Nomination Process for the 2017 Thomas Jefferson Award

The Thomas Jefferson Award is made annually “for distinguished service to Vanderbilt through extraordinary contributions as a member of the faculty in the councils and government of the University.”

The award is presented by the Chancellor at the first meeting of the Fall Faculty Assembly, which officially begins each academic year. The prize carries with it an engraved pewter goblet and $5,000.

The recipient is named by the Chancellor on the basis of nomination of the Consultative Committee of the Faculty Senate. Faculty members in all schools are eligible. The Thomas Jefferson Award is endowed at several universities by the Robert Earl McConnell Foundation. It was first established at the University of Virginia in honor of that institution’s founder. It has been presented at Vanderbilt since 1967.

Your letter of nomination and a copy of the nominee's current curriculum vitae should be sent electronically, by email attachment, to facultysenate@vanderbilt.edu, copying the nominee's department chair and the dean of the nominee's school or college. Previous recipients are not eligible.

A list of past winners, as well as a complete description of the award, can be found online at http://vanderbilt.edu/faculty-development-diversity/awards/thomas-jefferson-award.php. The deadline for receipt of nominations by the Faculty Senate is 5:00 p.m., May 26th, 2017.

If you have any questions regarding the Thomas Jefferson Award or submission of nominations, please contact either Debbie Hayes (debbie.hayes@vanderbilt.edu) or Lauren Rodgers (lauren.rogers@vanderbilt.edu).