



Internal Grants & Awards

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POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH AWARD

Award Description and Eligibility

- In recognition of the integral role and remarkable contributions that postdoctoral research scholars make to the UGA research enterprise, awards will recognize research accomplishments from work performed in a UGA postdoctoral position
- Up to two awards given annually
- Prize: \$2,000
- Nominees must occupy a UGA Postdoctoral Research/Research & Teaching Associate, Fellow, or Fellow Adjunct position at the time of nomination for this award
- Research contributions recognized by the award must have resulted from research performed during this UGA appointment and must have resulted predominantly from efforts by the nominee

Nomination Procedures

- Nominations must initiate from the faculty mentor(s) of the postdoctoral research scholar.
- Faculty mentors should submit their nominations via [UGA's InfoReady Portal](#) using the Postdoctoral Research Award Nomination Form for Faculty Mentors.
- Final nominations must be submitted to the Office of Research by **November 1st**.

Required Nomination Materials

- Cover letter from the department head, dean or center/institute director supporting the nomination
- Letter of nomination from the scholar's faculty mentor (3 pp max) to include:
 - Scope and difficulty of the research, degree of innovation and independent thought and development of new ideas, techniques and methodology
 - Any sort of recognition that the nominee has garnered for this research accomplishment (e.g., invited contributions, publication in top journals, obtaining grants/fellowships, other awards)
- Nominee's description of the research upon which the nomination is based, including citations to resulting published work or presentations (2 pp max)
- Nominee's current curriculum vitae. **Important CV instructions: Do not include manuscripts in preparation or under revision. Clearly distinguish publications that arose from postdoctoral work at UGA from publications pertaining to previous work.** (4 pp max)

Evaluation and Selection Process

- Nomination packages are reviewed by a committee of faculty.
- Recommendations are provided to the vice president for research, who makes the final selections.
- The review committee will look for originality, creativity, and significance of the research accomplishment. Factors to be considered will also include the scope and difficulty of the research, degree of innovation and independent thought, and development of new ideas, techniques and methodology.

- It is advised that nomination packets (i) describe postdoc's individual contributions; (ii) clarify any possible misunderstandings about where the work was performed; (iii) describe how work is innovative compared with other methods already in use elsewhere; (iv) describe the work's novel conceptual contributions.
- It is important that nominations be submitted in language understandable to faculty in other disciplines and that nominations discuss how the research accomplishments and recognition compare to average outcomes inside the discipline.

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