Nomination Process for the 2016 Branscomb, Heard and Wyatt Awards

The nomination must include the following materials:

1. Write a letter of nomination identifying the award for which you are nominating the person, stating specifically how he or she meets the criteria for that particular award. Please understand that the strongest candidates will be individuals who contribute to all aspects of Vanderbilt’s mission in research, education, and service.

2. Attach a complete, up-to-date curriculum vitae for the nominee.

3. Send by e-mail attachment the letter of nomination and the c.v. to the Faculty Senate at facultysenate@vanderbilt.edu, copying the nominee’s department chair and the Dean of the nominee’s school or college. Nominations must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 18, 2015.

**Harvie Branscomb Distinguished Professor Award**

The Harvie Branscomb Distinguished Professor Award is made to a full-time, regular faculty member without restriction as to age, rank, or school, for distinguished accomplishment in furthering the aims of Vanderbilt University.

In defining the character of the award the original committee stated: The purpose of the award should be to recognize, and thereby to encourage in others, that combination of talents and achievements which we identify as desirable in the University faculty member: creative scholarship, including accomplishment in the creative arts and artistic performance; stimulating and inspiring teaching which results in learning of a high order; and service to students, colleagues, the University at large, and society at large. The award should be made for the total contribution and not solely for notable accomplishment in any single or narrow aspect of University endeavor. Neither shall long service nor promise of future accomplishment be a prime factor in the selection.

The award was established in 1963 to honor retiring Chancellor Harvie Branscomb. It is endowed with funds contributed by members of the faculty. The winner receives a cash award of $2,500, an engraved silver tray, and official designation as Harvie Branscomb Distinguished Professor for one academic year.

For list of previous winners: [http://www.vanderbilt.edu/provost/faculty-highlights/harvie-branscomb.php](http://www.vanderbilt.edu/provost/faculty-highlights/harvie-branscomb.php)

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Alexander Heard Distinguished Service Professor Award

The Alexander Heard Distinguished Service Professor Award was created on the occasion of the retirement of Chancellor Heard in 1982. It is endowed with funds contributed by faculty, staff, and others.

The title is conferred upon a full-time faculty member, regardless of rank or school, for distinctive contributions to the understanding of problems of contemporary society. The purpose of the award is to encourage, recognize, and honor faculty members' contributions to the analysis and solution of contemporary social problems, broadly construed. Contributions may take the form of teaching, writing, basic or applied research, and consultative or other forms of service. Announcement is made at the Spring Faculty Assembly. The recipient carries for one year the title Alexander Heard Distinguished Service Professor and receives a $2,500 cash award and an engraved silver tray.

For list of previous winners: http://www.vanderbilt.edu/provost/faculty-highlights/alexander-heard.php

Joe B. Wyatt Distinguished University Professor Award

The Joe B. Wyatt Distinguished University Professor Award was created to honor Chancellor Wyatt upon his retirement in 2000. The award is intended to recognize accomplishments that span multiple academic disciplines.

The title is conferred upon a full-time faculty member, regardless of rank or school, for the development of significant new knowledge from research or exemplary innovations in teaching. The announcement is made at the Spring Faculty Assembly. The recipient carries for one year the title Joe B. Wyatt Distinguished University Professor and receives a $2,500 cash award and an engraved silver tray.

For list of previous winners: http://www.vanderbilt.edu/provost/faculty-highlights/joe-wyatt.php

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