

## **Bush Excellence Award for Faculty in Public Service**

The Bush Excellence Award for Faculty in Public Service is given annually by the Bush Presidential Library Foundation to recognize a Texas A&M University faculty member who makes outstanding contributions to public service. The \$2,000 award is intended for faculty of Texas A&M University and will be awarded annually each spring.

### **Definition of Public Service for this Faculty Award:**

Public Service is defined as a sustained long-term application of a faculty member's disciplinary expertise to the public or non-profit sector in local, state, national, or international arenas.

### **Criteria for Selection:**

The criteria have been established by the Office of the Provost and Executive Vice President. The recipient of this award is expected to have made significant long term contributions in one or more of the following areas:

- Participation in the transfer of findings of scholarship to useful applications for social benefits. (Examples: testimony before legislature and Congress, service on boards and commissions that have positive impact on the citizenry.)
- Leadership in the development and sharing of creative endeavors in literary, artistic, theatrical, musical, or architectural works that enrich public life.
- The translation of academic and research discoveries to practical uses by social institutions, including government agencies, non-profit organizations, non-governmental entities or in industry, management and technology. (Examples: research findings that have positive impact on human lives; conversion of scientific discoveries to technologies that increase productivity or educational advances or provide new products.)
- Participation in activities that bridge the separation between academic or scholarly endeavors and practical applications which improve social conditions. (Examples: providing critiques, evaluations, and recommendations that offer remedies to improve social conditions.)

### **Eligibility:**

Nominees for this award must hold tenured or tenure-track positions or be distinguished senior lecturers at Texas A&M University (i.e., eligible for election to the Faculty Senate) and also have been engaged in public service. No faculty member may receive this award more than once.

### **Method of Nomination:**

Nominations for this award may be made by any individual from the Texas A&M University faculty, staff, and administration and/or student body.

Nomination materials must include:

1. Complete the nomination form. *The faculty member's Dean must approve this nomination form. Ensure the Dean's signature is obtained.*
2. A letter of nomination signed by the nominator (maximum two page limit).
3. Current vitae of the nominee (five page limit).
4. Documented evidence of exemplary and effective public service (no more than two pages).

5. Three to five letters of support from persons familiar with and knowledgeable about the nominee's public service.
6. Please send the original packet to Tracy Lacy at 1245 TAMU.

**Selection of Recipient:**

A committee of five persons will select the recipient of this award. The selection committee may, at its discretion, solicit additional information.

1. The Provost and Executive Vice President will appoint four committee members as follows:
  - Two Texas A&M University faculty members, one of whom will serve as chair of the committee;
  - One University administrator;
  - One community representative;
2. The Speaker of the TAMU Faculty Senate will appoint one committee member from the tenured faculty of Texas A&M University.

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**  
**BUSH EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR FACULTY**  
**IN PUBLIC SERVICE**  
**NOMINATION FORM**  
*Submission Deadline is Monday, March 13, 2017*

Date submitted: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of nominator \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of faculty nominee:** \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of years at Texas A&M** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number of years of public service** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of years of public service projects at Texas A&M** \_\_\_\_\_

*I support the nomination of this faculty member for a Bush Excellence Award for Faculty in International Research and have ensured that the information contained in this packet is accurate.*

*Dean's Signature:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach the following items to this form in the order listed here.**

- \_\_\_ A letter of nomination signed by the nominator (maximum two pages)
- \_\_\_ A current vitae of the nominee (maximum five pages)
- \_\_\_ Documented evidence of exemplary and effective public service (maximum two pages)
- \_\_\_ Letters of support (maximum two pages each) from three to five persons familiar with the nominee's public service effort

**Return this as an electronic completed form with letters and attachments to**  
**Traci Lacy at [tlacy@tamu.edu](mailto:tlacy@tamu.edu)**  
**Questions? call 979-845-3099**  
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