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ROBERT C. ANDERSON MEMORIAL AWARD

Award Description and Eligibility

- As a memorial to Dr. Robert C. Anderson, former Vice President for Research and President of the University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc., two awards to recent graduates of the University of Georgia Graduate School are made annually. Usually, although not necessarily, one award is made in the natural sciences and one in any other field.
- This award reflects an outstanding record of research accomplishment carried out as part of a candidate's graduate studies and during the period immediately following receipt of the terminal degree.
- Prize: \$1,000
- Eligibility: University of Georgia graduate students who have received their terminal degree no more than two years prior to the award year are eligible for nomination. For example, anyone that has already graduated in 2020 or 2021 is eligible to be nominated in the November 2021 deadline.

Nomination Procedures

- Nominations are made by the nominee's major professor and graduate coordinator.
- Graduate Coordinators will submit nominations through the <u>UGA InfoReady submission portal</u> via the Robert C. Anderson Memorial Award Nomination Form for Graduate Coordinators.
- Final nominations must be submitted to the Office of Research by **November 1**st.

Required Nomination Materials

- Cover letter from nominee's major professor and graduate coordinator. This letter should make it clear and understandable to a non-expert committee why the work is deserving of recognition.
- Nominee's current curriculum vitae (10 pp max). Important CV instructions: Clearly indicate which publications are a product of research based at UGA.
- Evidence of accomplishment (5 pp max)
- Three letters of recommendation (with at least one from outside the University of Georgia) that speak to the significance of the nominee's accomplishments

Evaluation and Selection Process

- Nomination packages are reviewed by a committee of faculty. Recommendations are provided to the vice president for research, who makes the final selections.
- The selection committee will look for originality, creativity and productivity. Factors to be considered will also include the scope and difficulty of the research, degree of innovation and independent thought, development of new ideas, techniques and methodology, and the significance of the candidate's research to his or her field.
- The material submitted to the selection committee must permit the committee, after selection of the awardees, to convey the significance of the research to the public and make apparent to scholars the excellence of the research accomplishments.

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Office of Research strongly supports diversity in all its programs. Nominations of women and underrepresented minorities are encouraged. Nominators should ensure that nominees reflect unit diversity.