CREATIVE RESEARCH AWARDS

Award Description and Eligibility

- Creative Research Awards recognize an established investigator whose research/creative accomplishments at UGA and overall scholarly body of work have had a major impact on the field of study and have established the investigator’s international reputation as a leader in the field. Nominations should clearly describe the scope and significance of the investigator’s work, how this contribution has influenced the field of study, and evidence of the nominee’s status as an internationally respected scholar in the field.

- Awards are given annually in each of three discipline areas, named for three renowned UGA professors:
  - Humanities and the Arts: the Albert Christ-Janer Award
  - Natural Sciences and Engineering: the Lamar Dodd Award
  - Social and Behavioral Sciences: the William A. Owens Award

- Prize: $2,500 and framed art print
- Eligibility: Associate professors and full professors (tenure-track) who have been in residence at UGA for at least three years.

Nomination Process

- Nominations are first submitted to the nominee’s Dean’s office or Center/Institute Director for initial review. Deans’ offices and Center/Institute Directors then submit nominations to the Office of Research.

- Deans/Directors are strongly encouraged to solicit a pool of nominations that represent the full diversity of their faculty and forward only their most qualified candidates to the Office of Research.

- Deans’ offices and Center/Institute Directors will submit their nominations via UGA’s InfoReady Portal using the Creative Research Award Nomination Form.

- Final nominations must be submitted to the Office of Research from Deans’ offices or Centers/Institutes by November 1st. Contact your Dean’s office or Center/Institute Director for internal submission deadlines.

Nomination Materials

- The following nomination materials are required via the submission site:
  1. Dean/Director nomination letter (≤3 pages) to include:
     - Nominee name, rank, and date of faculty appointment at UGA,
     - Name of award and discipline area for which the nomination is being submitted,
     - Summary of nominee’s qualifications, including specific examples of how they meet the criteria for this award. Evidence will vary by discipline but may include publications, performances, inventions, awards, etc.
  2. Three letters of recommendation (≤3 pages each)
     - Do not submit additional letters.
     - At least 2 letters must be from external referees, exclusive of former mentors.
     - Must be dated within the past 2 years (as of application deadline) and specifically address qualifications for the Creative Research Award.
3. Brief bios (≤1 page total) of the 3 required referees, demonstrating suitability for evaluation of the nominee.
4. Nominee’s curriculum vitae in the recommended vita format described in the UGA P&T guide (Appendix H). Teaching details may be omitted.

Evaluation and Selection Process
- Nomination packages are reviewed by a discipline-specific committee of faculty.
- Recommendations are provided to the vice president for research who makes the final selections.

Contact for questions: ovprip@uga.edu

Office of Research strongly supports diversity in all its programs. Nominations of women and underrepresented minorities are encouraged. Nominators should ensure that nominees reflect unit diversity.