



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS & NOMINATION FORM

2022 Excellence in Innovation Awards

For the Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

Deadline to submit applications:

Monday, November 8, 2021, 11:59 PM

Award Description:

- The Excellence in Innovation Award recognizes USF faculty for exceptional achievement during the past fiscal year, in translational research and/or innovation and its transfer to practice, industrial partnerships, and or commercialization
- More than one award may be given
- Each awardee selected will receive \$2,000
- All nominees whose application packets are received by the submission deadline and verified as complete will receive a Certificate of Recognition

Eligibility:

- Applicant/Nominee/Recipient must be a currently employed faculty member from any USF campus **and** must have been employed by USF for the entire award period of *July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021*
- Achievement(s) submitted for the award application must have been accomplished or formally recognized between *July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021*. Documentation must be provided. See Application Process below
- Nominations may be made by the faculty applicant themselves or by a colleague on their behalf. **NOTE:** *Nominators and authors of Letters of Support are not eligible to apply for this award in the same award period in which they nominate/support a colleague*
- **Letters of support are required from the nominee's Dean, Chair, or ADR as part of the nomination packet**

Recognized Innovation Achievements Must Have Occurred **Within the Time Period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021**, and may Include, but are Not Limited To:

- Development of new intellectual property (e.g., issued patent, patent application)
- Entrepreneurial achievement(s) (e.g., a USF-based start-up company, development of a license agreement, or development of a working relationship with an established company)
- Transition of a pre-clinical discovery into the clinic
- Commercialization of a USF-discovered product
- Funding obtained through federal programs, such as STIR or SBIR grants, with a grant award
- Significant publication(s) in technology (e.g., Science, Proceedings of IEEE, Nature, Biotechnology), published or accepted for publication

Review Criteria **Within the Time Period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021**, may Include, but are Not Limited To:

- Number of recognized achievement(s)
- Prestige of the achievement(s)
- Uniqueness or significance of the innovation or achievement(s)
- Type and amount of external funding awarded to USF as a result of the stated achievement(s)

Application Process:

Each application packet must include **all** of the following:

- 1) Nomination form – **including a 150-word maximum description** of the applicant’s innovation achievement(s) focused only within the time period of **July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021**
- 2) Documentation of all the stated achievement(s) described in the application, such as a Patent Number, statement from USF Technology Transfer Office verifying a license agreement, copy of a published article or letter from a publisher accepting an article/book for publication, etc.
- 3) The applicant’s CV
- 4) A one-page letter of support from a Dean, Chairperson, Center/Institute Director, or ADR describing the achievement(s) and discussing the significance of the contribution made by the applicant/nominee

Award Process:

- The deadline to submit applications is **Monday, November 8, 2021 at 11:59 PM**.
- Submit the entire Application Packet **as a single PDF file** to: judidorn@usf.edu
- Applications will be reviewed by the Innovation Award Committee, composed of members of the USF Chapter of the National Academy of Inventors. The Committee’s recommendations will be provided to the Vice President for Research for use in the selection process.

Contact: **Judi Dorn, USF Research & Innovation at judidorn@usf.edu**



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2022 Excellence in Innovation Award

ALL achievements must have occurred within Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

Name and Degree of Nominee/Applicant:	
Faculty Rank:	
Initial Date of USF Employment:	
E-Mail:	Phone:
Department:	Campus:
Department Chair:	College Dean:

Nominator's Name (if applicable):	
Nominator's Title:	
Nominator's Department:	
Nominator's College:	
Nominator's Campus Address:	
Nominator's E-Mail:	Nominator's Phone:

Description of Innovation Achievement(s):

In the text box below, **provide a 150-word maximum description** of the applicant's innovation achievement(s) **within the time period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.**

Documentation of Innovation Achievement(s)

Provide documentation for all the stated achievement(s) described above, such as a Patent Number, statement from USF Technology Transfer Office verifying a license agreement, copy of a published article or letter from a publisher accepting an article/book for publication, etc.

Attach all the listed documentation to this Nomination Form.

List/Describe the provided documentation in the text box below:

Letter of Support

Include a (scanned) Letter of Support from a Dean, Chairperson, or Center/Institute Director.

This letter must:

- Be printed on letterhead (digital letterhead accepted)
- Be signed with an original or DocuSigned digital signature
- Letter is limited to one page (8 ½" x 11")
- Must describe the applicant's innovation achievement(s) and discuss the significance of the achievement(s) made by the nominee/applicant **during the time period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021**

Completed Application Packet

- Save the Completed Application Packet to include the nominee's name in the name of the file, e.g., **"Doe, John - 2022 Excellence in Innovation Application"**
- The completed application packet must include all of the following:
 - 1) Completed Nomination Form
 - 2) Documentation of all the stated achievement(s) described in the application
 - 3) Letter of support from a Dean, Chairperson, or Center/Institute Director
 - 4) Applicant's CV

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