The Faculty Award for Excellence in Engaged Scholarship

About the award: Offered by the Division of Academic Affairs, the Faculty Award for Excellence in Engaged Scholarship recognizes and celebrates a faculty member’s extraordinary contributions to Loyola’s students, community partners, and institutional mission through sustained involvement and excellence in one or more types of engaged scholarship. The award is given to one faculty member at the Faculty Excellence Celebration each spring. Awardees receive a plaque and $500 and designates a community partner to be given $500. Awardees may receive the award only once.

What is Engaged Scholarship?
Engaged scholarship at Loyola University Maryland is ideally a product of reciprocal, mutually beneficial partnerships between the university’s knowledge centers—the faculty, students, curriculum, classrooms, and library—and community agencies, persons, and other resources. By advancing social justice, engaged citizenship, transformative learning, and disciplinary knowledge, such partnerships are an example of Loyola’s Jesuit mission in action.

Characteristics of Engaged Scholarship at Loyola:
- Often combines the traditional work of research, teaching, and service.
- Can take the form of pedagogical activity, including service-learning teaching and course development, as well as publications focused on pedagogy.
- Can take the form of “traditional,” peer-reviewed scholarship.
- Frequently interdisciplinary and collaborative.
- Places a special priority on under-resourced communities in the Baltimore area.

Award Timeline
- First Friday of spring semester: nomination deadline
- Friday 1 week before spring break begins: application deadline
- March: award announced at the Faculty Excellence Celebration

Applicants should submit the following:

1) A current curriculum vitae;
2) A brief statement of under 1000 words explaining how his or her activities exemplify engaged scholarship as defined above;
3) Appendices in support of the statement (include only relevant documents), such as:
   - Letter(s) of support from a community partner or partners.
   - Data on outcomes for community partners
   - Letter(s) of support from faculty colleagues and colleagues at other academic institutions.
   - Syllabi, assignments
   - Reflections, essays, or statements from students
   - Offprints or reviews of published scholarship
   - URLs, photographs, event programs, or other documentation of non-print scholarship

Submit completed applications to CELS@loyola.edu.