



TSUS Regents' Professor Award
Lamar University Eligibility Criteria for Nomination 2018

Please read the guidelines for the TSUS Regents' Professor Award that include the TSUS Foundation eligibility criteria and submission process. Since the beginning of this award, Lamar interpreted the TSUS Foundation requirement that we "utilize the existing campus framework for recognizing and awarding (such) excellence" to mean that only LU faculty who already hold the title Regents' Professor (from the Lamar System) or University Professor were the only faculty members eligible for nomination. This changed in 2012 as a result of the deliberations of an *ad hoc* Committee on TSUS Regents' Professor Eligibility. The Committee's recommendations were approved and led to the enlarging of the pool of Lamar faculty eligible for nomination as TSUS Regents' Professor. The eligibility criteria presently include:

- Full-time faculty who hold the rank of Regents' or University Professor and meet all TSUS guidelines for Regent's Professor. This may seem confusing, but please note that some LU faculty already hold the title of Regents' Professor dating back to when LU-Orange, LU-Port Arthur, LIT, and Lamar University constituted the Lamar University System from 1983-1995. These faculty too are eligible for the current TSUS Regents' Professor Award.
- Full-time faculty who hold the rank of Professor and who have been named a University Scholar and meet all TSUS guidelines for Regents' Professor.
- Full-time faculty who hold the rank of Professor and who have been named a University Distinguished Lecturer and meet all TSUS guidelines for Regents' Professor.
- Full-time faculty who hold the rank of Professor and who have been nominated by his/her college for the University Professor award and meet all TSUS guidelines for Regents' Professor.
- Full-time faculty who hold the rank of Professor and who have won a major professional award in his/her discipline and meet all TSUS guidelines for Regents' Professor. (Note: Criteria for defining "major professional award" will be decided by the college regent nominee selection committee. The case for "major professional award" must be made by the person nominating, the chair, and the dean of the college.)

In addition, each college may decide to use *either* its University Professor and Merit Awards Committee *or* a special TSUS Regents' Professor Award Committee to review dossiers submitted and to select its nominee (two in the case of A&S). In the latter case, members will be elected according to the existing rules for the University Professor and Merit Awards Committee. Deans are encouraged to publicize the nomination process widely among their faculty, actively solicit nominations (self-nominations are acceptable), and ensure elections are held and nominations are forwarded to your college committee in a timely manner. In order to be considered at the college and university levels, nominees must submit the portfolio and current vitae (i.e., the "dossier") described in the TSUS Foundation guidelines, and committee members

should use the contents as the basis for their recommendations. In order to provide sufficient time to prepare the materials, evaluate the candidates at both the college and university levels, scan the documents and make the recommendation to Mr. Mike Wintemute of the TSUS Foundation by May 1, the portfolios must be submitted to the TSUS Regents' Professor Award University Committee by April 6, 2018. Each dean may establish her or his timeline for submission to the college committee.

Nomination packets due by 5 pm Friday, April 6, 2018:

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