The Faculty of Science annually presents one "Award for Research Excellence".

**Purpose**
This award recognizes and rewards excellence in research by a faculty member in the Faculty of Science who is at an early stage of his or her career.

**Award**
The Award for Research Excellence in the Faculty of Science consists of a commemorative plaque and a cash prize of $1000. The name of the Award winner will be permanently displayed on a wall plaque in the general office of the Dean of Science. The award is supported in part by a donation from the Quail Rock Foundation, as well as other donations.

**Eligibility**
- Nominees must be within twelve years of receipt of the PhD.
- One nomination from a given department or school will be accepted each year.
- Nominations may be kept in the pool for up to the end of the 12-year limit period after their original nomination year although only one nomination per unit is allowed; it is suggested that candidate dossiers kept in the pool be updated annually.
- A nomination in a year in which there are fewer than three nominations (and hence, no competition) may have their eligibility period extended by one year.
- Nominees must have been faculty members in the Faculty of Science at the University of Victoria for at least three consecutive years at the time of their nomination.
- Both tenured and untenured faculty are eligible.
- Previous winners of the Award are not eligible.

**Nomination Procedures**
- Nominations may be submitted by a department or school of the University of Victoria.
- **Optional:** The nominator(s) may wish to determine that the nominee is willing to let their name stand for the award.
Supporting Materials
- A covering letter from the nominator, outlining why the nominee merits the award.
- A standard University of Victoria curriculum vitae.
- Letters from two referees, who must be from outside the University of Victoria, and who are highly knowledgeable about the field of research of the nominee.

Selection Committee
The selection committee for the award will be the Research Advisory Committee of the Faculty of Science, Chaired by the Dean. The Dean will vote only in the case of a tie. That committee normally includes one representative of each of the six units of the Faculty. The competition will only be run if three or more nominations are submitted. The selection committee may decide, after reviewing all of the nominations, that no candidate merits the Award in a given year.

Deadline for Nominations
March 1 of each year.

Award Presentation
The Award for Research Excellence will be presented at an award ceremony early in the Fall academic term.

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