MEMORANDUM

TO: UNCW Faculty

FROM: James J. Winebrake, Ph.D., Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

DATE: January 12, 2021

SUBJECT: Call for Nominations: Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award

Purpose
The Provost’s Office seeks nominations for the Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award.

About the Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award
The purpose of the award is to recognize all aspects of excellence in scholarship, research, and creativity including activities that involve colleagues and students. There shall be up to two Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award Recipients each year. The recipient(s) will receive a medallion to wear at official ceremonies (the University Convocations and Commencements), and a stipend contingent on the availability of funds.

Eligibility
Nominees must be tenured faculty who have been at UNCW at least 5 years and are not previous recipients of this award.

Award Criteria
The following criteria are intended to encompass various aspects of scholarship, research, and artistic achievement at undergraduate and graduate levels across the University. Nominees should embody as many of the following criteria as possible:

• Focused scholarly, research, creative agenda

• Experience convening conferences, editing or reviewing submissions for journals or other publications, and evaluating grant applications for professional or academic organizations

• Established record of internal and external grant funding

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• Established record of collaborative research
• Integration of research into undergraduate and graduate courses and curriculum
• Guidance of students in thesis work, honors projects, or other research-related activities
• National and/or international peer recognition of scholarly contributions
• Innovative and/or original scholarly, research, creative contributions
• Demonstrated applications of research to benefit society

**Nomination Process**

Any faculty member may nominate any other faculty member via a letter to the Provost’s office. All letters of nomination must indicate how the nominee satisfies the criteria for consideration. Nominations must be received in the Provost’s office no later than **Monday, March 1, 2021.**

**Selection Process**

During the months of April and May the Faculty Senate Research Committee shall review the nominees' portfolios and select up to two recipients. The Research Committee Chair will forward the name(s) of the award recipient(s) to the Provost's office no later than May 31 (or the next business day if May 31 falls on a weekend.)

Announcement and presentation of the award will be made at the Fall Faculty Meeting by the Faculty Senate President. If you have any questions about this award, please contact Carol Ellis (ellispc@uncw.edu).