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|  | [**COE Outstanding Researcher Award**](http://research.illinoisstate.edu/funding/awards/college/) | [**Outstanding University Researcher Award**](http://research.illinoisstate.edu/funding/awards/researcher/) | [**University Research Initiative Award**](http://research.illinoisstate.edu/funding/awards/initiative/) |
| **Criteria for eligibility** | not administrator; not URC member; may only receive award once; may only be nominated for one university research award at a time (not research initiative and university researcher simultaneously) | must have received COE Research Award; not administrator; not URC member; may only receive award once; may only be nominated for one university research award at a time (not research initiative and university researcher simultaneously) | 5 years or less at a university; currently involved in research; URC members ineligible, previous recipients ineligible; may only be nominated for University Research Award or Research Initiative Award, not both |
| **Body responsible for choosing award winner** | College Research Committee | University Research Council | University Research Council |
| **Process for choosing award winner** | CRC reads and makes recommendations based on rubric and criteria provided by University research award guidelines | Based on rubric and criteria provided by University research award guidelines | Based on rubric and criteria provided by University research award guidelines |
| **Submission Deadline** | September 15 | October 2 | October 2 |
| **Award** | $500 for equipment | $500 is to be used for any expenditure allowable within University budgetary guidelines with the exception of faculty salary | $500 is to be used for any expenditure allowable within University budgetary guidelines with the exception of faculty salary |
| **Recognition** |  | Award presentation at Founder’s Day (February 18) | Award presentation at Founder’s Day (February 18) |
| **Application Requirements** | Use [University Researcher](http://research.illinoisstate.edu/funding/awards/researcher/) guidelines.* Nomination by faculty member or dept. chair
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* Cover sheet
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