



LSU Campus Correspondence

From: Office of Research & Economic Development

Date: January 9, 2008

To: Deans, Directors, Department Heads & Faculty

Since 1972, the Council on Research has presented the University-wide award of Distinguished Research Master in recognition of outstanding career accomplishments in research and scholarship. The recipient is chosen by the Council from nominees proposed from the University community. Nominations are solicited at this time for the 2007 competition. Four copies of each nomination, along with the original, should be forwarded to Dr. Todd Pourciau in the Office of Research and Economic Development, 130 David Boyd Hall, by 4:30 p.m., Monday, March 3, 2008.

Guidelines for nominations are listed below. Each nominee should have a nomination binder with tabs as indicated on the supporting documentation informational sheet (see below). Please indicate which category you would like your nominee to participate in: Distinguished Research Master of Arts, Humanities, or Social Sciences; or, Distinguished Research Master of Engineering, Science, or Technology.

The awards consist of the Chancellor's Medal, a certificate designating the recipient as a Distinguished Research Master and a \$1,500 annualized salary supplement. Announcement of the recipients will be made no later than April, 2008.

Recipients of the Distinguished Research Master award over the past five years include (for a complete listing see our website at <http://www.research.lsu.edu/drm.shtml>):

| Year | Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences | Engineering, Science, & Technology |
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| 2006 | James Garand Political Science | Jerry Draayer Physics & Astronomy |
| 2005 | Paul Hoffman History | Eugene Turner Oceanography & Coastal Sciences |
| 2004 | Cornelia Yarbrough Music | Brian Hales Chemistry |
| 2003 | Patrick McGee English | Arnold Bouma Geology & Geophysics |
| 2002 | Johnny Matson Psychology | Vijay Singh Civil & Environmental Engineering |

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Pourciau at 578-5833.

Sincerely,
Brooks A. Keel, Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor



Distinguished Research Master Award Guidelines

◆ *Eligibility and Procedure*

- ▶ Any full professor (with the exception of a current Boyd Professor) is eligible for the Distinguished Research Master awards, which consists of the Chancellor's Medal, a framed certificate and a \$1,500 annualized salary supplement. The career awards are intended to recognize individuals with a long-term record of truly distinguished research and scholarship while at LSU.
- ▶ Nominations may come from any faculty member but must be submitted through the appropriate department chair/unit head and dean/director, to the Council on Research. Four copies, along with the original, of each nomination must reach Todd Pourciau in the Office of Research and Economic Development, 130 David Boyd Hall by 4:30 p.m., Monday, March 3, 2008.
- ▶ The Council on Research will select the DRM. The two categories for nominations include: Distinguished Research Master of Arts, Humanities, or Social Sciences and Distinguished Research Master of Engineering, Science, or Technology.

◆ *Basis and Format*

- ▶ The career awards recognize a scholars significant contributions to research and creative scholarship on the national and international stage. Three conditions apply:

The nominee must have a sustained public scholarly and/or research record;

A substantial portion of the nominee's scholarly and/or research record must have been compiled while at Louisiana State University and A & M College;

The nominee's research and scholarship must have made a vital impact on the scholarly community in the nominee's field.

- ▶ Letters of nomination must indicate precisely the research or scholarship that is the basis for the nomination, as well as the DRM category in which the nominee is to be considered.

- ▶ In addition to the nomination letter and the endorsements of department chair/unit heads and dean/directors each nomination packet must include:

A current vita for the nominee. The format of the vita should be as follows: name of nominee; education with dates; employment history with dates; list of books, journal publications, conference presentations, performances and exhibitions with dates; list of theses and dissertations directed; grants funded including federal, state and private external sources with dates and amounts; patents and copyrights awarded; awards, lectureships, prizes, society memberships, professional fellowships, journal editorships and editorial review board memberships;

A minimum of three but no more than five letters of recommendation must come from prominent scholars who are located at peer universities or, where appropriate, at major research laboratories or federal agencies. These letters must directly address the scholarly and research contributions of the nominee. In addition, the letter should identify the writer's relationship with the DRM nominee (i.e. former student, major professor) if applicable.



Distinguished Research Master
Supporting Documentation

TAB 1

Nominating Letter
Supporting letter from Dean

TAB 2

Education (degrees with dates)
Employment History with dates

TAB 3

List of Publications/Performances/Exhibitions with dates
 Books and book chapters
 Monographs
 Edited volumes
 Journal Publications
 Conference Proceedings
 Conference Presentations
List of Theses/Dissertations directed
 Name, year, title

TAB 4

Grants awarded
Patents awarded
Copyrights awarded

TAB 5

Professional Recognition with year
 Awards
 Lectureships
 Prizes
 Society Memberships
 Fellowships
 Editorships
 Editorial Committees

TAB 6

Letters of recommendation
 Minimum of 3, maximum of 5

TAB 7

Appendix if needed