



Guideline for Research Excellence Awards

1.0 Purpose

As an incentive to motivate UCSI University academia towards achieving excellence in the fields of Research and Development through the Annual Research Excellence Awards.

2.0 General Rules, Regulation and Guidelines

- 2.1 The Awards are only for full-time UCSI University staff.
- 2.2 The Awards are for achievements conducted from 1st January to 31st December of the previous year.
- 2.3 Award applications must be completed and done online by the applicant himself/herself.
- 2.4 All applications must be supported with documented evidence and submitted to the CERVIE. Incomplete evidence documented applications will not be entertained.
- 2.5 The deadline for application submission is 5.00pm on 31st January of the year of application. Late submissions will not be entertained.
- 2.6 For efforts involving multiple co-researchers, the application must be submitted by only one in the group. Should submission by multiple co-researchers be detected, the application would be disqualified automatically.
- 2.7 Each academic staff can only submit one application for consideration every year.

3.0 Categories

There are seven categories of the Research Excellence Awards:

- (a) Highly Cited Paper Award
- (b) Top Research Publications Contributor
- (c) Rising Researcher Award
- (d) Best Book Publication Award
- (e) Best Product Innovation and Commercialization Award
- (f) Best Art and Creativity Award
- (g) Top 2% Scientist in the World

4.0 Highly Cited Paper Award

- 4.1 Only published research papers in the year of assessment will be considered. Publications such as abstracts, letters to editors, proceedings, etc. are not eligible for consideration. Only papers that show that the author is affiliated to UCSI University qualify to be considered. Evidence must be provided. The paper should have the name, the author's affiliation, and the year the paper published.
- 4.2 Only papers published in indexed (eg. Scopus/WoS) journals are eligible for consideration for the award. The publication submitted for consideration must have had a citation of more than 25 in single-year (lower citation will be considered taking into accounts the fields of study), excluding the self-citation based on the SCOPUS database.
- 4.3 The value of each Award is RM3000 for each research paper. The award is subjected to EPF and income tax regulations.
- 4.4 Each applicant is only allowed to submit one application, which the papers published with the articles processing fees funded by CERVIE will be considered, however the value of the award may be deducted.
- 4.5 Top 3 papers will be selected from the submissions.

5.0 Top Research Publications Contributors

- 5.1 Only published WOS/SCOPUS-indexed research papers will be considered. Publications such as abstracts, letters to editors, proceedings, etc. are not eligible for consideration. Only papers that show that the author is affiliated to UCSI University qualify to be considered. Evidence must be provided. The paper should have the name, the author's affiliation, and the year the paper published. Papers with article processing fees funded

by CERVIE will be considered, however the value of the award may be deducted.

5.2 The value for each papers published are as followed:

Journal Rank	Value (RM)
WOS Q1	500
WOS Q2/SCOPUS Q1	300

And the total value of each award is capped at RM 6000.

5.3 Top 10 publications contributors in UCSI University will be selected.

6.0 Rising Researcher Award

6.1 This award is designed to recognize young UCSI researchers who show promise of outstanding achievements in the fields of (a) Science & Technology (b) Social Sciences/Arts

6.2 Three recipients for each category. The award is aims to motivate young/new staff who are in his/her early career of research to continue to excel in research activities.

6.3 Candidates must be 35 years of age or younger on January 1 of the year the award is presented.

The research profile of the researcher includes number of high impact publications yearly, number of citations, h-index and etc. will be assessed.

6.4 A Certificate will be given. The value of the award is RM1000 each.

7.0 Best Book Publication Award

7.1 This award is given to the author of the book whose book is highly recognized and popular both at national or international level or the applicants have published the highest numbers of books.

7.2 Top 3 applicants will be selected, and the value of the award is RM 1000 each.

8.0 Best Product Innovation and Commercialization Award

- 8.1 The IP of the product must be registered with UCSI University affiliation.
- 8.2 The research product can be in the form of art design, technology, formulation or processes.
- 8.3 One most innovative and impactful product will be selected.
- 8.4 The value of the award is RM 1000 each.

9.0 Best Art and Creativity Award

- 9.1 This award is open for applicants who excel in area below:
 - i. Performing Arts
 - ii. Visual Arts, Architecture, or Craft
 - iii. Creative Writings
- 9.2 The work submitted for this application must have previously submitted to CERVIE for Intellectual Property Filing which includes copyrights, trademarks, industrial design, process design and etc.
- 9.3 The top 3 applicants will be selected based on judges' evaluation.
- 9.4 The value of the award is RM 1000 each.

10.0 Top 2% Scientists in the World

- 10.1 The Top 2% Scientists in the World as published by Stanford University in the year of assessment will be presented with a trophy and a certificate for the recognition.

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