

Approved by the Board of Regents
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Morgan State University
Outstanding Faculty Awards

A. Number

During the academic year, the University may grant awards in various categories that support the tripartite mission of the University. These awards include the following: 1) Excellence in Instruction or Pedagogical innovation; 2) Excellence in Research or Scholarship; 3) Excellence in Creativity; and (4) Excellence in Public and/or Community Service. Additionally, the University may grant two (2) distinguished awards representing the highest honors bestowed upon faculty members: 1) The Dr. Iva G. Jones Medallion Mantle and 2) the Dr. Sandye Jean McIntyre, II, International Award. The Office of Academic Affairs Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs will serve as the President's Designee for administering the annual faculty award process.

B. Eligibility

All full-time faculty are eligible. After one (1) winning year, a faculty member must wait one (1) year before being eligible again; after (2) wins, there must be a two (2) year period before resumption of eligibility; and after three (3) wins, there must be a three (3) year period before resumption of eligibility. The eligibility cycle would begin again after the three (3) year wait.

C. Recognition

The recipient may receive:

- (1) A one-time monetary stipend not to exceed \$5,000.00, contingent upon available University funding; and
- (2) A commemorative plaque or other item of distinction such as lapel pins and certificates appropriate for the award being conferred.

D. Nomination Process

Each academic Department Chair or academic program Director may nominate faculty members for consideration within each award category. A completed Faculty Awards Nomination Form, a letter of nomination from the Department Chair or Program Director, as well as two (2) letters of recommendation: one (1) from the nominee's dean/department/program and one (1) from outside the academic department/program or outside the University, must accompany all nominations. Only complete nominations will be submitted to the Committee on Faculty

Awards who will make recommendations to the Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs.

E. Advisory Committee on Faculty Awards

The Committee on Faculty Awards will be composed of five (5) faculty members, the Faculty Affairs Coordinator, and chaired by the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs. Three (3) Faculty members of the Committee on Faculty Awards shall be recommended by the University Council and appointed by the Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs to serve a term of three (3) years. The Committee on Faculty Awards will develop the specific eligibility and selection criteria for all specific award categories including the stipend to be awarded to a recipient for each award category in separate guidelines for faculty awards. Any faculty member serving as a member of the Committee on Faculty Awards is ineligible to be nominated for an award while serving on the committee.

This policy amends and supersedes the policy approved by the Board of Regents on March 5, 1981.