**College of Health and Human Sciences Minority Faculty Scholar Excellence Award**

**PURPOSE**

The **CHHS Minority Faculty Scholar Excellence Award** recognizes and promotes outstanding research and creative endeavors among minority faculty members (racial or ethnic minorities i.e., non-White race individuals, Hispanic ethnicity individuals, or persons with a disability) in the college. The award is a testament to the contributions of scholarship and creative activity by minorities, which are essential to the life of the University.

**CRITERIA FOR SELECTION**

The award is given only to those minorities who have made outstanding contributions to their discipline and have thus become widely recognized for their achievements by other scholars in the field. The assessment of impact is not limited to the prior year. The award need not be made annually. The award will not be granted to more than one individual during an academic year.

**NOMINATION PROCESS**

Nominations will include:

1. A statement confirming eligibility, that the nominee is a minority faculty member (racial or ethnic minority i.e., non-White race individuals, Hispanic ethnicity individuals, or person with a disability) in CHHS who worked at SIUC for at least 5 consecutive years and has not previously won this award.
2. A narrative of no more than three pages detailing the nature and importance of the nominee’s scholarly accomplishments as an SIUC minority tenured/tenure-track minority faculty member;
3. The nominee’s current curriculum vitae.

**NOMINATION DEADLINE**

Nominations are due on the second Friday of February at 4:30 p.m. Central Standard Time.  Materials will not be accepted after the deadline. Materials should be submitted to D2L (CHHS Faculty Research).

**SELECTION PROCESS**

The CHHS research committee will review nominations. Excellence in research and creative activity will serve as the criteria for the award.

**ELIGIBILITY**

All current CHHS tenured/tenure-track minority faculty members (racial or ethnic minorities i.e., non-White race individuals, Hispanic ethnicity individuals, or persons with a disability) employed with the University in that role for a period of at least five (5) consecutive years and who, at the time of the nomination, are involved in research and creative activities are eligible for the award. This award is permanent recognition of outstanding scholarship and is, therefore, awarded only once to an individual during their career at SIU Carbondale. However, nominees who are not awarded may be submitted for the award in future years, if they meet the eligibility criteria during that year.