

| | COE Outstanding Researcher Award | Outstanding University Researcher Award | University Research Initiative Award |
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| 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 Outstanding Researcher Award; not administrator; not URC member; may only receive award once; may only be nominated for University Research Award or Research Initiative Award, not both | 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 guidelines and rubric linked on COE Awards website | Based on rubric and criteria provided by University research award guidelines | Based on rubric and criteria provided by University research award guidelines |
| Submission Deadline | See COE Awards website | See COE Awards website | See COE Awards website |
| 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 | Announced within the College. Eligible to apply for Outstanding University Research following year. | Award presentation at Founder's Day (February 18) | Award presentation at Founder's Day (February 18) |
| Application Requirements | See COE guidelines . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nomination by faculty member or dept. chair - Written endorsement from chair - Cover sheet - Statement from nominee describing roles on research projects - Vita - 1-3 external letters of support | See University guidelines . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nomination by faculty member or dept. chair - Written endorsement from chair - Cover sheet - Statement from nominee describing roles on research projects - Vita - 1-3 external letters of support | See University guidelines . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nomination by faculty member or dept. chair - Written endorsement from chair - Cover sheet - Statement from nominee describing roles on research projects - Vita - 1-3 external letters of support |