

Memorandum

TO: Deans, Department Chairs and Heads

FROM: Evelyn Jacobson and David Wilson
Associate Vice Chancellors for Academic Affairs

DATE: August 24, 2009

RE: Academic Year 2009-2010
College, Campus and University-wide Awards

PLEASE DISTRIBUTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO FACULTY ASAP

Award information and nomination forms are available on the web at:
<http://www.unl.edu/svcaa/honors/internal>

University-wide award information and nomination forms (OTICA, ORCA, UDTA, and IDEA) are available on the web at: <http://www.nebraska.edu/recognition-and-awards.html>

Award recipients will be honored at the University Honors Convocation in the spring.

Where to send nominations:

Nominations for the Outstanding Research and Creative Activity Award (ORCA) are sent directly to the Office of the Provost, Jeanne Holdren, ORCA Awards Selection Committee, 133 Varner Hall, 3835 Holdrege, Lincoln NE 68583-0743. **Please be aware that nominations and supporting materials must be submitted to the Provost's Office in .pdf format on CD.**

Nominations and supporting materials for all other awards (including the OTICA, UDTA, and IDEA) should be sent electronically in .pdf format to svcaaoffice@unlnotes.unl.edu. **Academic Affairs will forward a CD to Central Administration with the nomination and supporting materials of the selected candidates.**

Note that nominations and supporting materials are to be forwarded by colleges, which will have their own earlier deadlines.

Deadlines for receipt of nominations:

October 26, 2009 (Due in the Office of the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs)

- Outstanding Teaching and Instructional Creativity Award (OTICA)
- University-wide Departmental Teaching Award (UDTA)
- Innovation, Development, and Entrepreneurship Award (IDEA)

November 16, 2009 (Due in Provost's Office)

- Outstanding Research and Creative Activity Award (ORCA)

Third Friday in January 2010: (nominations and supporting materials due electronically in .pdf format in the Office of the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs)

- Harold and Esther Edgerton Junior Faculty Award
- College Distinguished Teaching Awards (DTA)
- Distinguished Teaching Award in the Humanities (The Annis Chaikin Sorensen Award)

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COLLEGE AND CAMPUS AWARDS

Harold and Esther Edgerton Junior Faculty Award (send nominations and supporting materials electronically in.pdf format to svcaaoffice@unlnotes.unl.edu by the third Friday in January 2010). One award, the total amount to be \$5,000. The award will ordinarily be expended over a two-year period as a \$3,000 professional development fund available to support research and educational activities such as travel or equipment purchases, and a \$2,000 salary supplement (\$1,000 per year).

The award shall be made by the Chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln from among faculty members nominated by the Deans, and reviewed by a committee consisting of two members of the Academy of Distinguished Teachers, two University professors, and a representative of the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

If you have any questions about this award or procedure, contact Evelyn Jacobson (472-3751 e-mail ejacobson1@unl.edu).

College Distinguished Teaching Awards (send names of nominees electronically in .pdf format to svcaaoffice@unlnotes.unl.edu by the third Friday in January 2010) - Fifteen faculty members will be given distinguished teaching awards upon the recommendation of the colleges. These faculty members will receive a \$1,000 cash award through funds provided by the Nebraska Legislature. The distribution among Colleges is as follows:

Agriculture	1
Arts and Sciences	6
Business Administration	1
Engineering	2
Education and Human Sciences	3
Fine and Performing Arts	1
Law	1

Each college should send a letter naming the individuals recommended for the College Distinguished Teaching Awards based on the College's procedures, which should provide for input from a variety of individuals.

Distinguished Teaching Award in the Humanities: The Annis Chaikin Sorensen Award (send nominations and supporting materials electronically in .pdf format to svcaaoffice@unlnotes.unl.edu by the third Friday in January 2010). Colleges are invited to nominate one or two full-time faculty members from the humanities disciplines, as defined by the Faculty Senate: Art, Classics, Communication Studies, English, History, Modern Languages and Literatures, Journalism, Libraries, Music, Philosophy, Theatre Arts, ROTC, Museum, Athletic Department and all departments in the College of Architecture. One \$2,000 award presented for outstanding teaching in the humanities.

Nominations will be reviewed and a final selection recommended by the Teaching Council.

If you have any questions about this award or procedure, contact David Wilson (472-3751 e-mail dwilson2@unl.edu).

UNIVERSITY-WIDE AWARDS

Outstanding Research and Creative Activity Award (ORCA) (due in Provost's Office November 16, 2009): Please be aware that nominations and supporting materials **must be submitted to the Provost's Office in .pdf format on a CD.** Two Outstanding Research and Creative Activity Awards are presented each year in honor of outstanding research or creative activity of national/international significance conducted by individual full-time faculty members at the University of Nebraska. The awards are given for a sustained record of excellent accomplishment in research or creative activity, rather than "meritorious service."

Only one award may be presented in each of the two following academic areas: Group 1: Arts and Humanities (including Creative and Performing Arts), Business and Social Sciences, and Professional Education; and Group 2: Biological Sciences, Physical Sciences, and Medical Sciences. However, an award need not be made to either group in any given year. The recipients are honored at an awards ceremony in the spring and are each awarded \$10,000, an award medallion, and a plaque. If you have any questions about the ORCA nominating process, please contact Jeanne Holdren, at 472-7146.

Outstanding Teaching and Instructional Creativity Award (OTICA) (send nominations and supporting materials electronically in.pdf formation by October 26, 2009 to svcaaoffice@unlnotes.unl.edu): Honors members of the University of Nebraska faculty who have developed meritorious and sustained records of excellence in teaching and creativity related to teaching. Nomination forms, a list of materials to be included with nominations, and a copy of the OTICA guidelines have been mailed to all faculty by the Provost.

The recipients are honored at an awards ceremony in the spring and are each awarded \$10,000, an award medallion, and a plaque. Nominations will be reviewed by the Teaching Council and recommendations forwarded to the Provost for the University-wide competition. UNL may forward up to eight (8) nominees.

If you have any questions about this award or procedure, contact David Wilson (472-3751 e-mail dwilson2@unl.edu).

University-wide Departmental Teaching Award (UDTA) (send nominations and supporting materials electronically in .pdf format by October 26, 2009 to svcaaoffice@unlnotes.unl.edu):

Honors a department/unit at the University of Nebraska that has made a unique and significant contribution to the teaching efforts of the University and that exhibits outstanding esprit de corps in its dedication to the education of students at the undergraduate, graduate, or professional levels. Nomination forms, a list of materials to be included with nominations, and a copy of the UDTA guidelines have been mailed to all faculty by the Provost.

Nominations will be reviewed by the Teaching Council and recommendations forwarded to the Provost for the University-wide competition. UNL may forward up to four (4) nominees. Twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) is awarded to the honored department. The faculty members of the chosen department are honored at an awards ceremony in the spring.

If you have any questions about this award or procedure, contact David Wilson (472-3751 e-mail dwilson2@unl.edu).

Innovation, Development, and Entrepreneurship Award (IDEA) (send nominations and supporting materials electronically in .pdf format by October 26, 2009 to svcaaoffice@unlnotes.unl.edu):

Honors faculty members who have extended their academic expertise beyond the boundaries of the University in ways that have enriched the broader community. Up to two awards of \$10,000, a presidential medallion and a plaque shall be presented to the honored recipients. Nomination forms, a list of materials to be included with nominations, and a copy of the IDEA guidelines have been mailed to all faculty by the Provost.

Nominations will be reviewed by an award committee, members to be appointed by the SVCAA, and recommendations forwarded to the Provost for the University-wide competition. UNL may forward up to three (3) nominees.

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