

# Excellence in Scholarly or Creative Activities Award (ESCAA)

The Faculty Senate invites faculty members at all ranks and from all academic disciplines to apply for the **Excellence in Scholarly or Creative Activities Award (ESCAA)**. The ESCAA will be bestowed on one (1) faculty member who has demonstrated an ongoing commitment to their scholarship and/or creative endeavors; provided significant contributions to their discipline, profession, or community; innovated in their field; advanced the mission of MSU Denver; and involved students in scholarly or creative work.

Candidates should submit a CV, focused on scholarship and/or creative activities (no more than 5 pages); and a statement highlighting their scholarly and creative agenda, the scope and impact of scholarly and creative works, innovative practices, and engagement with CADRE values and MSU Denver students (maximum 500 words). Candidates will be evaluated by the body of work produced in the last five (5) years of their employment at MSU Denver. Finalists will be asked to present their work at the Research and Creative Works Symposium.

Award nominations will be reviewed by the Faculty Senate Faculty Awards of Excellence Committee.

Award winner will receive \$1500.

**Reviewers will evaluate applications according to the five (5) categories below:**

1. **Scope and Depth of Contributions:** Breadth, depth, and scope of the scholarly or creative work. Refer to the Faculty Employment Handbook for examples of scholarly and creative works.
2. **Consistency and Sustainability:** Consistency of productivity over time and the sustainability of the scholarly or creative work agenda.
3. **Engagement with MSU Denver Students:** Reach of scholarly or creative work to broad student audiences, including mentoring students.
4. **Innovation:** Exploration of novel research questions, use of innovative research methods or creative approaches.
5. **Contribution to MSU Denver CADRE Values:** Scholarship or creative work aligns with and contributes to the university's CADRE values, including interdisciplinary efforts or community engagement.