

Tribhuvan University Award for Excellence in Research

2079/2080

Award Title: Award for Excellence in Research

Background: Award for Excellence in Research is a renowned honor to the faculty members of Tribhuvan University who have made significant research contribution showing excellence in their profession and enhanced research environment in the University.

Two researchers from TU will be selected each year for their excellence in research in the last five years. The award is categorized in two separate streams: Sciences (Science, Health sciences, Engineering-Technology, Agriculture, Forestry) and Social sciences (Arts, Humanities, Management, Education, Law).

The award will be administered pursuant to policies and procedures set out herein or established in accordance with the provisions of Tribhuvan University.

Each recipient of the award will receive an honorarium of Rs 100,000/ (One lakh Rupees) as well as a framed certificate on the TU Annual Day.

A nomination for the award will be initiated by the Research Coordination and Development Council (RCDC) of TU.

Objective: The objective of this award is to recognize and encourage research excellence in Tribhuvan University.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. The researcher must be a Nepali Citizen and permanent faculty member of Tribhuvan University.
2. Nominees must have conducted original research at Tribhuvan University.
3. Nominees must have at least 5 h-index (except in Art and Languages. The article, journals and h-index shall be evaluated by experts for Art and Languages)
4. Nominees should have at least five original research articles in the SCImago listed journals in the last five years including at least one in the claimed year.
5. Nominees must have maintained professional ethics while serving the University.
6. Recipients of this award may be re-eligible for nomination after a period of five years.
7. Members of TU Executive Committee, Executive Members of RCDC, Deans of Institutes and Faculties, Executive Directors of Institutes of TU and Campus Chiefs are not eligible to apply.

Selection Criteria:

It is intended that the award will recognize contributions to research which have earned distinction for the researchers and for the University as a result of the importance and exceptional characteristics of their research work in any fields of study. The term 'research' is interpreted in its broadest sense, referring to any original, productive, creative scholarship in any of the fields of learning represented in the University. Following criteria will be considered for evaluation:

- Research and review publications in the last five years in SCImago listed journals. The research publications will be objectively assessed based on the quality of journals and meritorious citations.
- Patent filed in Nepal.
- Research projects completed in the last five years as Principal Investigator.
- Outstanding record of national and international research grants received.
- International research award received.
- Ph D successfully supervised in the last five years.
- Total h-index (Google Scholar) in the course of its deliberations, the Committee will give recognition to the differences among streams and the special requirements of professional departments.

The Committee will make its selection on the basis of the files submitted by the nominators.

Nomination Process

- (a) Nomination should come through the Campus Chief / Head of the Central Department / Director of Research centers/ Dean of Institute -Faculty.
- (b) Following details must be submitted in the form developed by the RCDC (available on website of RCDC/Rector Office) with nomination letter:
 - A letter of nomination justifying candidature of researcher based on the eligibility criteria.
 - Summary highlighting excellence components of research, major findings, new knowledge or innovation in the discipline, total citations(maximum 1000 words) .
 - Total h-index (Google scholar),
 - Published papers in the SCImago listed journals in the last five years.
 - Research grants (with topic, granting organization and amount) received ,
 - International Research awards received,
 - Ph D supervised,
 - Patents registered

(c) A copy of the nominees complete curriculum vitae.

Incomplete or delayed submissions will not be considered.

The nomination should be submitted by email to: research@tribhuvan-university.edu.np

Selection process:

A five members "***Excellence Research Award Recommendation Committee***" under the coordination of Member secretary, Research Coordination and Development Council (RCDC), Tribhuvan University will evaluate all the nomination on the basis of selection criteria. Involvement of subject experts will be done as per need.

Selection committee will select excellent candidates in each stream and recommended with to the Executive Committee of the TU for final decision.