REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS
2014 USC ASSOCIATES AWARD FOR CREATIVITY IN RESEARCH
Deadline: Monday, October 14th, 2013

The USC Associates Awards are the highest honors the university faculty can bestow on its members for distinguished intellectual and artistic achievements. Nominations that display the diversity of our faculty and the breadth of their scholarship are invited from deans and all members of the faculty.

Faculty from all schools and academic units are strongly encouraged to put forward the names of colleagues with outstanding records of creativity in research.

Creativity in research includes the written publication of ideas, artistic creation and artistic performance. Creativity may stem from a single brilliant idea or from a significant body of work that forms a coherent whole. Significant impact on a field of scholarship at the interface of disciplines, or creation of viable new areas of scholarly activity are evidence of creativity.

Two awards of $3,500 will be presented at the 2014 Academic Honors Convocation in April 2014. Recipients will be invited to deliver a lecture on their work as part of a distinguished speaker series.

The deadline for nominations is Monday, October 14, 2013. Email nominations to vprsch@usc.edu; with subject line: Associates Award nomination

Please follow the guidelines below.

Nomination Guidelines

1. Nominations should be submitted in a letter not exceeding 1,000 words. Include the nominee's name, title and office address. Nominees must be full professors. Enclose the candidate's updated curriculum vitae, including publications.

2. Summarize the candidate's accomplishments and lifetime achievement. Explain succinctly why the nominee's contributions are exceptional.

3. Summarize the candidate's specific accomplishments at USC.

4. Submit two or three samples of work that represent the special contributions of the candidate. Provide a detailed description of the nominee's scholarship. Mention any significant involvement of others in the submitted work.

5. Submit the names of individuals who could serve as evaluators of the nominee's accomplishments. Include e-mail addresses and job titles of evaluators. At least five of the evaluator's should be recognized scholars in the relevant discipline(s) from leading
institutions outside USC. Identify individuals with different perspectives about a candidate, especially if he or she is working in more than one field.

Nominations will be evaluated by a committee of distinguished faculty appointed by the Provost. The candidate will be evaluated by the committee in a two-step process. Evaluation letters will only be requested for finalists.

Nominations will be considered for a period of three years. Thus, individuals nominated for the 2012 and 2013 award years will also be considered (unless withdrawn by the nominating department).

For additional information or inquiries, please contact:

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