

**Connecticut State University System (CSUS)**  
**2009-10 Trustees *Research* Awards**

**General Information**

The award is given to members of the faculty who have achieved exceptional research accomplishments, or who are conducting research work of exceptional promise.

**Eligibility**

Tenure-track or tenure Assistant and Associate Professors

Award nominees must be in good standing for continuation of contract with the university.

Previous recipients of an award are not eligible for reconsideration for the following three years.

**Number of Awards**

The CSUS Board of Trustees will confer a total of five awards: four University Level Awards, receiving \$1,000 each, and a System Level Award, chosen among the four university awards, to receive an additional \$1,000.

**Nominations**

Nominees are required to demonstrate substantial research contributions and engagement in scholarly activities in their academic field during the past five years by submitting compelling evidence of their research or creative work accomplishments.

Departments and programs are encouraged to nominate women, faculty of color, and members of other groups historically underrepresented in their discipline.

**Source of Nominations**

Nominations may originate from: Deans, Directors, Departments/Program Heads and other academic administrators, award committees, individual faculty members or self nominations. Regardless of source, nominations must be coordinated through the appropriate academic unit (e.g., Dean's office, departmental or program office).

**Selection Process**

University Level Awards

Each university will establish a process for reviewing submissions and selecting *a single candidate* for the University Level Award to be approved and awarded by the Board of Trustees. The Provost/Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs will appoint the appropriate committee to conduct this university level review. Once a candidate has been identified, the nomination with support materials will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for final decision. Submissions of more than

one nominee from any university will be rejected and will result in the disqualification of submitted names from that institution.

A university may determine that none of the nominations received in a given year are sufficiently compelling to justify a nomination for the University Level award.

System Level Award

The nominee for the System Level Award will be selected by the Committee of CSU Professors from the group of four nominees to the University Level Awards. The Committee of CSU Professors will forward its recommendation to the Board of Trustees for final selection.

**Publicity**

Per Trustees' directive, the Chancellor will work with the Campus Presidents to ensure that maximum visibility is given to the awards through local and statewide print and electronic media.

**2009-10 Awards Timeline:**

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| September 18, 2009:        | Call for nominations  |
| January 26, 2010 :         | Local nominations due to each university review committee   |
| January 27 to February 15: | Local committee reviews submissions and submit one nominee to the Provost/Academic Vice President                                     |
| February 16:               | Universities forward recommendations and support materials to the System Office   |
| February 17 to March 12:   | The Committee of CSU University Professors reviews the local recommendations and selects the System Level Award nomination            |
| March 29:                  | In executive session, the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees reviews recommendations and makes final recommendations |
| April 8:                   | Board of Trustees approves final selections. Awardees are presented with official recognitions at the BOT meeting                     |
| April 17:                  | Awardees are publicly recognized at the CSUS Research Conference at Central Connecticut State University                              |