



MEMORANDUM

TO: Texas Tech University Deans, Chairs, and Faculty
FROM: Michael Galyean, Provost and Senior Vice President
John Opperman, Associate Vice President for Outreach and Engagement
Date: February 19, 2018
RE: President's Excellence in Engaged Scholarship Awards Program

The Offices of the President, Provost, and Associate Vice President for Outreach and Engagement are pleased to announce a new awards program to publicly recognize and reward individual TTU faculty and teams of faculty from all disciplines who demonstrate exemplary and sustained commitment to engagement with community partners. Recognized faculty apply their teaching, research, or creative activity to address a significant community need or larger social issue, trying to find solutions that may improve the quality of life for individuals, families, and communities. They actively collaborate with members of the community (locally, statewide, nationally, or globally), regarding them as equal partners in the process, sharing knowledge and expertise, and working together to generate new knowledge for the mutual benefit of both the community and the university.

The award recognizes the depth and scope of the university-community partnership, as well as the resulting positive impacts on the community and on faculty scholarship (i.e., professional presentations, peer-reviewed publications, studies of partnerships, documentation of community response to engagement, and other assessments that are shared with academic and non-academic audiences).

The award carries a monetary prize of \$2,500 and recognizes up to two faculty-led engaged scholarship projects or initiatives. Funds may go to an individual or a project team. Faculty will be recognized during the annual Faculty Honors Convocation to be held on April 18, from 3:30 until 5:00 p.m. Applications are being accepted through March 15, 2018. For application guidelines and submissions, please log into Texas Tech Competition Space at <https://ttu.infoready4.com/>

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