**CHS Awards for Excellence in Research**

*Office of Research & Scholarship (ORS)*

These awards are designed to recognize, reward, and encourage the research achievements of CHS faculty. The CHS Award for Excellence in Research may be given annually in one or both categories:

* Senior Investigator – in recognition of establishment of a productive, independently funded research program that makes a major impact in their discipline.
* Early-Stage Investigator – in recognition of a researcher, at the level of assistant professor, who has made and is likely to continue to make, significant contributions to their field.

The award is a monetary grant ($1,000) and an individual plaque. In any given year, there may be no faculty who meet the criteria for excellence in either category.

If the Senior Investigator award nominee also meets the qualifications of the University Research Professor Program, the nominee will be forwarded to the Vice President of Research. If selected, the awardee will receive the $10,000 award in addition to the college award. Should the nominee not be approved by the VPR as a Research Professor, the nominee will still receive the CHS Excellence in Research Award.

The Office of Research and Scholarship will broadcast the open call for the awards nominations in the college. ORS will also provide more detailed submission protocols and review process.

For questions or comments about the CHS Research Awards, please contact Dr. Brian Noehren, Associate Dean for Research, at [b.noehren@uky.edu](mailto:b.noehren@uky.edu).

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