The Promising Scholar Award

In response to the recommendations of the University Awards Review Committee, the Research Awards Sub-Committee of the Research Council recommends that a new award be created and presented at University Day, to recognize the research and/or creative achievements of more junior faculty.

This award is intended to be presented to a tenured/tenure-track or research track faculty within 10 years of receiving a Ph.D. and at least 3 y at OSU at the time of nomination.

In order to qualify for the title of Promising Scholar, a faculty member must meet at least one of the following two 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)

The title “Promising Scholar” will be awarded to faculty who have achieved a high level of accomplishment in a relatively short period of time, but who are also expected to continue their extraordinary work. The award is to be a recurring monetary amount ($1000/y) added to the Awardee’s paycheck for 10 y? and a plaque presented at University Day.
A 250-word statement of support should clearly articulate the impact of the nominee’s work. The supporting information must make the nominee’s achievements clear to the Screening Committee. Nominations should include a five-page curriculum vitae.