



OVPR Internal Grants and Awards

Creative Research Medal Guidelines

Program Snapshot

Title	Creative Research Medal
Purpose	Recognition of outstanding accomplishment in research and creativity for a research project or creative activity with a single coherent theme.
Deadlines	First Tuesday in November
Eligibility	Faculty at the University of Georgia.
Amounts	\$500 award
Questions?	Please email questions to ovprip@uga.edu

Program Description

The centerpiece of the University's tripartite mission of teaching, research and service is the expansion of humankind's knowledge and the creation of new understanding. It is the breadth and depth of such pursuits that establish the quality of a university.

The Creative Research Medal is awarded by the University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc., to faculty as recognition of outstanding accomplishment in research and creativity for a research project or creative activity with a single coherent theme. Faculty at the University of Georgia are nominated for the Creative Research Medal by their colleagues and chosen by a committee of distinguished faculty representing both the humanities and sciences. Each year individuals who have carried out a research project or creative endeavor of truly outstanding quality are honored this way.

Eligibility Criteria

Faculty members, active or emeritus, are eligible for the Creative Research Medal. An individual who receives the medal may be nominated for a different project no sooner than five years after the first award.

The principal thrust of the project must have occurred within the past five years and should be identified with the University of Georgia. Projects may draw upon roots more distant, but their creative centers should be related to this University and should have occurred recently.

Budget/Funding

The award consists of \$500. The recipients will be recognized at the UGARF Research Awards Banquet in the spring.

Nomination Procedures and Documentation

Nominations may be made by a department, school, college or other appropriate unit. The procedures adopted for selecting a nominee may vary according to the nature of the unit involved. Where

circumstances dictate, as in the case of cross-disciplinary research not uniquely associated with any single unit, a nomination may also be made by a group of faculty members.

The nomination must be submitted electronically through the [online submission form](#). Save and return is not available on the online submission form. Nominators should have information and documents prepared for upload prior to completing the form. Documents are required as .pdf file format. Clicking "Submit" is a final transmission of the nomination. A template of the online submission form is attached to the end of these guidelines. The required nomination materials are listed below.

The nomination consists of the following sections:

- Nomination information (form entry):
 - Nominee information, including nominee's year of initial appointment at UGA
 - Nominator information
 - Reviewer's Qualifications to indicate the qualifications of each person evaluating the nominee in the letters of support.
 - Nomination abstract
- UPLOAD: Cover letter from nominator (UGA unit head or nomination group) describing the project and rationale for considering it outstanding. This justification may include reviews, citations, invited presentations, etc. Funding by external agencies, while not essential as an independent criterion, may be cited. Material such as books, reprints, slides, recordings, etc., should not be submitted. This section is limited to three (3) single-spaced pages.
- UPLOAD: Nominee's current curriculum vitae
- UPLOAD: Three letters in support of the nomination relating to the specific project. These letters should be from individuals well qualified in the field. It is encouraged that all three letters be external to the university. At least two letters are required to be from individuals not affiliated with the University of Georgia and are not associated with the project itself.

The material submitted to the selection committee must permit the committee, after selection of the awardee, to convey the significance of the research to the public and make apparent to scholars the excellence of the research accomplishments.

OVPB strongly supports diversity in all its programs. We encourage nominations of women and underrepresented minorities for these awards.

Nomination Deadlines

Nomination deadline is 5:00 pm the first Tuesday in November.

Evaluation Criteria and Procedures

Nominations must be based upon a research project or creative activity with a *single coherent theme* rather than a diverse body of work or a long-term record of productivity. The manifestation of such a project will vary according to its disciplinary area; for example, a book in history, a series of related papers in physics, a major collection of poems, etc. **It is important that the work has an identifiable focus of creativity and presents a *successful conclusion to a particular project or activity*, rather than being a record of advancement towards a long-term goal.**

The selection committee will look for originality, creativity and productivity and for an outstanding body of scholarly or creative activities that has gained national and international recognition. Factors to be considered will also include the scope and difficulty of the research, degree of innovation and

independent thought, development of new ideas, techniques and methodology, and the significance of the candidate's research or creative activity to his or her field.

Nominations will be evaluated by a committee of faculty members. Since members serving on this committee may not be experts in the nominee's field, it is important that nominations be submitted in language understandable to faculty in other disciplines.

Award Procedures and Conditions

Awards are presented annually. However, if there is a lack of outstanding candidates, an award may not be granted.

FAQ

Can I self-nominate?

The nomination needs to come from a department, school, college or other appropriate unit. Alternatively, if cross-disciplinary, a group of faculty can submit the nomination.



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Nomination Submission Form

Save and return is not available. Nominators should have documents prepared for upload prior to completing the form. Clicking "Submit" is a final transmission of the nomination.

Nominee Information

Nominee UGAID *

This is a secure transmission. The UGAID will not appear in emails.

Nominee Name *

First Name

Last Name

Nominee UGA Unit/Affiliation *

Nominee E-mail *

ex: myname@example.com

Nominee's Month and Year of Initial Appointment at UGA *

Nominator Information

Nominations may be made by a UGA unit. When circumstances dictate, as in the case of cross-disciplinary research not uniquely associated with any single unit, a nomination may also be made by a group of UGA faculty members. Select one of the options below.

Nomination made by: *

- UGA unit
- Group of UGA faculty members

Staff Contact Name (if applicable):

Staff Contact Email:

ex: myname@example.com

Reviewer's Qualifications

Support Letter 1 - Name, affiliation and qualifications *

Support Letter 2 – Name, affiliation and qualifications *

Support Letter 3 – Name, affiliation and qualifications *

Nomination Abstract

Summary of the SINGLE project or activity on which the nomination is based. Nominations must be based upon a research project or creative activity with a single coherent theme rather than a diverse body of work or a long-term record of productivity. It is important that the work has an identifiable focus of creativity and presents a successful conclusion to a particular project or activity, rather than being a record of advancement towards a long-term goal. *

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Upload Nomination Contents (PDF files only):

Cover letter from nominator (UGA unit head or nomination group) describing the project and rationale for considering it outstanding (limited to three single-spaced pages). *

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Nominee's curriculum vitae. *

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Letter of recommendation 1. *

No file selected.

Letter of recommendation 2. *

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Letter of recommendation 3. *

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