

## Scoring Rubric for the David L. Larimore Excellence in Research Award

Criteria	Excellent (3 points)	Good (2 points)	Fair (1 point)	Poor (0 points)
<b>Quality of Research</b>	Exceptional depth and originality. Significant contribution to the field. Comprehensive and insightful analysis.	Good depth and originality. Notable contribution. Adequate analysis.	Basic depth and originality. Minimal contribution. Superficial analysis.	Lacks depth and originality. No discernible contribution. Inadequate analysis.
<b>Publication or Presentation</b>	Published/presented in a top-tier conference/journal. Peer-reviewed OR shows evidence of submission to a journal or conference.	Published/presented in a recognized conference/journal. Partially peer-reviewed OR shows evidence of submission to a journal or conference.	Presented in a local or less known conference. Limited peer review OR shows evidence of submission to a journal or conference.	Not published or presented. No peer review.
<b>Contribution to Education</b>	Significant impact. Introduces innovative practices/theories.	Moderate impact. Introduces useful practices/theories.	Limited impact. Few new insights.	Negligible impact. No new insights.
<b>Faculty Recommendation</b>	Strong endorsements from one or more faculty members.	Positive endorsement from faculty.	General endorsement with reservations.	No or negative endorsement from faculty.
<b>Communication of Findings</b>	Exceptionally clear, effective, and engaging communication to both academic and non-academic audiences.	Clear and mostly effective communication. Reasonably engaging.	Adequate communication but lacks engagement or clarity in some parts.	Poor communication skills. Not engaging. Lacks clarity.

### Scoring Guidelines:

Each criterion is scored on a scale of 0 to 3.

- A score of 3 indicates excellence, 2 is very good, 1 is good, 1 is poor, and 0 indicates the criterion was not met.
- The maximum possible score is 15 points.
- The candidate with the highest total score is considered for the award.
- In case of a tie, additional considerations such as the candidate's overall contribution to the academic community or a detailed review of their research may be used as tie-breakers.

This rubric ensures a comprehensive and fair assessment of each candidate's suitability for the "David L. Larimore Excellence in Research Award."