



The Chancellor's Awards 2015

The Chancellor's Awards were first awarded in 2003 and are one of the most important ways in which the University recognises outstanding contributions to teaching or research by individual members of staff.

Criteria for the Chancellor's Awards

The University wishes to recognise **three** current members of the University community who have, in the last five years, made an outstanding contribution to teaching or research and achieved national and international recognition for their work.

For the **Chancellor's Award for Teaching**, the University seeks to honour a colleague who has recently enhanced the teaching reputation of the University, through a significant contribution to improving or invigorating student learning at any level.

For the **Chancellor's Award for Research**, the University seeks to honour a colleague who has enhanced the research reputation of the University through a particularly significant, world-leading contribution to the progress of research within their discipline in the last 5 years.

For the **Rising Star Award**, the University seeks to honour an early career colleague, appointed to the University in the last five years, who has not previously worked for more than five years in a similar broad discipline and who has in this time made a significant contribution in either teaching or research as described above.

It is expected that all awardees will attend the Chancellor's Dinner where the awards will be announced. This usually takes place in the Autumn. They should also have the ability and a willingness to promote their work to both academic and non-academic audiences.

Who can nominate?

Any current member of the University community may nominate for any of the awards. Self-nominations are allowed and previous nominations may be resubmitted.

How to nominate.

- Submit your nomination through your Head of School.
- The Head of School must approve all nominations in the first instance before passing them to the Head of College for approval in ranked order.
- Colleges should group nominations according to the award sought and should rank nominations in order of preference – please indicate clearly the top two choices for each Award.
- Once grouped and ranked, nominations should be submitted to Nicola Helliwell, Principal' Office, by email.

Nomination information required

The information required to nominate depends on the award sought:

Award for Teaching

- A brief statement that sets out the nominee's major contribution
- A copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae, limited to two pages

Please note: nominees should currently be teaching at Edinburgh and have been teaching here for a minimum of two years.

Rising Star Award if in Teaching

- A brief statement that sets out the nominee's major contribution
- A copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae, limited to two pages
- A note of the year of the nominee's appointment to the University

Please note: nominees should currently be teaching at Edinburgh and have been teaching here for a minimum of two years.

Award for Research

- A brief statement that sets out the major contribution
- Please attach a copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae, limited to two pages

Please note: in principle just one piece of research work carried out in the last 5 years could be sufficient for a nomination and, only research that has been carried out while under the employment of the University will be considered.

Rising Star Award if in Research

- A brief statement that sets out the major contribution as set out in the criteria above
- Please attach a copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae, limited to two pages
- A note of the year of the nominee's appointment to the University

Please note: in principle just one piece of research work could be sufficient for a nomination and only research that has been carried out while under the employment of the University will be considered.

Deadline for Nominations

- Ranked nomination from Heads of School to Heads of College must be received by **Monday 13 April 2015**.
- Final College-ranked nominations to be received by Nicola Helliwell by **Monday 20 April 2015**.

College nominations should be sent via email to: Nicola.Helliwell@ed.ac.uk
Please put "Chancellors Awards 2015" in the subject header.

If you have any questions please contact Nicola Helliwell by email:
Nicola.Helliwell@ed.ac.uk or phone 650 2130.

Selection process

The Selection Panel will consider all nominations and the Convener will make their recommendations to the Principal who will make the final decision by the end of May.

It is intended that one Teaching Award, one Research Award and one Rising Star Award will be made although this is subject to variation depending on the nominations received.

The awards ceremony information will be confirmed at a later date. All winners will be expected to attend the Chancellors Dinner, where the awards will be announced.

There will be internal and external communication of the awards, which may involve Award winners in public speaking engagements, lectures, seminars and other similar events.

Selection Panel 2015

Chair: Professor Charlie Jeffery, Senior Vice Principal

Panel Members:

1. Professor Dorothy Miell, Vice Principal & Head of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences
2. Professor John Savill, Vice Principal & Head of the College of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine
3. Professor Lesley Yellowlees, Vice Principal & Head of the College of Science and Engineering
4. Professor James Smith, Vice-Principal International
5. President of EUSA (at the time the nominations are made)
6. Dr Catherine Heymans, previous winner of Rising Star Award (membership is on a 2 year rotation)

Previous Chancellor's Award Winners

2003

*Professor Ian Deary – Research Award
Professor Peter Ghazal – Research Award*

2004

*Professor David Porteous - Research Award
Professor Allan Cumming - Teaching Award*

2005

*Professor Jean Beggs – Research Award
Dr Jane Dawson – Teaching Award*

2006

*Professor Donald Mackenzie – Research Award
Dr Simon Bates – Teaching Award
Professor Stuart West – Rising Star Award*

2007

*Professor David Leigh – Research Award
Professor Susan Rhind – Teaching Award
Professor Donald Bloxham – Rising Star Award*

2008

*Professor Joanna Wardlaw – Research Award
Dr Sian Bayne – Teaching Award
Dr Polly Arnold – Rising Star Award*

2009

*Professors Harry Campbell and Malcolm Dunlop -
Research Award
Dr John Lee – Teaching Award
Dr Giles Hardingham - Rising Star Award*

2010

*Professor Peter Sandercock – Research Award
Professor O James Garden – Teaching Award
Dr Euan Brechin - Rising Star Award*

2011

*Professor Mark Bradley – Research Award
Professor Sue Welburn – Teaching Award
Dr Dominic Johnson – Rising Star Award*

2012

*Professor Igor Rudan – Research Award
Professor Jamie Davies – Teaching Award
Dr Eve Hepburn – Rising Star Award*

2013

*Professor Agata Smoktunowicz - Research Award
Dr Helen Cameron - Teaching Award
Dr Catherine Heymans - Rising Star Award*

2014

*Professor Margaret Frame and Professor Jo Shaw
- Research Award
Dr Elizabeth Bomberg - Teaching Award
Dr Nicholas Mills - Rising Star Award*