Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi presents an annual "Excellence in Research and Scholarly Activity" Award to recognize and reward research/scholarly activities, to provide models for fellow faculty, and to encourage all faculty to continue conducting and improving their scholarly work.

**Award**

The winner of the University "Excellence in Research and Scholarly Activity" Award will be recognized annually at the appropriate award ceremony and receive a $1,000 cash award. The second place winner will receive a cash award of $250 and also be recognized at the awards ceremony. Each winner will also be presented with a memento of the award.

Awardees may be asked to share their research and scholarly work with the broader Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi community, with other Texas A&M University System campuses, and the community at large.

**Eligibility**

All candidates are required to be in at least their 5th year of service with Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi at the time of their application. Candidates who won the award in the previous year are not eligible for a consecutive award.

**Nominations**

Nominations from a full range of instructional settings at Texas A&M University–Corpus Christi are encouraged. All campus faculty, administrators, students, chairs, directors, deans, and staff members may nominate individuals for this prize. Faculty self-nominations are also encouraged.

A one-page nomination form is available at [http://cfe.tamucc.edu/ExcellenceAwards.php](http://cfe.tamucc.edu/ExcellenceAwards.php). Nominations will be reviewed by the Faculty Senate’s Awards, Bylaws and Elections (ABE) Committee. A list of finalists will be selected and invited to submit a portfolio of documentation. The portfolio may be submitted either electronically ([faculty.senate@tamucc.edu](mailto:faculty.senate@tamucc.edu)) or in hardcopy form to Dr. Bradley Shope at the Center For Faculty Excellence, CCH 115B.

Finalist portfolios should include the following:

- current vitae
- a 1–2 page narrative describing the research or scholarly activity using non-technical language
- three (3) letters of recommendation
- samples/evidence of peer reviewed scholarly work (five maximum)
- other evidence of recognized scholarly work
Selection Criteria

The Excellence in Research and Scholarly Activity Award will be based on:

- Evidence of sustained commitment to research/or scholarly work
- Recognition within the discipline through publications or other forms of peer review as appropriate to the academic discipline
- Recognition through awards, participation on discipline-related boards or committees at the state, national, or international level
- Other criteria deemed appropriate by the committee

The ABE committee will review the portfolios and send a ranked list of finalists to the provost’s office for selection of the first and second place winners.

Timeline 2014-2015

December 16, 2014  Competition begins

Noon, February 16, 2015  Nomination forms due

March 5, 2015  Finalists notified

Noon, March 26, 2015  Final applications due

Mid-April, 2015  Awardees recognized

Questions: Please contact Dr. Joseph S. Mollick, Chair, Awards, Bylaws and Elections (ABE) Committee of the Faculty Senate, joseph.mollick@tamucc.edu