To recognize outstanding scholars on our campus, the Vice President for Research has designated the Scholarship Impact Award. This annual award recognizes faculty members whose scholarship has had a major impact nationally and/or internationally but who has not yet been recognized with the university’s highest designations of University Distinguished Professor and University Distinguished Teaching Scholar. The OVPR has expanded the SIA to provide two tracks for awards each year: 1) the “Recent Achievement” award recognizes more recent impact of a scholar’s career, focusing on the immediate past 10 years of a scholar’s career; and 2) the “Career Achievement” award recognizes the long-term or enduring impact of scholarship across the span of a scholar’s career. Each award includes a plaque of recognition and $15,000 in funding to support the recipient’s research and/or scholarship program. Awardees will also be recognized through a new event, the Scholarship Impact Award Lecture Series, wherein they will be invited to present a lecture on their scholarship.

For purposes of this award, scholarship impact is broadly defined and can include a range of activities and outcomes, including but not limited to advancing knowledge, discovery or understanding within or across fields; providing substantive benefits to society; contributing to the achievement of specific outcomes (e.g. workforce development, etc.); broadening contributions of underrepresented groups; enhancing infrastructure for research, scholarship, and education, etc.

Examples of nominations that are particularly encouraged include: previous SIA nominees; recent nominees for and recipients of other research or scholarship achievement awards (e.g. discipline-specific; college-level recognition; professional society awards, etc.); recipients of major extramural funding awards; scholars with substantive portfolios and/or recognition by communities, agencies, and other external entities; etc.

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AWARD ELIGIBILITY

Nominations are open to both tenure track and non-tenure track CSU faculty, and all full-time, regular, and special appointment faculty are eligible. Nominees must have been at CSU a minimum of 1 year.

There is no limit on the number of times an awardee can receive a “Recent Achievement” award, however, these awards must be separated by at least 10 years. Awardees of the “Career Achievement” award can only receive this award one time. SIA awards prior to 2021 are considered “Recent Achievement” awards.

TIMELINE

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NOMINATION APPLICATION COMPONENTS

Nominations for this award should include the following components:

1. **Letter of Nomination (2-page limit)**
   
   Letter from the nominator succinctly stating the track for the nomination (i.e. “Recent Achievement” or “Career Achievement”) as well as the importance of the nominee’s scholarship activities either (a) over the past ten years (2011-2021); or (b) over their entire career to date, depending on the specified track. Note that scholars at any career stage may be nominated for either track. Nomination letters should expand on information provided in the CV and should include the following:
   
   • Whether the nominee has been nominated in the past, with nomination years identified.
   • A brief description of the nominee’s scholarly accomplishments;
   • How the nominee’s scholarship has impacted their field, the scholarly community, and broader society;
   • A description of administrative or other duties of the nominee that might illustrate the impact of the nominee’s scholarship;
   • Context for the competitiveness of the awards and honors that the nominee has received;
   • How the nominee’s scholarly accomplishments compare to other highly productive individuals in their discipline;

2. **Curriculum Vitae of the Nominee (10-page limit)**
   
   A condensed CV for the nominee that highlights scholarly activities over the timeframe of the chosen award track, which includes: education; positions held; awards and honors; memberships; service on editorial boards and peer review panels; publications in peer reviewed journals, books, and other media; performances, readings, or shows; invited talks, conferences, workshops, and seminars; mentorship or training of undergraduate students, graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and sabbatical leave fellows; teaching and other course-related activities; contracts, grants, and other sources of funding; etc.

3. **Scholarship Impact Statement (2-page limit)**
   
   A brief list and description of the three to five (3 – 5) most important impacts of the nominee’s scholarship over the timeframe of the chosen award track.

4. **Evidence of the Impact of the Nominee’s Scholarship Program (no page limit)**
   
   If the nominee is in a field where journal publications are a major output of their scholarly work, data regarding the number of citations of the nominees’ published works should be included. For information regarding Bibliometric Services at the CSU Library, please contact: Michelle Wilde at
michelle.wilde@colostate.edu (please reference VPR Scholarship Impact Award in the subject line of your e-mail message).

The nominator should provide information to the reviewers about how the nominee’s citation, recognition, and funding levels compare to those of the best researchers and/or scholars in their discipline. Specific metrics or milestones used within a specific discipline should also be included with a brief explanation of their significance and impact to the nominee’s field and/or the individuals, groups, or organizations with which the nominee interacts in the context of their scholarly activities.

5. **Letters of Support (two (2) letters of support, 1-page limit per letter)**

Letters should describe the impact of the nominee's scholarship activities either (a) over the past ten years (2011-2021); or (b) over their entire career to date, depending on the specified track.

**Formatting, all sections:** 8.5" x 11" page size, single-spaced, 1" margins, typeface no smaller than 11-point Times New Roman, 11-point Calibri, or 10-point Arial.

**Submission file format:** Separate PDF document for each Application Element

**EVALUATION**

The Award Selection Committee comprises the Vice President for Research, one Associate or Assistant Vice President for Research, the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, one University Distinguished Professor, one University Distinguished Teaching Scholar, one Research Associate Dean, one Monfort Professor, and one Interdisciplinary Research Scholar. Additional input from supplementary reviewers may be solicited by the selection committee as needed.

**SUBMISSION PROCESS**

Nominations are due by 5:00 p.m. MT on the submission deadline date (01/25/2021) and must be submitted through the CSU InfoReady Review system (https://colostate.infoready4.com/). The system will not accept nominations after 5:00 p.m. and no late nominations will be accepted.

**Accessing the CSU InfoReady Review system to submit:**

1. From the opportunities list found at https://colostate.infoready4.com/, locate the “CSU – Scholarship Impact Award (SIA)” opportunity, and click on the title to open the opportunity page.

2. From the opportunity page, click on the “Submit Nomination” button located under “Application Tools” on the upper right corner of the screen.

3. Click on the blue “Colorado State University Login” button at the top of the login screen and use your CSU eID and password to log into InfoReady Review.

4. Complete all fields and upload all required components. You can save your application as a draft prior to submission.

5. Be sure to “Submit” your application. Applications left as “draft” will not be reviewed.
CONTACT

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