

<b>Policy Number/Title:</b>	2.2.13 Faculty Awards
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### 1. Scope:

This policy applies to faculty.

### 2. Definitions:

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### 3. Policy:

**Distinguished Professor.** The Distinguished Professor Award is made to a faculty member who holds the rank of associate or professor and who has demonstrated exceptional skill in teaching, significant research or creative efforts, and service to the University and community. As an expression of appreciation, the recipient receives a cash award from the Alumni Association and the Winthrop Foundation.

**Outstanding Junior Professor.** The Outstanding Junior Professor Award is made to a faculty member who holds the rank of assistant professor and who has a reputation for inspired teaching, research or creative excellence, and dedication to the welfare of students. This honor is accompanied by a cash award from the Alumni Association and the Winthrop Foundation.

Procedures for nominating and selecting candidates for Distinguished Professor and Outstanding Junior Professor will be distributed to the academic deans each Spring. These awards are announced at Commencement ceremonies at the close of the academic year.

**James Pinckney Kinard and Lee Wicker Kinard Award for Excellence in Teaching.** The James Pinckney Kinard and Lee Wicker Kinard Award is made annually to the faculty member selected as Winthrop's outstanding teacher. The faculty member named receives a cash award made possible by a contribution from James and Agnes A. Dodds Kinard in memory of his father, James Pinckney Kinard, the University's second President. In addition to the cash award, the recipient will have access to funds for expenditure to enhance and



support excellence in teaching. These funds are housed in the appropriate dean's budget, with expenditure requiring prior approval of the dean.

Procedures for nominating and selecting candidates will be disseminated each Fall. The James Pinckney Kinard Award is announced at each year's Fall Commencement.

**Jane LaRoche Graduate Faculty Award.** This award is made to a tenured graduate faculty member who holds the rank of associate or full professor, who has a record of outstanding teaching at the graduate level, and who has made a significant contribution to the quality of graduate education at the University. This honor is accompanied by a cash award from the Winthrop Foundation.

Procedures for nominating and selecting candidates will be disseminated each Spring, and the award will be announced at the Spring Graduate Commencement.

**Faculty Student Life Award.** The Faculty Student Life Award is presented annually to the faculty member who has most significantly contributed to the quality of student life and to the Winthrop community of learners. The recipient is honored for sustained commitment to student growth and development outside traditional classroom activities. The Faculty Student Life Award is announced at each year's Faculty Staff Retirees' Awards Ceremony.

#### **4. Procedures:**

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#### **5. Resources:**

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#### **6. History of Revisions:**

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#### **7. Approvals:**

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