the nominee; research, contracts and grants; other awards, invited presentations, special recognitions, patents, germplasm development, books and proceedings written or edited; etc. A list of grant awards, award dollars, students, etc. is helpful for the evaluators.

IV. **CFAES Faculty Research Awards Committee**
    A standing committee of faculty with broad discipline representation will be appointed by the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education. The Associate Dean will select the chair of the committee. The Awards Committee is responsible for reviewing nominees and selecting the winners. The target date for a final announcement of the awards is approximately February 28, 2020.

V. **Award Presentation**
    All awards will be presented at the Annual CFAES Research Conference to be held in Wooster, Ohio on April 21, 2020. Note: each awardee will be expected to give a 10-minute synopsis of the primary research that led to the award at the Research Conference.
VI. Evaluation Criteria

Junior and Senior Faculty Research Award
The guiding philosophy in evaluating nominees for the Junior and Senior Faculty Research Awards will be their nationally and internationally recognized contributions to research in their respective discipline. Only research accomplished as a CFAES faculty member will be evaluated.

Nominees will be evaluated on:

a. Publications (quality, quantity, and focus)
   - CFAES researchers publish in scholarly journals with a wide range of impact factors. Thus, it is helpful to provide journal rank within the discipline (e.g., nominee published in a journal that ranked #2 among a list of 60 discipline specific journals).
   - Additional descriptors of overall research impact of the nominee (e.g., h-index based on an authentic source such as WebSci Clarivate Analytics or Elsevier’s Scopus, including sum of times cited)

b. Number of thesis and dissertations of advisees of the nominee

c. Research funding

d. Extension outreach activities

e. Other awards, including invited presentations, special recognitions, patents, germplasm development, and/or books and proceedings (written or edited)

f. Up to three letters of support from others in the same field will be accepted (optional)

g. A one-page summary of program accomplishments

Innovator of the Year Award
The purpose of this award is to recognize faculty for their creativity in innovation and entrepreneurship. Nominated faculty should have a regionally, nationally or internationally recognized invention, methodology, product, service, program or process that has had a significant impact on the scientific discipline, businesses, communities, and industries.

Nominees will be evaluated on:

a. Uniqueness of the innovation and what makes this innovation particularly notable

b. The potential impact of the innovation on revenue, cost savings, social value, value to business and industry and/or value to well-being of animals and human beings

c. Any awards, patents, licenses, grants and contracts obtained as a result of the innovation

d. A one-page description of the innovation
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Nominee(s): (Name, title, department)

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Signatures:

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Primary Nominator (print)  Primary Nominator signature

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Department Chair (print)  Department Chair signature