

A.M. & JO WINCHESTER DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR AWARD Nomination Guidelines

The Winchester Distinguished Scholar Award is given annually to a scholar at the associate professor level or above who has demonstrated continued excellence in scholarly activity for at least five years at UNC. Previous award winners are ineligible.

Nominations for Distinguished Scholar may be submitted for consideration by any UNC faculty or professional staff member.

Nominations are reviewed and the Scholar selected by the Faculty Research and Publication Board (FRPB). The Board recognizes all scholarly activity in a nominee's career and these serve as a base for evaluation. In spite of the complexities of judging between the various disciplines, the FRPB has the pleasure of selecting the most distinguished scholar among many.

To facilitate the Board's task, nominators should provide: (1) a nomination form signed by the nominee, department chair, and dean, (2) a letter from the nominator explaining why the nominee should be considered for the award (2-3 pages), (3) a copy of the nominee's curriculum vita, (4) a narrative from the nominee explaining their accomplishments in research, scholarship, and creative works (RSCW) (2-3 pages), and (5) evidences of scholarly activity. External letters discussing the scholar's reputation outside of UNC are encouraged, but not required. Please limit nomination materials to a two-inch binder. Electronic files, not to exceed 400 pages, will also be accepted. NOTE: Do not send original materials, as they may not be returned.

Evaluation will be based on:

1. Evidence of Research, Scholarship, and Creative Works

Examples: Publications in journals, books, juried shows, performances and presentations, editing books, journals or similar activities

2. Recognition by peers within a discipline (e.g., awards, honors)

3. Serving on panels or holding office

4. Grants and contracts

If the professional contributions do not fit under these broad headings, please describe the uniqueness of the contribution and its impact.

Nomination packages, including all materials and samples of the nominee's work must be submitted to the Office of Research, to the attention of Sherry May (sherry.may@unco.edu) no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 2nd Friday in October.