

MEMORANDUM

To: The CSCU Community
c/o Institutional Presidents and Chief Academic Officers

From: Jane M. Gates
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs
Connecticut State Colleges & Universities

Date: October 3, 2016

Re:

Call for Nominations Board of Regents Faculty Awards

On behalf of the Board of Regents and President Mark E. Ojakian, I am honored to invite nominations for campus-based and system-wide recognitions of excellence in teaching or research/creative/scholarly work by full-time, junior faculty members and part-time faculty members of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities. The awards are:

Teaching Awards

The awards are given to recognize faculty who have distinguished themselves as outstanding teachers for at least five years and have a minimum of two years' track record of promoting instructional improvements for the programs/departments. Each CSU institution may nominate a campus-based awardee and a system-wide awardee may be chosen from this group. Each community college may nominate a campus-based awardee and a system-wide awardee may be chosen from this group. During each academic year, the Board of Regents might award up to 18 Teaching Awards.

Research Awards

The awards are given to recognize faculty from the state universities who are doing exceptional research/creative work. Each CSU institution may nominate a campus-based awardee and a system-wide awardee may be chosen from this group. During each academic year, the Board of Regents might award up to 5 Research Awards.

Scholarly Excellence Awards

The awards are given to recognize faculty at the community colleges who are doing exceptional scholarly work befitting the community college mission. Each community college may nominate a campus-based awardee and a system-wide awardee may be chosen from this group. During each academic year, the Board of Regents might award up to 13 Scholarly Excellence Awards.

Adjunct Faculty Teaching Awards

The awards are given to recognize part-time faculty who have distinguished themselves as outstanding teachers with a track record of increasing student learning and promoting instructional improvements for the programs/departments. There are no campus-based awardees for this award. Each of the 17 CSCU institutions may elect to nominate a candidate for an adjunct faculty teaching award and from this pool two applicants might be selected to receive system-wide awards. During each academic year, the Board of Regents might award 2 Adjunct Faculty Teaching Awards.

Although campus-based and system-wide awardees are not eligible to be nominated for an award over the course of the three subsequent years, non-award winning nominees from previous years may be nominated again in succeeding years.

Each institutional selection procedure will be developed and implemented under the leadership of the respective chief academic officer. Institutional nominations will be submitted electronically by its president to the Board of Regents through the office of the president or the chief academic officer. Nominations will be reviewed by selection committees that will make recommendations to the Board's Academic and Student Affairs Committee for its review and subsequent endorsement to the full Board for its approval.

Guidelines for the nomination and selection procedures have been established for each award. The guidelines, a detailed timeline for the awards' procedures and a template for a cover sheet are attached to this memorandum and are also available at the system's website.