Faculty of Education
Awards for Excellence and Recognition
Awards Criteria 2023

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Deans Honours List - Award Criteria 2023

For 2023, the terms included in the Deans Honours List are Term 4 2022, Term 5 2022, Summer Term 2023, Term 1 2023, Term 2 2023, and Term 3 2023.

Prize: Award added to the student's Academic Transcript, their name added to the Faculty Awards website and presented with a certificate.

2004200 Certificate in Education

Undergraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education (3207310 Primary, 3207312 Primary/Secondary, 3207313 Primary/Early Childhood, 3207311 Secondary); 3207322 Bachelor of Technology/Bachelor of Education (Secondary); 3007002 Bachelor of Education; 3007003 Bachelor of Early Childhood Education; 2207005 Associate Degree of Creative Writing.

Undergraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

3507292 Bachelor of Education (Honours)

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed two coursework units (24 credit points) over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

1008252 Graduate Certificate in Education

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

1008480 Graduate Certificate in Educational Inclusion and Diversity

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

1008470 Graduate Certificate in Educational Wellbeing

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

1008500 Graduate Certificate in Education (Early Childhood)

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

1107425 Graduate Diploma in Education (Early Childhood)

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

1209200 Master of Education

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

1207286 and 1209001 Master of Teaching

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed at least 48 credit points over an equivalent* of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award.

1447190 Doctor of Education

Postgraduate students with a GPA average of 6.5 or above are added to the Dean's Honours List. Students must have completed 48 credit points in coursework units over an equivalent of a one-year period to be eligible for this highly competitive and prestigious award. The coursework units are EDUC7001, EDUC7002, EDUC7003, and EDUC7004, EDUC7022, EDUC7023, EDUC7016, EDUC7017, EDUC7018, EDUC7019, EDUC7020, and EDUC7021.

Byron Writers Festival Prize – Awards Criteria 2023

Eligibility for Prize: Awarded to an Associate Degree of Creative Writing graduate with a GPA of 5.5-6.0 (Distinction Average) for the prior year (2022).

Source/Donor of Prize: Byron Writers Festival.

Number & Frequency: 1x prize for Creative Writing.

Benefits of Prize: $150 book bundle, OR 3-day pass to the Byron Writers Festival (approx. value $299). Plus BWF membership (value $65).

Responsibility for Administration of Prize: SCU Prizes Team look after every administrative task for this award (e.g. contacting the award donor, processing the reports, gaining approvals from the Faculty, contacting the student, sending out the certificate). The Prizes Team will run the reports in March/April of the current year (2023) for the graduands of the prior year (2022) and send to the Faculty of Education's Executive Assistant for approvals from the Executive.

Annotation on their Academic Transcript: Awarded the Byron Writers Festival Prize for Associate Degree of Creative Writing 2022.

Winner for 2022: *Will be determined in March/April 2023*

Acknowledgment: The winner of the Byron Writers Festival Prize for the Associate Degree of Creative Writing is invited to the annual Faculty of Education Awards for Excellence and Recognition in November each year. At this annual awards ceremony they will receive recognition for their achievements.

SAGE Award for Service - Award Criteria 2023

The SAGE Award for Service is a new award that we have introduced to the Faculty of Education in 2021. This award acknowledges the service of the Student Advisory Group for Education (SAGE) leadership team in their efforts to form a diverse and passionate community of students.

The SAGE Leadership Team are commended for their support in:

- Forming a diverse and passionate community to support the new Faculty of Education 2030 Strategy;
- Being the carrier of the student voice and promoting two-way open dialogue between/across academics and students on what 'matters' to students in the Faculty of Education;
- Undertaking student leadership opportunities in the Faculty of Education to empower students to be solution-facing;
- Developing and designing a diverse a range of events in engaging all students in the Faculty of Education community; and
- Representing students on the Faculty of Education Faculty Board, and reporting to the Faculty's Teaching/Learning Committee and Research Committee.

This award is awarded to the Leadership Team (President, Vice-President and Secretary) for the current year.

Prize: Name added to the Faculty Awards website and a certificate.

Professional Staff Awards - Award Criteria 2023

The Faculty of Education Awards for Excellence and Recognition include two awards to recognise the contribution of Professional Staff. The categories include the Professional Staff Award for Service, and the Professional Staff Award for Innovation and Improvement. These are awarded for the current year (2023).

Who can submit a nomination? Nominations can be for individuals, or teams. It can either be self-nominated, or you can nominate a colleague/team on their behalf.

Awards Panel: Nominations will be reviewed by a panel consisting of the Faculty Executive Leadership Team.

Prizes: Both award recipients receive a certificate, glass plaque, $500 each (for work related purposes only) and their names added to the Faculty Awards website.

Professional Staff Award for Service

Nominations for going above and beyond to provide exceptional service, or to ensure continuity in extraordinary circumstances, to colleagues and/or students.

Criteria 1: To which aspect of the Faculty's operations was the contribution made?

Criteria 2: What was the context in which the staff member provided exceptional service, or continuity of service?

Criteria 3: What was the outcome for students and/or staff?

Professional Staff Award for Innovation and Improvement

Nominations for implementing change/s to our practices that have had a positive impact.

Criteria 1: To which aspect of the Faculty's operations was the innovation or improvement made?

Criteria 2: What was the change or innovation implemented?

Criteria 3: What was the positive impact this had for students, you, and/or your colleagues?

Teaching & Learning Awards - Award Criteria 2023

Educator of the Year

The Educator of the Year Award goes to the academic staff member within the Faculty that received the highest mean student feedback based on the teaching feedback metrics for the last 12 months.

Periods: Term 5 2022, Summer Term 2023, Term 1 2023, Term 2 2023, Term 3 2023, and Term 4 2023.

- Open to all academic staff across the Faculty (ongoing, fixed-term, casual);
- Winner determined by teaching feedback metrics - the highest mean student feedback across all sessions/terms for the last 12-month period (current calendar year and last part of previous year);
- Data will be provided by BIQ, SCU;
- Highest mean student feedback on teaching must have at least 15 responses (in any one unit of teaching) over the past 12 months;
- The Executive Dean is ineligible for this award; and
- **Prize**: Name added to the Faculty Awards website, glass plaque, certificate and $1,000 towards their research.

Commendation for Teaching Excellence

The Commendation for Teaching Excellence Award goes to the academic staff members within the Faculty that received the second highest mean student feedback based on the teaching feedback metrics for the last 12 months.

Periods: Term 5 2022, Summer Term 2023, Term 1 2023, Term 2 2023, Term 3 2023, and Term 4 2023.

- Open to all academic staff across the Faculty (ongoing, fixed-term, casual);
- Winner determined by teaching feedback metrics - the second highest mean student feedback across all sessions/terms for the last 12-month period;
- Each year more than one commendation may be made if means are close;
- Data will be provided by BIQ, SCU;
- Second highest mean student feedback on teaching must have at least 15 responses (in any one unit of teaching) over the past 12 months;
- The Executive Dean is ineligible for this award; and
- **Prize**: Name added to the Faculty Awards website, glass plaque, certificate and $500 per Commendation recipient towards their research.

Research Awards - Award Criteria 2023

Researcher of the Year
- Open to all academic staff across the Faculty (ongoing, fixed-term);
- Winner determined by research productivity metrics:
    - Number of registered HERDC publications (books, book chapters, and journal articles only) (33.3%);
    - Successful external grants (Cat 1-4) (33.3%); and,
    - HDR On Time Completions (33.3%).
- Data will be supplied by the Office of Research;
- The Executive Dean is ineligible for this award;
- **Prize**: Glass plaque, name added to the Faculty Awards website, certificate and $1000 to go towards their research; and,
- **Periods**: Awarded for the previous year (2022).

Early Career Researcher of the Year
- Open to ECR academic staff across the Faculty (ECRs are within 5 years of PhD completion);
- Winner determined by research productivity metrics:
    - Number of registered HERDC publications (books, book chapters, and journal articles only) (33.3%);
    - Successful external grants (Cat 1-4) (33.3%); and,
    - HDR On Time Completions (33.3%).
- Data will be supplied by the Office of Research;
- **Prize**: Glass plaque, name added to the Faculty Awards website, certificate and $500 to go towards their research; and,
- **Periods**: Awarded for the previous year (2022).

HDR Supervisor of the Year
- This award is by nomination by the HDR students themselves;
- The HDR student nominations address 3 weighted criteria in their submissions these include:
    a) An outstanding track record in Higher Degree Research supervision (50%);
    b) Support for students' career development (25%); and,
    c) Contribution to the development of excellent supervision practices within faculties, centres, departments, research groups or the wider University (25%).
- Nominations will be considered by a Selection Committee that includes the ADR, Executive Dean, and another nominee at the discretion of the ADR. Materials provided to the Committee will remain confidential to the Committee and the members of the Committee;
- An award recipient can only receive this award once;
- The Executive Dean is ineligible for this award;

- **Prize**: Glass plaque, name added to the Faculty Awards website, certificate and $1000 to go towards their research; and,
- **Periods**: Awarded for the previous year and current year (2022/2023).

Outstanding Research Publication

- The highest quality article with at least one Faculty of Education academic as author will be awarded;
- Quality will be determined by journal rank (quality rating and H index) and Field Weighted Citation Impact retrieved from Scival;
- Publication cannot have been considered in previous rounds;
- **Prize**: Glass plaque (for publication), name added to the Faculty Awards website, certificate and $250 to go towards their research; and,
- **Periods**: Awarded from September the previous year and current year (September 2022/2023).

Outstanding HDR Research Publication

- The highest quality article with at least one HDR candidate as author will be awarded;
- Quality will be determined by journal rank (quality rating and H index) and publication data metrics (field weighted view impact, citations, field weight citation impact and field citation average) retrieved from Scival;
- Publication cannot have been considered in previous rounds;
- **Prize**: Glass plaque (for publication), name added to the Faculty Awards website, certificate and $250 to go towards their research; and,
- **Periods**: Awarded from September the previous year and current year (September 2022/2023).