

**Division of Agriculture
John W. White
Outstanding Team Award**

A. Award Objective

The objective of the John W. White Outstanding Team Award is to recognize members of the Division of Agriculture who have made notable and outstanding contributions toward the Land Grant mission as a result of working as a team. The contributions can be through innovative problem solving, creative activity, development of programs, contributions toward basic understanding, and can be based in teaching, research and/or extension programs.

B. Eligibility

- A team will consist of a group of faculty/staff from at least two different disciplines or at least two different units of the Division.
- Any group of faculty/staff in the Division whose programmatic activities contribute to the Land Grant mission.
- Award funds will be divided proportionately among team members, up to a maximum of nine members.

C. Nomination Process

- Nomination: A team may be nominated for the John W. White Outstanding Team Award by any department or unit of the Division or by an individual in the Division.
- Length of Nomination: The nomination has a maximum of five pages (single spaced) plus appended materials (letters or supporting documents). Nominations exceeding five pages (for items D2-D5) will not have materials in excess of the first five pages considered.
- The deadline for nomination materials to be submitted will be announced each fall by the appropriate Associate Vice President.
- Resubmissions with a current nomination form are acceptable for a period of three years (the initial submission plus two subsequent years).

D. Nomination Packet and Selection Criteria

The following items will be used as criteria for evaluation and selection of the team and should be included in the nomination packet:

1. Awards Nomination Form
2. Statement of objectives and how those objectives have been pursued.
3. Description of innovations or successful implementation of strategies.
4. Description of impact of the team activities.
5. Evidence of recognition by peers and clientele (publications, presentations, grants, patents, varieties developed, juried shows, etc.)
6. Description of contribution(s) for each team member – one page per member.
7. One page vitae (one page per member) which highlights pertinent activities and includes a listing of academic training and date of appointments within the Division of Agriculture.
8. Letters of support - A maximum of three letters of support, including one from someone outside the University. More than three letters will not be considered. The letters should address and evaluate the innovation and impact of the team's program activities.

E. Nomination Packet Checklist

1. Completed nomination form
2. Statement of objectives
3. Items D3-D5
4. Items D6-D7 (considered appended materials)
5. No more than three letters in support of the nomination
6. Items D2-D5 are limited to a combined total of five, single-spaced pages
7. Submit all documents as a single PDF file