



2011 NORTH CAROLINA A&T RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The Division of Research and Economic Development (DORED) is soliciting nominations for 2011 Research Excellence Awards for University Senior Researcher, University Junior Researcher and Rookie of the Year.

Each school/college will select a Senior Researcher of the Year and Outstanding Junior Researcher. The winners at the school level will receive a plaque and small monetary award (\$500 for the Senior Researcher and \$300 for the Junior Researcher). The names of the Senior and Junior winners at the school/college level, and selections for the Rookie of the Year, and their application packets, will be forwarded to the Division of Research & Economic Development for review by the Research Awards Committee, whose members are appointed by the Chancellor.

There is no school/college level award for the Rookie of the Year. Schools and Colleges should send their *ONE* nominee for Rookie of the Year directly to DORED.

**ALL NOMINEES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO DORED BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS,
MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2011.**

Winners will be announced at the Honors Day Convocation on March 15, 2011. They will be invited to give presentations on Faculty Research Day, Thursday April 14, and will be honored at the Research Awards dinner on Friday April 15.

Eligibility

Up to three University Research Excellence Awards may be given each year. In the event of a tie in any category, recipients will split the monetary award. Criteria for each award are as follows:

- **Outstanding University Senior Researcher Award:** Nominees must be tenured faculty members currently conducting research and/or creative productivity. They must have been at North Carolina A&T State University for a minimum of three academic years before nomination. The stipulations are: (1) Nominees must have received Outstanding College Senior Researcher Award for this academic year; (2) Nominees are currently involved in research and/or creative work; (3) Previous recipients of the award within the past 10 years (Academic Year 2000-01 and later) are ineligible; and (4) Individuals should not be nominated for both this award and the Outstanding University Junior Researcher Award simultaneously. Faculty members who serve as

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deans or in other administrative positions at the school/college or university level are not eligible.

- **Outstanding University Junior Researcher Award (Outstanding Young Investigator):** Nominees must be tenure-track faculty members at North Carolina A&T State University and have completed their terminal degrees within the last 5 years. Guidelines are: (1) Nominees must have received Outstanding College Junior Researcher Award for this academic year; (2) Nominees are currently involved in research and must show promise of making a significant contribution to their field of study; (3) Previous recipients of the award are ineligible; and (4) Individuals should not be nominated for both this award and the Outstanding Senior Researcher Award simultaneously.
- **Outstanding University Research Initiative Award (Rookie of the Year):** Nominees must be tenure-track Assistant Professors in their second year of appointment at North Carolina A&T State University. They must demonstrate outstanding capability and exceptional promise for significant future achievement and potential value to the University.

Evaluation Guidelines and Criteria for Research & Creative Productivity

The evaluation of research and creative productivity requires consideration of a variety of factors and must consider the quality and significance of each contribution as well as sustained research and creative productivity. Factors used to evaluate meritorious research and creative productivity include but are not limited to:

1. Authorship or co-authorship of peer-reviewed published materials such as journal articles, articles at conference proceedings, monographs, books, book chapters, artistic works, software development, or other professional and technical documents;
2. Authorship or co-authorship of published materials such as editorially reviewed articles, articles in conference proceedings, translations, software development, cases, artistic works, or other professional and technical documents;
3. Citations received for his/her publications;
4. Competitive external or internal grants/contracts obtained related to research and creative productivity;
5. Fiscal responsibilities and submitting required grant and contract reports on time;
6. Outstanding contribution to the enhancement of the University's research capabilities (facilities and resources, research niche, marketability, relevance, recognition);
7. Outstanding research performance as evidenced by partnerships established internally and externally and by the formation of interdisciplinary teams;
8. Securing intellectual property disclosures, and patents/copyrights as results of conducting research and/or creative activities;
9. Production and presentation of radio and television works, films and videos related to the scholarly or creative activities;

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10. Refereeing, editing, and/or reviewing journal articles, grant proposals, and book manuscripts;
11. Serving for professional community such as organizing conferences, symposium, workshops, and/or performances at local, regional, national and international level;
12. Managing or serving as a consultant for exhibitions and performances; and
13. Other documented research or creative activities such as serving for professional societies and receiving national recognitions.

Note: Applicants' documents of the individual evidence of research and productivity performance must be listed in the above order.

Research Awards Committee

The Research Awards Committee that will evaluate and select winners is appointed by the Chancellor. This year's chairman is Dr. Solomon Bililign. Members of the committee are Dr. Lauren Davis, Dr. Ipek Goktepe, Dr. Cathy Kea, and Dr. Musibau Shofoluwe.