

Undergraduate Research Excellence Award 2010

An award to recognize excellence in research done by undergraduate students at UFV.

AMOUNT:

Up to \$1,000.00

NUMBER OF AWARDS AVAILABLE:

1 per discipline / department

AVAILABLE TO:

A person who has completed a research project while a full-time UFV student (enrolled in at least 9 credits) during the Summer 2009, Fall 2009, or in the Winter 2010 semester. (In the case of a group project, the award can also be presented to a group of students who meet the eligibility criteria and be divided equally among them.)

CRITERIA:

For excellence in research conducted under the supervision of a UFV faculty member.

NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS:

- (1) The nominations are made by faculty members and addressed to their Director or Department Head, and must include a description of the research/study in which the student was involved and a rationale for proposing the student for the award;
- (2) The department reviews nominations and the Director or Department Head submits their recommendation to Yvon Dandurand, AVP Research and Graduate Studies;
- (3) A Selection Committee appointed by the AVP reviews recommendations and makes a decision. This decision is final after approval by the AVP. No appeal will be considered.

DEADLINES:

Call for nominations: April 5

Nomination from Director/Department Head to the AVP Research & Graduate Studies: May 3

Recipients are selected: May 8

Awards will be presented at a dinner held at the Ramada Inn: June 7

List of Submission Requirements

A. Nomination Information:

Director/Department Head - Please submit the following information to the Research Office by **May 3**:

- Student Name
- Student Number
- SIN (for cheque)
- Mailing Address
- Phone
- Email
- Faculty Member nominating
- Course / Program of Study

- **1-2 page summary** of the project and/or a copy of the completed project, if possible.

- A **letter of nomination** from the faculty or department head, clearly explaining what the student did, why it is an example of excellence for your particular discipline, and what the outcomes are. You may add any other information that you judge appropriate.

B. Award Publication Information

Once final approval is given by the selection committee, we will ask you for the following by **May 28**:

- a **PowerPoint slide** that the student prepares for their project that includes the project title, a picture or graphic, names of the student and instructor. A sample of last year's slide show can be requested. These will be viewed at the awards dinner.
- For the printed program, we would like **2-3 sentences about the student**, their future goals, education plans, why they chose UFV, how they became interested in this project, possible impact of project, presentation at conferences, etc.
- And a paragraph that **briefly outlines the project** and the significance of findings.

C. Award Presentation

A presentation dinner will take place Monday, June 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn. Recipients, department heads, and nominating faculty will be invited. Recipients may purchase guest tickets for \$40 each.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about this award or event.

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