Faculty Research and Innovation Award

Description:
➢ To recognize the outstanding individual contributions of new staff members in the areas of research or innovation.

General:
➢ This award is administered and granted by the Office of the Dean, Faculty of Agricultural, Life & Environmental Sciences and is open to staff members within this Faculty.
➢ The purpose of the award is to recognize new staff members with less than 10 years from the completion of a doctoral degree (or equivalent qualification). Emphasis will be placed on those achievements that contribute theoretically as well as to the practice of the discipline, and in a direct way further contribute to the Faculty’s strategic goals.
➢ Associate Dean (Research) will be responsible for administering the award selection process. A committee consisting of 4 academic staff (one from each Department) within the Faculty will determine the recipient.
➢ Nominations will be accepted from faculty members, graduate students, research associates or any other person(s) knowledgeable of the significance of the individual’s achievement.

Criteria used for assessing nominees:
➢ the significance of the research or innovation to include original works of art
➢ the impact of the research or the innovation to the advancement of the field, both nationally and internationally,
➢ the distinction that the research or the innovation has brought to the Faculty and the University of Alberta.

Application guidelines:
➢ The nomination package shall include:
  ▪ A biosketch of the nominee which can be used at the awards presentation (maximum one page).
  ▪ A description of the nominee’s qualifications giving examples of how they have contributed in the area of research and innovation. (maximum two pages)
  ▪ Three letters of support: one from the nominee’s Department Chair or their representative (i.e. the Acting Chair), and two additional letters that may include letters from colleagues at the University of Alberta; researchers at other universities; and community, industry or government representatives
  ▪ Abbreviated CV.
  ▪ Any other supporting documentation or testimonials pertinent to evaluating the level of the contribution.
  ▪ Please note that undergraduate teaching shall not constitute part of the evaluation, however, graduate teaching and supervision which is relevant to the nominee’s research area may be considered.
➢ Nominators are welcome to resubmit the name and credentials of a nominee previously supported.
Application deadline:
- Nomination deadline is October 12, 2012. Nominations should be submitted electronically in PDF format to the Associate Dean (Research) c/o Geeta Sehgal gsehgal@ualberta.ca.

Award:
- The Faculty will grant one award per year. A formal presentation will be made at the fall Faculty Awards ceremony.