The purpose of the annual Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affair’s Scholar-Teacher Awards is to recognize faculty members who effectively integrate research/creative activity in classroom teaching. The award winners will excel in these two central facets of faculty responsibility. The recognition will provide additional opportunities for these outstanding faculty members to mentor others.

The Scholar-Teacher award recipients are initially selected at the college level. Each college in Academic Affairs and in Health Sciences will review its established recipient selection procedures in keeping with the purpose for the award and the criteria below. The Thomas Harriot College of Arts and Sciences and the Brody School of Medicine may select three recipients, and all other colleges in Academic Affairs and schools in Health Sciences may recognize annually one scholar-teacher. (An award need not be given by each unit every year.)

Criteria
The faculty member recognized with this award will demonstrate the synergy between teaching and research/creative activity as evidenced by:

- Student Feedback (e.g. student opinion of instruction surveys, letters of support, unsolicited feedback)
- Colleague feedback (e.g. peer observation surveys, letters of support)
- Record of scholarly accomplishments (e.g. publications in recognized disciplinary venues, presentations before scholarly organizations)
- Teaching and/or mentoring developing scholars and teachers (students and/or faculty)
- Artifacts/outcomes evidencing integration of teaching and research (e.g. manuscripts, creative projects)
- Other evidence as appropriate for discipline.

These last two characteristics must be clearly present for award recipients, as the distinguishing elements of the Scholar-Teacher award. Each recipient will provide requested materials to showcase during the annual celebratory event.

The recipient is awarded $1,000 to be used for professional travel, support of integration of research/creative activity and teaching (supplies, books, etc.), or for other professional purposes. Funds are accessed through the office of the Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs or the office of the Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences, depending on the division of each Scholar-Teacher.

The name of each Scholar-Teacher must be submitted by the Dean (or representative) of each college via email to the Office for Faculty Excellence by 5:00pm on December 1. Scholar-teachers will be contacted by the OFE with directions for submitting any needed materials by mid-February.

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