

# LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

## *Provost Award for Excellence in Research Mentorship Nomination Form – Part III*

Purpose: The Office of Sponsored Programs & Research (OSPR) recognizes up to five faculty, involved in teaching undergraduate residential courses, who exemplify a commitment to best practices in teaching and mentoring undergraduate research through the annual awarding of the *Provost Award for Excellence in Research Mentorship*.

“Research” refers to inquiry that harnesses knowledge, skills, and values to produce new knowledge or to make a new contribution to the discipline. It is recognized that approaches to research vary across the humanities, the creative arts, and the sciences disciplines.

The nomination and application process for this award is to be completed in three parts:

***Part III: To be completed by the Nominee upon request from OSPR and submitted by email to [grants@liberty.edu](mailto:grants@liberty.edu) by the published deadline available on the OSPR website.***

### Nominee’s Submission:

#### *Evidence of Commitment to Research:*

- (1) Please provide a statement below detailing how your CV reflects your current involvement in or pursuit of opportunities in research and scholarship. You may include additional information that could speak to your evidence of commitment to research that is not mentioned in the CV.

Note: The following three sections should reflect the research mentorship of the nominee during his or her tenure as a faculty member at Liberty University.

*Evidence of Research Mentorship of Students:*

- (1) Please attach a list of students, enrolled in an undergraduate residential program, whom you have mentored in research/creative works and include a brief description of the research projects/creative works produced;  
AND/OR
- (2) Please provide the number and description of the research courses through which you have mentored undergraduate residential students through research/creative works.

*Evidence of Impact on Professional Development of Students:*

Please provide the following information demonstrating the impact of your research/creative works mentorship on the professional development of students in one or more of the below:

- (1) Number of students presenting their research/scholarship at conferences or professional events as a result of the nominee's mentorship.
- (2) Number of students publishing their research as co-authors or primary authors as a result of the nominee's mentorship.
- (3) Description of the research activities (i.e. weekly meetings, expectations for students, mentorship goals, etc.) that you host that contribute to the development of the student(s) in their knowledge, values, and skills in the areas of research and scholarship.

*Evidence of success of mentorship on student achievement:*

- (1) Awards received by Liberty University student mentees based on their participation in research projects/creative works with you.

*Follow-up Expectation:*

Faculty receiving this award may be asked to present their best practices (i.e. mentoring student, designing research into a course, publication, etc.) at an OSPR or CTE faculty workshop.

*Additional Documentation Requested:*

- (1) Please provide a letter of support from *two* current undergraduate residential students who have engaged in research under your mentorship. Student letters should be emailed directly to [grants@liberty.edu](mailto:grants@liberty.edu) and should include the name of the faculty nominee in the email's subject line.
- (2) If you participated in an interdisciplinary research project that would involve research under another School/College, please provide a letter of support from the Dean of that School/College. See guidelines for the content that should be included in these letters of support.

Thank you for submitting an application for a *Provost Award for Excellence in Research Mentorship*. The Office of Sponsored Programs & Research will contact you regarding your receipt of this award. Award recipients will be recognized in a public forum. Please contact the Office of Sponsored Programs & Research at [grants@liberty.edu](mailto:grants@liberty.edu) with any questions or concerns.

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