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Calling Applications for Senate Awards for Research – 2024

The guidelines for calling applications for Senate Awards for Research 2024 is enclosed herewith. Please bring the contents of the attached documents to the notice of all staff of your Campus/Faculty/Institute/Library.

Please note that as mentioned in the Guidelines, the applications for awards (General Awards and Early Career Awards) need to be entertained separately for the year 2024 by the Research Committees of the respective Campus/Faculty/Institute/Library and Thereafter the respective Research Committee should evaluate the applications and report the selected lists of awardees with their publications to Academic & Publication branch on or before 15.08.2025 enabling them to forward the same to the University Research & Development Committee and the Senate for the final decision.

Please note that the deadlines for calling applications and getting approvals mentioned in the guideline is revised this time as mentioned in the above paragraph. Therefore, irrespective of the deadlines given in the guidelines, the above deadlines will be considered for the Senate award for Research 2024.

Your cooperation in this regard is highly appreciated.

Thank you

Professor I.M. Karunathilake
Vice Chancellor

Cc: Deputy Registrars/Senior Assistant Registrars/
Assistant Registrars of the Campus/Faculties/Institutes/Library - : Please coordinate with the
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University of Colombo Senate Awards for Research

With the intention of promoting and strengthening a strong research culture within the University, and showcasing the University's contribution in the production of new knowledge, the University of Colombo has established the Senate Awards for Research to recognize and appreciate the contribution of academic staff who have published their research in national and/or international peer reviewed indexed journals.

1. CATEGORIES OF AWARDS

There will be three categories of awards

i. Senate Award – General:

- a. Open to all Academics
- b. Two awards will be awarded to the top two researchers in the faculty/institution.

ii. Senate Award – Early Career:

- a. Open to academics who are less than 40 years of age on the 1st of January of the year under consideration.
- b. One award will be awarded to the top researcher in the faculty/institution.

iii. Senate Commendation Awards:

- a. Open to all Academics
- b. All academics who fulfil the threshold criteria for recognition will be awarded a Senate Commendation Award.

2. THRESHOLD CRITERIA FOR RECOGNITION

Permanent academic staff of the University of Colombo who have published three or more for STEMS and two or more for HEMS research papers in journals listed in the following citation indices during the year under consideration (1 January to 31 December) would be eligible for awards.

- Arts and Humanities Citation Index
- Science Citation Index Expanded
- Social Science Citation Index
- Any other peer reviewed journal acceptable to the Faculty/Campus/Institute which is published at least twice a year

3. EVALUATION PROCESS

- i. The academic must maintain a verified google scholar account using the university email address - this is now mandatory as it is necessary for ranking of the university.
- ii. The Research Committee of the Faculty should obtain a printout of the google scholar profile during the first week on July of the year, ideally on the same day.
- iii. The researchers who fulfil the minimum threshold criteria listed above should be ranked and listed according to the total citations for the year under consideration of the Google Scholar Profile.
- iv. The award recipients would be selected as specified in 1 above from the list referred to in 3.iii above.