Engineering Distinguished Researcher Award

NOMINATIONS TO ERGP@KSU.EDU by March 25, 2016

The College of Engineering Distinguished Researcher Award recognizes sustained and consistent research excellence by a full-time full professor within the college. The award was established in 2016 to recognize significant achievements over a person’s research career. The award, in the amount of $3000 and a certificate, is presented annually at the Faculty Awards Convocation during the fall semester. A photograph will be displayed in a prominent location in the Engineering Complex atrium for one year and then given to the awardee.

Eligibility for the award:
Any full-time full professor is eligible who has been an employee of the College of Engineering for at least five years. No individual is eligible to receive this award more than once.

Performance Period:
The award is based upon career research accomplishments.

Evaluation Criteria: The selection committee uses the following criteria for this award:

Sustained and consistent research activities including most of the following:
  o External funding support and expenditures
  o Refereed Publications and Citations
  o Intellectual Products including Patents and Disclosures
  o National and International Research awards
  o Research mentoring and Team building including collaborative funding
  o Graduate program accomplishments including PhD student mentoring
  o Outstanding impact of work on his/her profession and K-State

Nomination and application deadlines:
Any K-State engineering faculty member may nominate one individual annually for this award. Please email the following information to ERGP@ksu.edu by Friday, March 25, 2016 – name and department of nominee, and name and department of nominator. Nominees will be notified immediately and invited to submit application materials by April 29, 2016.

Nominee’s Application:
To become a candidate for this award, each nominee must provide the following information to the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Programs who coordinates the Engineering Research Awards and Professional Recognition Committee.

- A letter, not exceeding three pages, describing career accomplishments of the nominee based upon the above criteria, including a statement describing the nominee’s most significant accomplishments during this time period.
- Completed two page achievement summary form.
- A current curriculum vita including publications, research funding history, graduate student supervision, graduate courses taught, awards.
- Three (3) letters of recommendation in support of the application (previous nominees may use reference letters from the previous two years). At least two of the letters should be from sources external to K-State. Each reference letter should include a paragraph on the interactions and relationship of the reference to the nominee.

**Research Awards and Professional Recognition Committee:**
The Research Awards and Professional Recognition Committee is responsible for the selection of the Engineering Distinguished Researcher Award. One faculty member from each academic department in the College of Engineering shall serve on the committee. No faculty member may serve more than three consecutive years. In addition, the committee must contain at least two assistant and two associate professors. The Associate Dean of Research and Graduate Programs (ADRGP) will appoint the committee members based upon recommendations received from each department head. The ADRGP serves as a non-voting ex officio member and chairs the committee.

** Note that the 2017 Distinguished Researcher Award process will follow a similar timeline to the Frankenhoff Award with the nominations due in late February and applications due in early April.