

Meritorious Commendation Award

The Meritorious Commendation Award is a one-time recognition intended to acknowledge full professors who have demonstrated continuous academic achievement. The criteria for receiving the distinction of Meritorious Commendation are described in the College's Meritorious Commendation Policy. A professor receiving such distinction is eligible for a salary increase pending budget approval. In addition, the professor will be allowed to select and attend any local or national conferences/seminar or workshop of his/her choice, pending available funding and with the following restrictions. The chosen conference/seminar/workshop:

- 1. must relate to the professor's teaching discipline(s);
- 2. must be held within two (2) academic years of date of award;
- 3. expenses (in accordance with state travel guidelines) not to exceed \$2,000 will be paid by the College (includes registration, airfare, accommodations, and meals for recipient only); and
- 4. following attendance, the professor must provide a written summary of his/her academic experience(s) to the Office of Faculty and Staff Development, as well as to the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. The professor will also prepare a presentation for colleagues, which will be coordinated through the Office of Faculty and Staff Development.

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