

February 19, 2007

MEMORANDUM

TO: OSU Community

FROM: Sabah Randhawa
Provost and Executive Vice President

RE: 2007 Distinguished Professor Nominations

We are requesting nominations of outstanding faculty members for the Distinguished Professor honor for 2007. Recognition is given to active OSU faculty members who have achieved national and/or international stature as a result of their contributions to scholarship/creative activity, research, education, and service, and whose work has been notably influential in their fields of specialization. A list of the criteria to be used by the Screening Committee can be found on the next page.

The title will be awarded to faculty who are not only highly regarded for their previous accomplishments, but who are also expected to continue their extraordinary work. Hence, emeritus professors are not eligible. Distinguished Professors possess this title for as long as they remain at Oregon State University. They will also receive a modest stipend.

The supporting information must make the nominee's achievements clear to the Screening Committee. Nominations should include a five-page curriculum vitae and the completed nomination form, which can be found in the Distinguished Professor award description on the Provost's Office web site: <http://oregonstate.edu/leadership/provost/office/awards.html>. The completed nomination form may be up to three pages long. The 250-word statement of support should clearly articulate the impact of the nominee's work on research, scholarship/creative activity, education, and/or service. Please provide 8 copies of the nomination material. Note: except in extremely rare cases, the nominee should hold the rank of Professor. Administrators at the level of Dean and above are not eligible for this recognition as long as they are serving in that position.

The 2007 Distinguished Professor Screening Committee will be chaired by Dr. Michael Quinn, School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, and will consist of approximately seven members.

Nominations are due to the Provost's Office by Wednesday, March 21.

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# OSU Distinguished Professor

## Screening Criteria

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In order to qualify for the title of Distinguished Professor, a faculty member must meet at least one of the first two criteria and at least two of the remaining five criteria. Under each criterion are examples of evidence that could be used to demonstrate the contribution to be significant.

1. Outstanding scholarly activity
  - a. Published articles (peer-reviewed journal articles, technical reports, book chapters, and essays)
  - b. Books (original works and textbooks, researched compilations, edited books)
  - c. Grant support (competitive, peer-reviewed research grants; foundation grants)
2. Outstanding creative activity
  - a. Production, exhibition, or performance of creative work (visual or performing art, or literature presented in the form of peer-reviewed publications, juried exhibits, noteworthy performances, readings or recordings; solo exhibits)
  - b. Commissioned or collected works (commissions for creative work; works collected by public and private museums and galleries)
  - c. Grant support (competitive, peer-reviewed research and foundation grants; grants for special performance activity and compositions)
3. Excellence in teaching
  - a. Classroom activities, innovative course development, student evaluations
  - b. Mentoring of undergraduates, graduate students, and post-doctoral trainees (including the current positions of past trainees)
4. Sustained service to the profession
  - a. Offices held in professional societies; committee service
  - b. Organization of conferences and workshops
  - c. Government assignments
  - d. Involvement in peer review (manuscripts and grant applications)
5. National and/or international standing
  - a. Invited symposia, plenary lectureships; invited seminars and distinguished lectureships at institutions of higher learning
  - b. Invited editorial service; invited reviews

- c. Awards and honors received
6. Dedicated service to the University
    - a. Committee service; leadership and administrative activities
    - b. Period of sustained excellence at OSU
    - c. Local honors and awards
  7. Dedicated service and outreach beyond the University
    - a. Service performed; offices held; policies affected
    - b. Media coverage of the service or outreach activity
    - c. Awards and honors received

The screening committee looks most favorably upon candidates who have exceptional achievements in most of these areas. The curriculum vitae and nomination form should help the committee members understand the breadth of the nominee's accomplishments.