

Call for Nominations: University Distinguished Professor

The Office of Provost and Executive Vice President is pleased to announce a call for nominations for the title of University Distinguished Professor, the highest honor bestowed to a CSU faculty member in the areas of research and scholarship. This title is reserved for CSU faculty who have demonstrated creative excellence and made major discoveries and achievements in their field.

Criteria:

Faculty members appointed as University Distinguished Professors will have records of performance ranking them among the most outstanding members of their disciplines. This should be reflected by their research, publications, exhibitions, artistic performance, or other mode of accomplishment. Consistent with their accomplishments, past successful nominees have received major awards, prizes, honors, and/or other forms of professional national and international recognition of their outstanding accomplishment in their areas of specialization, artistry, or expertise, acknowledging that the criteria and the modes of recognition of excellence vary with discipline.

Submission requirements:

Any group of three or more faculty members may nominate a candidate who is an actively engaged tenured full professor. Nominations *must be confidential* and, to the extent possible, not revealed to the candidate. Nominations *must include*:

1. A nomination letter including a concise narrative statement (<1000 words) interpreting the information provided in the context of the nominee's discipline, and indicating why the nominee merits the title of University Distinguished Professor. Endorsement of the nomination letter with the signatures of the candidate's Department Chair and Dean is recommended.
2. A document of up to 5 pages listing all relevant accomplishments of the candidate. This should provide evidence of the impact of the nominee's accomplishments, e.g., favorable mention in appropriate publications; receipt of honors, prizes, and/or recognitions; major citations in the literature; and contributions to building a leading program at CSU.
3. A document that includes the names, titles, and contact information for 5 internationally recognized disciplinary peers cognizant of the significance of the nominee's research. The nominator should provide a brief explanation of the relationship between the referee and the nominee and why the referee was suggested. The selection of referees should avoid those persons with a significant conflict of interest (former mentors or mentees, recent collaborators (within 5 years), or other reasons for recusal).
4. *Letters from external references may not be included with the nomination packet; these will be requested separately as part of the selection process.*

University-wide submissions are encouraged:

Nominations from all University disciplines are *welcomed and strongly encouraged*, so that the University Distinguished Professors represent excellence across the disciplinary breadth of the entire CSU faculty.

Deadline:

The deadline for the receipt of nominations is November 15, 2021. Nomination packets (compiled into a single PDF file) must be sent via email to Amy Bibbey, Amy.Bibbey@colostate.edu, with subject line, "UDP Nomination – *nominee's name*".

Past nominations:

Applications submitted in the previous submission cycle will not be carried over. Nominations must be updated and resubmitted to be considered.

Note: Nomination information and criteria, past and current recipients, nomination/application forms, and contact information for this award can be found at:
<http://provost.colostate.edu/awards/university-awards/>

