

Distinguished Scholar Award

General Guidelines Concerning Criteria

Lake Superior State University's "Distinguished Scholarship Award" is designed to recognize and honor a faculty member for a distinguished and sustained record of scholarly and creative activity. It is the highest honor the university bestows on faculty in recognition of scholarly and artistic achievements. Under "scholarly and creative activity" are included basic research, applied research, scholarly writing, creative writing, creative work in the fine or performing arts, and a variety of related professional activities that sponsor, support, organize, or evaluate these professional endeavors.

In evaluating candidates for this award, the committee will use—but not necessarily limit itself to—the professional activities listed under seven general categories below. For the purposes of this list, "scholarship" and "scholarly" are defined broadly to encompass such creative activities as inventing, designing, painting, sculpting, composing, performing, and other forms of artistic or inventive expression in the fine and performing arts and such fields as engineering. The terms "project," "design," "work," "performance," "production," and "exhibit" may be substituted as appropriate to cover these fields of endeavor. When addressing any general category below, please provide specifics such as in the area of grants. Note whether principal writer or director, whether there are any scholarly requirements. If addressing committees, were you chair? While a candidate's entire record of scholarship will be evaluated, emphasis will be placed on what has been accomplished since the individual has been a member of Lake Superior State University.

Attached are the criteria used in selecting the "Distinguished Scholar Award." Individuals are not expected to address all criteria area. The criteria are outlined into seven broad areas: (1) Scholarly Writing; (2) Scholarly Editing and Evaluation; (3) Scholarly Presentations; (4) Projects, Designs, Performance Productions and Exhibits; (5) Scholarship Promotion, Organization, and Sponsorship; (6) Instruction-Related Scholarship; and (7) External Recognition of Scholarship. Based on these criteria, applicants are expected to provide a portfolio making their best case and include an updated and comprehensive curriculum vitae. This portfolio is not expected to be numerous binders, but rather appropriate material documenting your achievements and identifying the criterion areas you are addressing.

Criteria

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Lake Superior State University encourages scholarly activities by its faculty. Scholarly activities provide an academic environment that encourages faculty to further the boundaries of knowledge, develop new methodologies in their discipline, and enhance collegiality. In an effort to recognize such contributions by the faculty, Lake Superior State University has established a “Distinguished Contributions to Scholarship Award.” The following selection criteria provide guidelines for this award.

- 1) Scholarly writing
 - a. Peer reviewed journal articles
 - b. Scholarly books
 - c. Research monographs
 - d. Chapters in scholarly books
 - e. Scholarly essays, commentaries, editorials, and book reviews
 - f. Invited contributions to scholarly dictionaries or encyclopedias
 - g. Preface, foreword, or afterword to a scholarly work by some other author
 - h. Other scholarly publications
 - i. Translated book
 - j. Conference papers

- 2) Scholarly Editing and Evaluation
 - a. Editor of a professional journal or journal section
 - b. Editor of a scholarly book
 - c. Member of a journal editorial board
 - d. Manuscript referee for a peer-reviewed scholarly journal
 - e. Manuscript referee for a scholarly book publisher
 - f. Member of a selection committee for a scholarly award
 - g. External reviewer of scholarship for another university’s appointment, tenure, or promotion process

- 3) Scholarly Presentations
 - a. Conference keynote or plenary lectures (without a conference paper)
 - b. Conference presentations (without a conference paper)
 - c. Invited public lectures at other universities (as in a lecture series)
 - d. Guest lectures to organizations or classes at other universities
 - e. Workshop/seminar presentations
 - f. Discussant for a conference panel/session
 - g. Chair of a conference panel/session

- 4) Projects, Designs, Performance, Productions and Exhibits
 - a. Performing arts activities, i.e., production of plays, concerts, etc.
 - b. Completed art works, i.e., paintings, sculpture, etc.
 - c. Publication of works of fiction, other non-traditional written work
 - d. Other presentations of visual or expressive arts
 - e. Development of devices, products, or processes
 - f. Providing professional services as a consultant

- 5) Scholarship Promotion, Organization, and Sponsorship
 - a. Officer of a professional (scholarly) association
 - b. Executive Director of a professional association
 - c. Board/council member of a professional association
 - d. Member/chair of a professional association committee
 - e. Program chair for a professional conference
 - f. Program section chair for a professional conference
 - g. Organizer of a professional conference
 - h. Organizer of a professional conference panel
 - i. Editor of a professional association newsletter
 - j. Manager of a professional association web site

- 6) Instruction-Related Scholarship
 - a. Authored textbook
 - b. Edited textbook
 - c. Workbooks, instructor's manuals, test banks, or lab manuals for textbooks
 - d. Referee a textbook or manuscript for a publisher
 - e. Write instruction-related software
 - f. Serve on a doctoral dissertation committee or master's thesis committee
 - g. Supervise advanced undergraduate student research whose quality is reflected in publication, conference presentation, patent, or other external recognition.

- 7) External Recognition of Scholarship
 - a. Acknowledgment of contributions to the work of others
 - b. Published reviews of one's own work (such as book reviews)
 - c. Awards
 - d. Election to an honorary or professional society (such as the National Academy of Sciences)
 - e. Fellowships
 - f. Visiting Lectureships/Professorships
 - g. Grants
 - h. Listings in honorary publications such as *Who's Who*
 - i. Other scholarship-related honors
 - j. Other evidence of national or international recognition
 - k. Letters of support and evaluation from outside authorities in the field
 - l. Citation statistics from indexes such as *Science Citation Index*, *Social Citation Index*, and the *Arts and Humanities Citation Index*.

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GENERAL PROCEDURES

- 1) Nomination. Nominations may be made by administrators, department chairs, and faculty. Candidates may also nominate themselves. Nomination forms must be submitted to the Provost’s office by October 15. . The nominee may accept or

LSSU Scholarly Activities Award Nomination Form

Date: _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Department: _____

Rank: _____

Years at LSSU: _____

Please provide a paragraph or two (but no more than 1,000 words) supporting this nomination.