



**YORK  
UNIVERSITY  
PRESIDENT'S EMERGING RESEARCH LEADERSHIP AWARD**

The York University President's Emerging Research Leadership Award recognizes full-time faculty members within 10 years of their first academic appointment, who have had a notable impact on their field(s) and made a significant contribution to advancing the University's international reputation for research excellence while significantly and positively contributing to one or more aspects of the York community's intellectual life.

**AWARD VALUE**

\$5000 internal research grant deposited to the recipient's generic research cost centre.

**ELIGIBILITY**

- This award is inclusive of all individuals with tenure-stream appointments at York who are between five and 10 years of their first academic appointment.
- This honour demands outstanding emerging research achievement providing the promise of long term leadership in their field.
- At least five years of that research must have been completed while the nominee held a faculty appointment at York.
- Faculty members on the adjudication committee are not eligible for nomination. Should a member of the Senate Committee on Awards be nominated for this award, s/he must step down from the Committee.

**NOMINATION CRITERIA**

The nominee's achievements must be documented to demonstrate his or her fulfillment of the following general requirements:

- The research should include contributions to the nominee's field(s) of scholarship at a high level.
- The research should hold the promise of major impact on the related discipline or field of study and/or practice.
- The nominee should be developing an international reputation for research excellence and have made a significant contribution to the University's research culture and reputation.

Research achievement will have included peer assessment and will have entailed publication or other internationally-recognized and accepted demonstrations of authoritative scholarship or creative contribution.

Nominees must have demonstrated their leadership not only as outstanding emerging researchers, but also as notable contributors to York's intellectual community. Examples may include, but are not limited to:

- mentoring students, postdoctoral fellows and contributing critical input in the assistance of colleagues
- on a pathway towards leadership of collaborative research programs or research centres
- attracting talented graduate students or postdoctoral fellows to York
- building linkages with other institutions, such as universities, colleges or on-government organizations and/or engaging in entrepreneurial activities.
- securing significant external research funding for York
- making York a more innovative research institution

While the principal criteria are set out above, York strongly values diversity and equity within its research community and encourages nominations of those who are under-represented in recent competitions.

## **NOMINATION PROCESS**

A complete nomination includes a nomination form, letter of nomination, nominee's current curriculum vitae, and confidential letters of support (max. 3, at least one from within the York community. See below for more information on each component of the file. The nominator must submit the nomination file to the Secretary, Senate Committee on Awards.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Committee shall, in confidence, provide a complete copy of the file to the Dean of the nominee's home Faculty and shall invite the Dean to provide a confidential letter of commentary on the nomination.

## **NOMINATION FILE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

Complete files must be submitted either entirely by hardcopy or electronically.

- [Nomination Form](#)
- **Nominator's Letter** – The nominator's letter must explain how the nominee meets the award's criteria. It will serve as the core of each nomination file. It should outline:
  - themes and evolution of the nominee's sustained research contributions
  - the impact said contributions have made to his or her field(s) of study and discipline
  - contributions the nominee has made to furthering York's intellectual life major scholarly, professional and/or artistic accomplishments
  - evidence of national and international recognition and reputation
- **Nominee's Current Curriculum Vitae**
- **Confidential Letters of Support** – A maximum of three letters of support, at least one of which must be from an individual within the York University community.

To ensure equal consideration and treatment of all nominees, additional documentation or documentation over the specified word limit for the letter from the nominee will not be considered.