



YORK UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT'S RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARD

The York University President's Research Excellence Award recognizes senior established, full-time, active faculty members at the rank of Professor, with distinguished scholarly achievements 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

\$10,000 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.
- This honour demands sustained, outstanding and continuing research achievement of excellent quality.
- 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 have made a major impact on the related discipline or field of study and/or practice.
- The nominee should have 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 normally have entailed sustained publication or other internationally-recognized and accepted demonstrations of authoritative scholarship or creative contribution.

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

- mentoring students and junior colleagues
- leading a research centre or collaborative research program
- attracting talented graduate students or postdoctoral fellows to York
- building linkages with other institutions, such as universities, colleges or non-government organizations
- securing significant research funding for York
- making York a more innovative research institution

NOMINATION PROCESS

A complete nomination includes a nomination form, letter of nomination, nominee's current curriculum vitae, confidential letters of support (max. 5, at least two from within the York community) and a letter from the nominee (max. 1,000 words). 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.

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 in 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 five letters of support, at least two of which must be from individuals within the York University community.
- **Letter from Nominee** – The nominee's acknowledgement of the award nomination, which should reflect on those aspects of her or his career that most concretely demonstrate the award's criteria (maximum 1,000 words).

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.