



VICE-CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE, UNIVERSITY OF RUHUNA

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All members of the academic Staff

All Deans

Calling for applications for the Vice-Chancellor's Awards - 2012

Applications will be entertained up to 01st of February 2013 for the following Vice-Chancellor's Awards.

1. The Most Outstanding Scholar
2. The Most Outstanding Young Researcher
3. The Most Outstanding Staff inventor/Innovator
4. The Most Outstanding Student Inventor/Innovator
5. The Highest Recipient of Grants
6. The Most Outstanding Convener of International Conferences/Promoter of International Relations

This Awards scheme is introduced with a view to motivating the staff and honoring and recognizing the outstanding achievement members, both staff and students of the University community.

- For Award 1, All achievements up to the 31st December of the year of Award will be considered.
- For Awards, 2, 3 and 6 achievements 3 years up to the 31st December of the year of award will be considered.
- For Award 4, achievements during the studentship up to of the 31st December year of award will be considered.
- For Award 5, Achievements 3 years prior to the 31st December of the year of award will be considered.

No application forms are available for the above awards and the applicants should submit self prepared applications in keeping with the general guidelines and criteria given in the annex. However, the applicants may feel free to include any additional information relevant to the awards applied for in the application. Relevant supporting documents in support of all claims should be attached where appropriate.

The applications will be evaluated by a panel comprising the Vice-Chancellor (Chairmen), Deputy Vice Chancellor and All Deans, and their decision will be final. Marks will be allocated strictly on the basis of documentary evidence submitted. The winners will receive a certificate and a trophy and will also be included in the next issue University newsletter.

Applications or supplementary documents submitted after the closing date will not be entertained.

Susirith Mendis

Prof. Susirith Mendis
Vice-Chancellor

02.01.2013

Please note : All applications not conforming to the stipulated format will be rejected.

VC AWARDS SCHEME 2012

The Most Outstanding Scholar

- A minimum of 80 points should be obtained for a teacher to be eligible to apply.
- Applications by the candidates should be forwarded to the Vice Chancellor through normal channels.
- The applicant can submit achievements accumulated up to the **31st December** of the year of award.
- Eligible be award winner only once

Component	Marking scheme	Marks claimed by the applicant	Marks given by the evaluators
a. Publications (i) Publications in refereed indexed journals. If two authors first author will be given 60 and the balance will be given to the second author. If over two authors 40% given for first author and the balance will be equally dived by the rest of the authors. (ii) Publications in refereed non-indexed journals (Same conditions as per the refereed indexed journals)	up to 5 points each		
	up to 3 points each		
b. Presentations at conferences/ professional meetings etc. (i) Published as an abstract (Marks will be divided as per the journal articles when number of authors are more than one)	up to 0.5 points each		
	up to 2 points each		

<p>c. Chapters in books published by</p> <p>(i) Internationally recognized publisher</p> <p>(ii) recognized scientific, academic or professional bodies</p>	<p>up to 4 points each</p> <p>up to 2 points each</p>		
<p>d. Books and/or textbooks published in the area of expertise of the applicant</p> <p>(i) A recognized international publisher</p> <p>The author (Information on number of copies published, ISBN, level (for School children , University students etc), Number of pages (minimum 50 pages)</p>	<p>up to 6 points each</p> <p>if reviewed by two experts up to 4 points, if it is not up to 2 points</p>		
<p>(iii) Booklets – less than 50 pages</p>	<p>up to 2 points</p>		
<p>(iv) Monographs</p>	<p>up to 3 points</p>		
<p>e. Translation of monographs/ books</p>	<p>up to 3 points each</p>		
<p>f. Editing of journals/books</p> <p>(i) as Editor-in-Chief in refereed journals</p> <p>(ii) as a member of editorial board of refereed journals</p>	<p>0.5 points per issue up to a maximum of 5 points per journal</p> <p>0.25 points per issue up to a maximum of 2.5 points per journal</p> <p>2 points per book</p>		
<p>g. Documented orations, keynote addresses etc. in recognized national or international Professional bodies.</p> <p>i Orations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International • National • Local <p>(text of oration should be submitted)</p>	<p>5 points</p> <p>3 points</p> <p>0.5 points</p>		

ii Keynote addresses/presidential addresses	02 points per event up to maximum of 10		
h. Citation of applicant's work in refereed journals and scholarly publications (excluding self-citations)	0.5 point up to a maximum of 6 points for repeated citation per paper		
L Recognized national/international meritorious awards for research and creative work	up to 3 points each		
j. Creative work*	up to 3 points each		
k. For each grant			
i Funds received from international sources	1 point per US\$2,500 or its equivalent		
ii Funds received from national sources	1 point per Rs. 250,000 up to 10 marks (% within the applicants. Highest recipient gets full marks of 10. Others proportionately.)		
1. Number of graduate students supervised and graduated**	up to 2 points per PhD up to 1 point per MD/MS students*** and MPhil or Masters by research of 2 or more years duration up to 0.5 point per Masters of 1 or more year duration with a research component up to a maximum of 10 points		

* In regard to poems, songs, novels etc. composed and dances, plays, films etc. produced, reviews or appreciations by authoritative persons should be attached in respect of each item. In regard to a creative product or service in science or allied field, a brief description on the creative nature of the item should be submitted along with documentary proof. With regard to specific work of international reputation justification should be made.

** It should be stated whether served as the principal supervisor or as a co-supervisor. The principal supervisor is given full marks while the co-supervisor, 50%. Student should have graduated prior to the dead line of application.

*** In case of MD /MS students suitable fraction out of the maximum marks will be allocated based on the number of trainers

2. **The Most Outstanding Young Researcher**

- A minimum of 35 points should be obtained for a teacher to be eligible to apply.
- Applications by the candidates should be forwarded to the Vice Chancellor through normal channels.
- The applicant can submit points accumulated up to the **31st December of the year of award.**
- Only those who are less than 40 years on the closing date of the application are eligible to apply
- Eligible be award winner only once

Criteria are similar to those of the Most Outstanding Scholar Award.

Component	Marking scheme	Marks claimed by the applicant	Marks given by the evaluators
a. PhD	05 points for each		
b. M Phil	03 points for each		
c. MA/MSc	02 points for each		
d. Additional Bachelor Degree	1.5 points for each		
e. Postgraduate Diploma	01 point for each		

3. The Most Outstanding Staff Inventor/Innovator

- A minimum of 6 points are required to be eligible to apply.
- Include achievements within 3 years prior to the 31st December of the year of award.
- once the person is received the title, He /She has to earn fresh marks if to apply for the same award in a subsequent occasion
- Applications by the candidates should be forwarded to the Vice Chancellor through normal channels.

Component	Marking scheme	Marks claimed by the applicant	Marks given by the evaluators
a. National and international patents	up to 3 points each (national) up to 5 points each (international)		
b. National and international certificates for invention	up to 1 point each (national) up to 2 points each (international)		
c. Industrial designs	up to 3 points each (International) up to 2 points each (national)		
d. Commercialized patents*	up to 5 points each		

*A brief description should be given on the number of machines/implements/ instruments assembled/produced are sold, quantity of product produced and marketed, software developed and sold, type of biological or chemical process invented, and the impact on any particular sector, industry or community and contribution to regional/ national development.

4. The Most Outstanding Student Inventor/Innovator

- The point scheme is the same as for the staff.
- The minimum requirement to be eligible to apply is to have evidence of inventions.
- Achievements any time during the studentship up to 31st December of the year of award are acceptable.
- An applicant is entitled to submit an application yearly.
- Students who have completed the degree during the year of award are also eligible to apply. Their achievements should be dated prior to completion of degree.
- Applications by the candidates should be forwarded to the Vice Chancellor through normal channels.
- Any special achievement under this category with proven evidence will be awarded up to 05 points

5. The Highest Recipient of Grants

- A minimum of 10 points are required to be eligible to apply.
- Include all the grants received within 3 years prior to the 31st December of the year of award.
- once the person is received the title, He /She has to earn fresh marks if to apply for the same award in a subsequent occasion
- Applications by the candidates should be forwarded to the Vice Chancellor through normal channels.

Component	Marking scheme	Marks claimed by the applicant	Marks given by the evaluators
a. Funds received from international sources	1 point per US\$ 2,500 or its equivalent		
b. Funds received from national sources	1 point per Rs. 250,000		

A brief description should be given on the outcome including capacity building, staff training, improvement of laboratory facilities and research capabilities, establishment of new units, centers, etc.

This should be certified by the Head of Department and the Dean of the Faculty concerned.

<p>b. Link programmes, collaborative research projects MOU developed**</p> <p>Editing of proceeding</p> <p>Link Programme</p>	<p>Maximum up to 18 points</p> <p>5.0 point</p> <p>2.5 point per link programme</p>		
<p>(i) No. of short-term foreign training arranged</p> <p>(ii) No. of academic visits made internationally.</p>	<p>1.5 points/person trained</p> <p>0.5 points/visit</p>		
<p>(iii) No. of staff served as resource persons in a foreign institution</p>	<p>1.5 points/ resource person</p>		
<p>(iv) No. of overseas Masters scholarships obtained</p>	<p>3 points each</p>		
<p>(v) No. of overseas doctoral scholarships obtained</p>	<p>5 points each</p>		
<p>(vi) No. of students exchanged</p>	<p>up to 5 points per project depending on the number of students, duration of the visits etc.</p>		
<p>(vii) Outcome of research projects</p>	<p>up to 5 points per project on the number of research publications, monographs, Innovations, inventions etc. produced</p>		

* 50 % of the total marks for an event calculated on the above basis are given to the Chairman of the Organizing Committee while a member of the organizing committee is given a part of the remaining 50 % depending on the number of members in the organizing committee.

**A brief description on contribution to capacity building and institutional, regional/national development should be provided along with relevant supporting documents.

This should be certified by the Head of Department and the Dean of the Faculty concerned.

