

## **Guidelines for the Stodghill Research Professorships**

### **Description**

The Stodghill Research Professorships are competitive, two-course release awards for faculty members to pursue research, intensive practice of one's art, or some other special project. The two-course release time will be taken in a single academic year, in whatever manner the faculty member feels is most appropriate. A Stodghill Research Professorship will not interfere with normal sabbatical schedules. Neither will it be scheduled in such a way as to put the academic program's nor students' course needs at risk. Stodghill Research Professors will be released from council and faculty committee obligations and official college functions like Opening Convocation and Commencement during the term(s) that they are awarded the professorship. Under most circumstances, it is expected that the recipient's advising responsibilities will be continued. Four to six awards will be made every year. In a year in which there is some conflict between the academic needs of the college and the pursuit of a project, a worthy proposal may not be funded.

### **Eligibility**

1. Only faculty with a full-time teaching load (18 hrs) will be eligible.
2. These faculty members become eligible following a successful mid-probationary review. Typically this is in the fourth year of service.
3. The cycle of eligibility will normally be every seven years: an award winner will not be eligible again for seven years after having received the award. Faculty will not be allowed to couple Stodghill Research Professorships with sabbatical leaves.

### **Guidelines**

The Faculty Development Committee will review proposals and make recommendations to the Dean and President of the College. The Committee will be expected to make six or fewer recommendations, and it is understood that not all recommendations will be funded, either because the project is not deemed to be worthy, there are more worthy proposals than the number of Stodghill Research Professorships available, or due to conflicts with curriculum or staffing, as determined by the Dean of the College.

The general guidelines for proposals are:

The deadline for proposals is September 21, 2009

**Proposals are limited to 1,100 words.** Submit your proposal via email to the chair of FDC, the Dean, and your Division Chair.

Proposals should:

1. provide sufficient background to inform the committee of the nature of the project
2. indicate concrete results expected from the work and a timetable for completion.
3. explain how the project will benefit the faculty member and the college
4. show how the project is feasible in the time frame requested
5. explain to what extent the release time will affect the program curriculum and course offerings and **confirm that you have discussed these issues with your program and division chairs.**

### **Report**

Stodghill recipients must submit a report of their activities to both the FDC chair and the dean. If you have release in the fall,