

RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR EMERGING RESEARCHER



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NOMINATION PROCESS

The information regarding this award should be read in conjunction with the [Vice-Chancellor's Award Guideline](#).

What is the Vice-Chancellor's Research Excellence Award for Emerging Researcher?

The Vice-Chancellor's Award for Emerging Researchers encourages outstanding researchers who are within the first seven years of their research career to continue to pursue research excellence. The Award is intended to reward the achievement of high-quality outcomes by emerging researchers and to recognise the important role emerging researchers play at UOW.

UOW Values

The nomination must provide an overview on how the nominee reflects the values of the University. These values are as follows:

Intellectual openness

We are driven and determined, yet collegial and ethical in all that we do. We are always looking to serve our communities and share our knowledge and expertise with them for mutual betterment.

Excellence and dedication

We work tirelessly to excel in our research and education, and to address complex, real-world problems in partnership with our communities.

Empowerment and academic freedom

We celebrate the freedom to have different opinions and different ideas. We encourage the asking of difficult questions and discovery of innovative solutions.

Mutual respect and diversity

We aspire to set the standard for inclusiveness, diversity and equity. We welcome – and benefit from – the diversity of our communities within Australia and internationally. We will continue to champion Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Reconciliation.

Recognition and performance

We celebrate the hard work and dedication of our staff and recognise and reward their achievements. We expect all our staff to meet the challenges of our changing world by seizing opportunities that deliver continuous improvement.

Awards will only be issued for nominations which demonstrate exceptional and outstanding achievements.

Who is eligible?

This award is open to **academic staff** who:

- a) are employed by the University on either on a permanent basis or on a fixed term contract (at 0.5 FTE or greater) up to Level C in the year of the nomination and;
- b) have been awarded a PhD within the last seven years; and
- c) hold a guaranteed appointment that extends at least one year beyond the anticipated date of the Award being made.

If a researcher does not satisfy criteria b above but considers her/himself to have equivalent research degree or experience of similar duration and wishes to be nominated, a case must be presented within the application.

Circumstances which may be taken into account could include career interruptions due to non-research employment, misadventure or carer responsibilities.

Individuals currently undertaking postgraduate studies or previous recipients are not eligible to be nominated for this Award.

The University is committed to workplace equity, diversity and inclusion and encourages nomination of suitable candidates from different backgrounds for this award.

What are the Selection Criteria?

Nominations will be judged on a range of criteria that may include but are not limited to the following.

- High level of research performance, relative to opportunity, that demonstrates the individual is clearly on an upward trajectory.
- Significance of the research in contributing to new knowledge and/or innovations in the discipline.
- High quality research outcomes, including competitive research grant and/or commercial research income, publications and HDR student supervision.
- External recognition at the national and/or international level.
- Engagement and impact of research, including alignment with the [UN Sustainable Development Goals](#).
- Participation in interdisciplinary research activities.
- Evidence of a commitment to research integrity and contributing to a culture of responsible research.
- Contribution to the research culture of UOW, including supporting equity, diversity and inclusion.
- An Elements profile which is complete for each academic team member – details on essential profile components are available [here](#), and an ORCID ID record that is up to date.

How to nominate?

- A nomination may be made by a single nominator.
- Each nomination must clearly identify the aspects of the nominee's work that address the Award Selection Criteria outlined above and explain why the UOW staff member deserves to be recognised for their research. Applications must be signed and dated to certify that the details they have provided in support of the nomination are true and complete to the best of their knowledge.
- A 2-page CV of the researcher being nominated must also be included; CV's longer than 2 pages will deem the nomination ineligible. Information about what is required of the 2-page CV and an example is attached.
- Self-nominations will not be accepted.

Nominations must be made on this form. The Nominator will take responsibility for completion and submission of the nomination form to the Research Services Office.

Submission will include providing one full signed pdf copy of the nomination form and 2-page CV to the Director Research Services Office, via email at research-services@uow.edu.au.

For information about the awards and details about the nomination deadlines please refer to the [Vice-Chancellor's Awards webpage](#).

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NOMINATION FORM

Nominated Researcher Information:

Full name:	Current Appointment:
Classification/Level: (e.g. Academic Staff Level B2)	Faculty/School/Unit:
Highest Qualification and PhD Awarded Date:	Email:

Description of Achievement: Clearly identify aspects of the nominee's work that address the Award Selection Criteria and explain why they deserve to be recognised for their research.

Note: exceeding max number of words in any of the following sections will deem the application ineligible.

Reflection of UOW values (max 250 words).

How does the nominee reflect the values of the University?

Please provide a brief summary of the achievement that can be used as the awards citation if the nomination is successful (max 100 words):

High level of research performance, relative to opportunity, that demonstrates the individual is clearly on an upward trajectory (max 250 words).

Significance of the research in contributing to new knowledge and/or innovations in the discipline.(max 250 words).

High quality research outcomes, including competitive research grant and/or commercial research income, publications and HDR student supervision (max 250 words).

External recognition at the national and/or international level (max 250 words).

Engagement and impact of research, including alignment with the [UN Sustainable Development Goals](#) (max 250 words).

Participation in interdisciplinary research activities (max 250 words).

Evidence of a commitment to research integrity and contributing to a culture of responsible research (max 250 words).

Contribution to the research culture of UOW, including supporting equity, diversity and inclusion (max 250 words).

Career Interruptions: please provide details of any career disruptions (eg caring and parental responsibilities, medical conditions, non-research employment etc) and how this should be considered by the Committee (max 500 words).

Nominator:

(The nominator is responsible for coordinating the completion and submission of the signed nomination form to the RSO, including attaching a copy of the nominee's 2-page CV).

Name, Position & Organisation:	
Professional relationship:	
Contact number:	Email:
Signature:	Date of submission:

Executive Dean OR Associate Dean Research Certification

Name:	
Signature:	
Faculty:	Email:

2 PAGE CURRICULUM VITAE: EMERGING RESEARCHER

Research track record relevant to opportunity over last five years

Please provide a short (2 page) CV that outlines key aspects of the nominee's career and research track record.

The following areas may be considered:

- **Career summary** – qualifications, employment and appointment history; prizes, awards, professional society membership,
- **Field of research** – describing the area of expertise and how research aligns with specific [UN Sustainable Development Goals](#);
- **Publications summary** – total no. of publications over career, total no. of citations, impact factors, h-index, FWCI etc;
- **List of top five publications in the last five years** including reasons why these publications have been selected, contribution of the nominee and bibliometric data, where applicable;
- **Funding track record & collaboration** – research income (competitive grants, other public sector and industry funding) and collaborations with universities, industry, business, and government partners;
- **Community engagement & participation** with identifiable benefits within and outside of academia;
- **Professional involvement** – participation in professional society committees, advisory groups, conference/panel organisation;
- **National standing** – invited speaker addresses;
- **Supervision and mentoring** - Honours and HDR scholars supervised, outcomes;
- **Peer review involvement** – including grant, manuscript reviews;
- **Evidence of translational impact** – impact of previous research including translational applications (e.g., policy contributions, clinical practice) and/or commercial outcomes such as patents, IP licences.

CV Formatting Requirements

- The CV is limited to a maximum 2 x A4 pages;
- Font: 12-point Times New Roman;
- Please write in the first person: I have been...My expertise is...
- File format: PDF;
- Margins, 2cm top, bottom, left and right;
- Line Spacing 1.0

CVs that exceed these limits will not be considered.

A suggested template 2 page CV is provided below

The information contained in the following example is provided to illustrate the type of information that can be included in a short CV.

EXAMPLE - Short Curriculum Vitae: Dr XXX

CAREER SUMMARY:

Academic Qualifications and Current Appointment

YEAR PhD from University of XXX. Current UOW appointment. List any other appointments after PhD awarded. Detail of any Fellowships.

Prizes and Awards

FIELD OF RESEARCH:

My expertise is XXXXX and XXXXXX and my research is focused on XXXXXXXX, aligning with UN SDGs ZZZZ and YYYY.

PUBLICATIONS SUMMARY:

For example: In my research field, first and corresponding authorship are rated highly. Of my XXX peer-reviewed articles (XX citations, H-index X; FWCI), I am: (i) first or joint first author on XX papers; (ii) Senior or joint corresponding author on X papers; (iii) Middle author on XX papers.

Top 5 Publications in the last 5 Years (*first author; #corresponding author)

(for all bibliometric data include source, eg, Scopus/Google Scholar and date)

1. Publication Details including 20 words to describe the significance of the paper and 20 words on nominee's contribution

2. Publication Details including 20 words to describe the significance of the paper and 20 words on nominee's contribution

3. Publication Details including 20 words to describe the significance of the paper and 20 words on nominee's contribution

4. Publication Details including 20 words to describe the significance of the paper and 20 words on nominee's contribution

5. Publication Details including 20 words to describe the significance of the paper and 20 words on nominee's contribution

RESEARCH FUNDING: Over the past 5 years, I have been a CI on Category 1 grants totalling >\$XX (summary) and on Cat 2, 3 and 4 grants totalling >\$XX.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND PARTICIPATION:

eg Schools. Museums. Science Outreach. Crowdfunding. Crowdsourcing. Media. Social Media.

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT (Past 5 years):

Contributions to Profession and to UOW School; Faculty; University. Contribution to eg Panel, Conference organization.

NATIONAL STANDING:

Summary of research presentations external to UOW past 5 years.

SUPERVISION:

Summary of Honours, Masters by research and PhD supervision and outcomes.

PEER REVIEW INVOLVEMENT (Past 5 years):

Grant reviews. Paper reviews. Other.

EVIDENCE OF TRANSLATIONAL IMPACT:

Improvements in policy and clinical practice...

Citations of work in XXX government/policy reports...

Since 20YY, XX international patents have cited my work.

Inventor or co-inventor on X patents that have been applied in the following industries...