

The Edward A. Dickson Emeritus/a Professorship
Call for Proposals
WINTER 2012

The Award

The Edward A. Dickson Emeritus/a Professorship Award at the Riverside campus will be awarded beginning with the 2008-2009 academic year and annually thereafter, to one or more emeritus professors for teaching, research, or public service activities that are in accordance with the intent of the donor. The awardee(s) shall be known as the Edward A. Dickson Emeritus/a Professor for the duration of the award. The award also conveys up to \$6,000 which may be used for salary, travel or research support, subject to all policies and requirements of the University and the Riverside Campus.

Links to these guidelines are provided in the document *Award Compensation Information* located on the Academic Personnel website, under the heading "Programs and Awards":

<http://academicpersonnel.ucr.edu/awards/>

and on the Academic Senate website, under the heading "Awards":

<http://senate.ucr.edu/awards/>

At the end of the award period, each awardee will submit a concise written report of the accomplishments that have resulted from the Professorship.

The CALL

All UCR emeriti faculty are invited to submit proposals clearly specifying how they would use the Edward A. Dickson Emeritus/a Professorship Award. The proposal must be in accordance with the intent of the donor to support teaching, research or public service. It should address the amount of time the individual will devote to the project and include a detailed budget that clearly specifies how the funds will be utilized. Appropriate uses of funds would include, but are not limited to, travel to research sites, salary for research assistants, and purchase of consumable supplies or services necessary for the completion of the project. Proposals should be concise, but provide sufficient information to permit the selection committee to make an informed decision as to their merit. Candidates are urged to submit proposals in language understandable to a general audience.

The award is open to all Emeriti Faculty, regardless of whether he/she is on recall for teaching and/or research or not on recall at all. It is advised that applicants consult with the Benefits Office regarding possible tax and retirement implications, if they have other compensated appointments with the University. Awards are **not to be** used to supplement recall salary.

Proposals of no more than 2 pages addressing how the candidate would use the award should be submitted along with a two-page biographical sketch, to the Committee on Faculty Welfare at the Office of the Academic Senate by **5:00 p.m., FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2012**. The Biographical Sketch should include a summary of the applicant's professional history and appointments, a list of five publications most closely related to the proposed project, plus up to five additional publications, and a list significant professional activities or achievements such as recent awards, significant administrative appointments, current membership on editorial boards, invited presentations, *etc.* Applications can also be submitted electronically to cynthia.palmer@ucr.edu

Selection Committee and Process

The Selection Committee shall be the Committee on Faculty Welfare of the Riverside Division of the Academic Senate, whose membership includes active and retired faculty. The Committee will evaluate the proposals and the nominees' previous contributions in the areas of teaching, research and service, and shall nominate one or two emeriti faculty for the award. The nomination package is subject to CAP review, in concurrence with UCR's Policy on Endowed Chairs. After CAP has reviewed and approved the nomination(s), they are sent to the EVC/P for appointment, which is effective the following academic year.

Award Requirements

Each emeritus professor receiving support from the Dickson endowment shall be known as the Edward A. Dickson Emeritus/a Professor for the duration of the year awarded. At the end of the award year, each awardee will provide a concise written report of the accomplishments that have resulted from the Professorship, in concurrence with the UCR Policy on Endowed Chairs. The reports should be submitted to the EVC/P and will be made available to the Selection Committee upon request. Individuals may receive this award only once during their career.

Background of the Award

Edward A. Dickson served as a regent of the University of California from 1913-1946, the longest tenure of any Regent. His vision is credited with helping to make the Los Angeles campus a reality. In 1955 Mr. Dickson presented the University with an endowment to provide for annual special professorships for retired faculty.

The 1955 gift document describing this award states:

For the support and maintenance of special annual professorships in the University of California to which shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Regents, persons of academic rank who have been retired after service in the University of California and who shall receive such awards in addition to their retirement or pension allowances. Awards shall be made upon such conditions of service, research or teaching as The Regents may require. Professorships so awarded shall be known as the Edward A. Dickson Emeriti Professorships.

In 2003 the funds for the Dickson award were separated into ten endowments, one dedicated to each campus. The responsibility for making the awards was delegated to the Executive Vice Chancellor or chief academic officer at each of the ten campuses. On the UCR campus, award oversight and evaluation is performed by the UCR Academic Senate Committee on Faculty Welfare.