



THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

UWA Research Awards and Honours

The University of Western Australia recognises that major contributions to research and scholarship require commitment and dedication. In this new series of awards, the University wishes to acknowledge the efforts of outstanding members of the academe at different levels in their careers in meeting these exacting requirements and objectives.

Nominations are sought for the following awards:

The Vice-Chancellor's Senior Research Awards (8 awards @ \$2,500)

The Vice-Chancellor's Mid-Career Research Awards (up to 16 awards @ \$2,000)

The Vice-Chancellor's Research Awards for Early Career Investigators (up to 16 awards @ \$1,500)

The Vice-Chancellor's Award in Research Mentorship (1 award @ \$2,500)

The Vice-Chancellor's Award in Impact and Innovation (1 award @ \$10,000)

The first three of these awards will be made under the headings of the eight cluster groupings used for the ERA, namely:

- [Cluster 1: Physical, Chemical and Earth Sciences](#) - (PCE)
- [Cluster 2: Humanities and Creative Arts](#) - (HCA)
- [Cluster 3: Engineering and Environmental Sciences](#) - (EE)
- [Cluster 4: Education and Human Society](#) - (EHS)
- [Cluster 5: Economics and Commerce](#) - (EC)
- [Cluster 6: Mathematics, Information and Communication Sciences](#) - (MIC)
- [Cluster 7: Biological Sciences and Biotechnology](#) - (BB)
- [Cluster 8: Medical and Health Sciences](#) - (MHS)

All applications should be made electronically to the Office of the DVCR (shari.owen@uwa.edu.au) attention of the Awards Committee.

The deadline for receipt of applications is September 30 2014.

Awards will be announced during the University Research Week, November 3-7, 2014.

The Vice-Chancellor's Senior Research Award will be given annually for distinguished achievement in research or scholarship in each of the fields of Science and Medicine; Mathematics, Computer Sciences and Engineering; Business and Law; Arts and Humanities; and the Social Sciences and Education. The award is given for sustained career excellence as judged by original contribution, publication, performance, scholarly writing, support of trainees and innovation.

Nominations should be made by two senior faculty members and supported by three letters of reference, at least two of which should come from an authority of international standing from outside the University of Western Australia. The nomination package should include a short summary (400 words) describing the major contributions of the applicant and the rationale for the nomination, a full curriculum vitae, publication analysis and evidence of standing in the respective field. External letters of reference should be submitted directly to the Awards Committee.

The Award has a monetary value of \$2,500 AU

The Vice-Chancellor's Mid-Career Research Awards will be given annually for distinguished achievement in research or scholarship in each of the fields of Science and Medicine, Mathematics, Computer Science and Engineering, Business and Law, Arts and the Humanities, and the Social Sciences and Education. Up to three awards will be made in each of these fields on an annual basis, if there are suitable candidates. Recipients of this award will normally be within 15 years of receipt of their doctoral degree or equivalent. Any career interruptions should be explained.

Nominations will be made by at least two senior members of the UWA faculty and the nomination should be supported by three letters of reference, of which at least one should come from an authority of international standing from outside the University. The nomination package should include a short summary statement (about 400 words) describing the contributions of the applicant and rationale for the nomination, a full curriculum vitae, publication analysis, evidence of current standing and support of trainees and evidence of future promise in the field. External letters of reference should be submitted directly to the Awards Committee

Each Award has a monetary value of \$2,000 AU

The Vice-Chancellor's Research Award for Early Career Investigators will be given annually to young investigators within the first 7 years of receiving their PhD degree or research doctorate equivalent who have demonstrated exceptional promise of pursuing a career in research or scholarship. Any career interruptions should be explained. Up to three awards will be made in each of the fields of Science and Medicine, Mathematics, Computer Science and Engineering, Business and Law, Arts and the Humanities, and the Social Sciences and Education on an annual basis, if there are suitable candidates. Candidates should have established a publication record of high quality scholarly work, and will normally have obtained some independent funding to support their research.

The nomination package should include a short summary (400 words) describing the major contributions of the applicant and the rationale for the nomination, a full curriculum vitae, evidence of support of trainees and future promise in research. External letters of reference should be submitted directly to the Awards Committee.

Each Award has a monetary value of \$1,500 AU

The Vice -Chancellors Award in Research Mentorship will be given annually to an individual in any field of the University who has demonstrated exceptional qualities of mentorship of student research and/or scholarship. The awards will recognise not only the numbers of students that have been mentored and their output of scholarly material including peer review publications, but also the ability of the mentor to serve as a role model, create an environment that is inspirational and generate opportunities for student networking and future career development. These characteristics might apply similarly in interactions with high school students, students obtaining work experience, HDR students or post-doctoral trainees, or overseas interns.

The nomination should be made by the Head of School or a Faculty Dean, contain a clear statement of about 400 words justifying the nomination and accompanied by no more than 3 letters of support. The nomination package should include full curriculum vitae of the nominee.

This single award has a monetary value of \$2,500AU

The Vice-Chancellor's Award in Impact and Innovation will be given to a member or team of faculty or staff who has/have made a major contribution to innovation of research or scholarship within the last 5 years. The award can be in any field of study of the University. This single award will be given annually if there is a suitable nomination.

The applicant(s) should provide an account of the nature of the innovation, its impact or potential importance, community impact and knowledge translation, and any implications arising from the innovation. In the case of a team nomination, the contribution of the different team members should be described. The applicant(s) should describe plans for further development of the innovation, and describe briefly the way in which this award will help to realise that goal.

This single award has a monetary value of \$10,000