

MEMORANDUM

To: Deans and University Librarian
Department Chairs and School Directors
All Faculty Members

From: Daniel Archambault
Chair, Research Excellence Award Committee

Date: November 20, 2020

Re: **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2020-2021 RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARD**

The Office of the Vice-President, Research is pleased to announce the call for nominations for the 2020-2021 Laurentian University Research Excellence Award. Attached you will find an outline of the eligibility criteria and procedures, as well as a list of past Research Excellence Award Recipients.

Please note that faculty members holding Research Chairs are not eligible for this Award. Research Chairs typically have reduced teaching loads so that they can allocate more of their time to research. The Research Excellence Award takes into account the need for balance between research, a regular teaching load and administrative duties.

The deadline for submissions is **Friday, December 18, 2020**. Please send nominations in a single electronic PDF document by email to Lynn Leclerc (lleclerc@laurentian.ca) or as Google Drive document.

Thank you!



Daniel Archambault, PhD
Director, Office of Research Services

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Encl.

RESEARCH AWARD RECIPIENTS

2019-2020	Alain Doom
2018-2019	Amadeo Parissenti
2017-2018	Jacqueline Litzgus
2016-2017	Harold Gibson
2015-2016	Annie Roy-Charland
2014-2015	James Watterson
2013-2014	Kabwe Nkongolo
2012-2013	Tammy Eger
2011-2012	N/A
2010-2011	Carol Kauppi
2009-2010	N/A
2008-2009	Belaid Aouni
2007-2008	Henri Pallard
2006-2007	Gary Kinsman
2005-2006	N/A
2004-2005	Luis Radford
2003-2004	N/A
2002-2003	Yves Alarie
2001-2002	N/A
2000-2001	N/A
1999-2000	Bernadette Schell
1998-1999	N/A
1997-1998	Gustavo Arteca
1996-1997	Douglas Parker
1995-1996	Simon Laflamme
1994-1995	Robert Jensen
1993-1994	John Lewko
1992-1993	Peter Kaiser
1991-1992	Joseph Shorthouse
1990-1991	Gertrud Lewis
1989-1990	Brian H. Kaye
1988-1989	Michael Persinger
1987-1988	Bruce Ward
1986-1987 *	Paul Copper

* First year of award

Research Excellence Award

- 1) Letter of Nomination** (Dean, University Librarian, Chair/Director, or 3 colleagues)
- 2) Curriculum Vitae**
- 3) Publications** (last 2 years)
- 4) Research Funding/Grants**
 - a) External
 - b) Internal
- 5) Research Presentations**
- 6) Awards**
- 7) Student Training**
- 8) Letters of Recognition**
 - a) External (i.e. national or international adjudication committees)
 - b) Internal (i.e. peers, administrators)
 - c) Students

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Eligibility

To recognize outstanding research performance, Laurentian University established a **Research Excellence Award**. Full-time faculty members may be nominated for the Award if they:

- ◆ have been successful in one or several areas of research in the past five calendar years;
- ◆ are judged to be "outstanding", rather than merely "very good";
- ◆ appear to have contributed to the advancement of knowledge in an original and creative way;
- ◆ are perceived as having enhanced through their research, the prestige and reputation of Laurentian University;
- ◆ have a profile that includes regular teaching and administrative duties.
- ◆ Please note that Research Chairs are ineligible for this award.

Criteria

Although members of the Selection Committee are free to weigh different aspects of research and different sources of evidence, preference is given to the following criteria:

- ◆ completed and published work during their research career **with emphasis on the last five years**;
- ◆ quality and originality of the contribution, whether it is in the applied, artistic, professional, scientific, or other area of academic endeavour;
- ◆ external research grants and/or contract research administered by Laurentian University inasmuch as external funding is appropriate to the discipline or the study area;
- ◆ recognition by the national or international academic community;
- ◆ success in creating a research environment or in strongly advancing Laurentian University's research reputation.

Selection Committee

The Office of the Vice-President, Research will call for nominations at large to serve on the Selection Committee. The Selection Committee will have one representative from each faculty and the Library. The Director of the Office of Research Services will serve as voting Chair. The mandates of the elected members will be for a 2-year period with 50% being elected each year.

Procedures

- ◆ Nominations will be accepted either from a Dean, the University Librarian, a Chair/Director, or three colleagues from any department. Self-nominations will not be accepted.
- ◆ Although no standard form of submission is required, a suggested outline is included. It is the Sponsors' responsibility to provide *sufficient evidence* from as many sources as possible, to make it clear that *outstanding work* deserving of recognition has been done.
- ◆ ***Evidence of outstanding performance must include an updated resume, a list of published works in the last two years. Other evidence that could be submitted includes the following: proof of external research funding awards and/or other prize-winning awards, testimonial letters of recognition (including being asked to sit on national or international adjudication committees, endorsements from peers, alumni, or administrators) and any other relevant information. Please send nominations in a single electronic pdf document by email (lleclerc@laurentian.ca) or Google Drive document.***

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- ◆ The Award will be bestowed only when *evidence of outstanding performance* is found.
- ◆ Letters of nomination with full supporting documentation should be sent to the Office of the Vice-President, Research, **by 4:00 p.m., Friday, December 18, 2020. *The dossier must be complete.***
- ◆ The successful candidate will be honoured at the Spring Convocation.
- ◆ The winner will become eligible again for the Award only after her/his sabbatical has been completed.
- ◆ The Selection Committee may use external reviewers for advice.

Award

The award will be in the form of a stipend of \$15,000. This stipend can be deferred until the recipient is on sabbatical and can either be added to the recipient's salary or paid as a sabbatical research grant (provided the proper forms and approval are obtained).

ALL NOMINATIONS WILL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.