CREATIVE RESEARCH MEDALS

Award Description and Eligibility

- These medals recognize a distinct, exceptional research/creative project with extraordinary impact and significance to the field of study performed by a mid-career faculty member. Nominations should clearly describe the specific project being nominated and its impact on the field. *The Creative Research Medal should not be considered a “stepping stone” or prerequisite to the Creative Research Award, which recognizes a complete body of work rather than a discrete project.*

- Medals are given annual in each of three disciplines:
  - Humanities and the Arts
  - Natural Sciences and Engineering
  - Social and Behavioral Sciences

- Prize: $1,500

- Eligibility: 1) Associate professors or 2) full professors within 3 years of promotion. Must be tenured and have been in residence at UGA for at least three years.

Nomination Process

- Nomination occurs in a 2-step 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 nomination list via the Faculty Research Awards Nomination Form for Deans/Directors on UGA’s InfoReady Portal. Full instructions for submission of the required nominations materials can be found on the InfoReady form.

- The final nomination list 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:
  - 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,
    - Clear non-technical description of the specific project that is the basis of the nomination and its impact on the field.
  - 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 Medal.
- Brief bios (≤1 page total) of the 3 required referees, demonstrating suitability for evaluation of the nominee.
- 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.*