The Faculty Subcommittee on Sponsored Programs invites nominations for the Excellence in Research, Scholarship, and/or Creative Activity Award

**DEADLINE: Monday, March 29, 2019, 4:30 p.m.**

In recognition of the critical links between active engagement in scholarship and excellence in teaching, the Excellence in Research, Scholarship, and/or Creative Activity Award recognizes faculty who exemplify the teacher-scholar model in their professional development at Sonoma State. The award provides faculty with funds to support their continued engagement in research.

In the 2018-2019 cycle, one recipient will receive a cash award and will be conferred for excellence in scholarship, research and/or creative activity. The funds may be used for any purpose that directly supports the scholarly work of the faculty member. Appropriate expenses might include:

- Traveling to present scholarship at conferences, to collect primary data, to do archival research, etc.
- Funding undergraduate or graduate assistants
- Purchasing equipment and specialized supplies not normally available
- Other fully justified expenses may be considered at the discretion of the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP)

Award notification will be made in April 2019 and presented at the University Award Ceremony April 26, 2019.

**Award Procedures and Criteria**

Applications will be submitted through the Infoready link found at: [https://sonoma.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1784038](https://sonoma.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1784038) and evaluated by the Faculty Subcommittee on Sponsored Programs. The committee will forward recommendations to Provost Vollendorf for final selection. The award will be administered by the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs.

**Nominating Process**

The Award will be determined from nominations submitted to the committee. Nominations may come from anyone in the university community; self-nominations will not be accepted. FSSP will solicit Deans, Department Chairs, and Chairs of RTP committees directly for nominations.

Nomination packets must include (12 pt., single space) and are to be uploaded to the Infoready site: [https://sonoma.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1784038](https://sonoma.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1784038)

1. Nomination Letter that speaks to the ways in which the candidate exemplifies the teacher-scholar model;
2. Brief statement of support from the faculty member’s Dean
3. Additional Letter of Support (optional but limited to one letter); and
4. Current CV.
Eligibility
Probationary (tenure-track) and tenured faculty at SSU may be nominated for this award. Preference will be given to those who have not previously received this award. Prior award winners can be found at: http://web.sonoma.edu/orsp/internal.

Criteria
Application packets will be evaluated for evidence of:

- Excellence in research/scholarship/creative activities demonstrated by evidence such as:
  a) Publications
  b) Presentations, exhibits and performances
  c) External grants

- Demonstrated impact of research/scholarship/creative activities on one or more of the following:
  a) Teaching (e.g., engagement of undergraduate or graduate students in scholarly or creative projects, development of innovative curriculum or pedagogy that reflects new knowledge in their academic discipline).
  b) University and surrounding community (e.g., contributions to campus programs, community outreach, diversity and sustainability initiatives).
  c) The broader community and academic discipline (e.g., activities that benefit society through the application and extension of new knowledge, enhanced cultural awareness, or innovative artistic expression).

Incomplete packets or those submitted after the deadline will be returned without review.

How to submit a nomination
Upload the required nomination documents to the Infoready link at https://sonoma.infoready4.com/#competitionDetail/1784038 no later than Monday March 29, 2019, 4:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your school representative to the FSSP (listed below) or the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP).

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