

Outstanding Faculty Awards

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Introduction



Overview

- **The General Assembly and Governor created the Outstanding Faculty Awards program in 1986**
- **Administered by SCHEV since 1987**
- **At least 12 recipients chosen every year**
- **Funded by Dominion Energy since 2005**
 - **Each recipient receives \$7,500**
 - **Over \$1.6 million awarded**

Categories of Awards

- At least one from each category:
 - a. Research/Doctoral Institution
 - b. Masters/Comprehensive Institution
 - c. Baccalaureate Institution
 - d. Two-Year Institution
- Two Rising Stars
- Number of nominations is based on the size of the institution

Review Process

1. Nominations due to SCHEV by the end of September
 2. Peer Review stage – identifies the finalists (top 25%)
 3. Final Review Panel selects recipients
- Timeline is condensed
 - Relies on volunteers and institutional cooperation

Peer Reviewers

- Who are the peer reviewers?
 - Faculty experts
- Work with the Provosts to identify reviewers
- Review for 2-3 years

Final Review Panel

- **Composed of:**
 - **Members of Council**
 - **Members of the academic community**
 - **Leaders in business, community, and government**
- **Typically, 12 recipients are chosen**

Trends

- **Number of nominations relatively stable**
 - 85 submissions for the 2022 cycle
 - 72 submissions for 2021 cycle
 - 85 submissions for 2020 cycle
- **Category trends**
 - Submissions correlate with the number of nominations allocated
 - Some categories have been relatively stable since 2000 (Research/Doctoral and Rising Star)
 - Some categories have seen decreasing numbers of nominations (Baccalaureate and Two-Year)
- **Historically, relatively low number of submissions from private institutions, HBCUs, and two-year institutions**
 - For the 2022 cycle, we had 6 private institutions, 1 HBCU, and 6 two-year institutions represented

Not just a teaching award...

Record of superior accomplishment each of four areas:

1. Teaching
2. Discovery
3. Integration of Knowledge
4. Service

2022 Recipients

Ackley, Liz	Roanoke College	Health & Exercise	Assoc. Professor
Adams, Leah*	George Mason University	Psychology	Asst. Professor
Albanese, Jay	Virginia Commonwealth University	Criminal Justice	Professor
Alleyne, Lauren	James Madison University	English	Professor
Doll, Michelle*	Virginia Commonwealth University	Internal Medicine	Asst. Professor
Ekirch, Roger	Virginia Tech	Distinguished Prof.	Professor
Geary, Thomas	Tidewater Community College	English	Professor
Konadu, Kwabena	Northern Virginia Community College	Cybersecurity	Professor
Leopold, Michael	University of Richmond	Chemistry	Professor
Lewis, Erica	James Madison University	Nursing	Assoc. Professor
Marr, Linsey	Virginia Tech	Civil & Env. Eng.	Professor
Shehu, Amarda	George Mason University	Computer Science	Professor

Questions?

