

GUIDELINES FOR VICE-CHANCELLOR'S AWARDS 2021

Vice-Chancellor's awards are presented in the following categories

Faculty / Institute-wise awards

1. Outstanding Senior Researchers
2. Outstanding Early Career Researchers
3. The most outstanding recipient of external research grants
4. The researcher with the highest number of publications in indexed journals

University-wide awards

5. The best inventors/ innovators (1st, 2nd, and 3rd)
6. The academic with the most outstanding creative production
7. The academic with the most outstanding creative literary work
8. The best promoter of international relations
9. The researcher with the most publications from internal research grants
10. The faculty with the highest number of research papers presented in research conferences/symposia organized by it and its departments/centers/units

Academics who wish to be considered for the Vice-Chancellor's Awards must submit an application together with a self-evaluation and all relevant documents to the Vice-Chancellor's Office by November each year. The relevant documents should include copies of the papers/abstracts with indexing evidence, copies of books, book chapters, translations, monographs, evidence for editing journals, orations/keynote addresses with published excerpts, proof of citations within the relevant period, evidence for supervision and completion of degrees, copies of patents or gazettes, award letters of grants with amounts mentioned and any other relevant evidence. The selection panel is not responsible for finding evidence. Claims without evidence will not be evaluated.

Terms and conditions

1. The achievements from 1st November of the preceding year to 31st October of the year concerned are considered for evaluation.
2. The applicants should be members of the permanent staff of the University of Kelaniya during the period of evaluation and on the date of presentation of the awards.
3. Applications with self-evaluation prepared according to the guidelines (given separately) should be submitted to the Vice-Chancellor's office through the Head of the Department and Dean of the Faculty.
4. Reprints/certified photocopies of research papers, evidence for the SCOPUS indexing of the conference as well as the papers published as full articles at the conference,

copies of books and other publications and certified copies of all other relevant documents should be submitted with the applications.

5. Reprints of research papers and copies of books submitted will not be returned to the applicants and will be deposited in the University main library.
6. The applicants should have Google Scholar and ResearchGate profiles which have been made public. The relevant web links should be indicated in the application.
7. Applicants for the outstanding Senior Researcher or the outstanding Early Career Researcher awards are not precluded from applying for the awards for the most outstanding inventor / innovator, the most outstanding recipient of external research grants and the most outstanding promoter of international relations.
8. In order to qualify for the Outstanding Senior Researcher or the Outstanding Early Career Researcher awards, the University of Kelaniya address should appear below the name of the applicant in the publications considered for the award. The papers without the words "University of Kelaniya" in the address shall not be considered for awards.
9. The abstracts of the research papers considered for the Outstanding Senior Researcher or the Outstanding Early Career Researcher awards should have been published in the e-repository of the University website and the applicants should indicate the relevant web links in the application.
10. If Criterion 9 is not fulfilled at the time of application, PDF versions of the abstract of each paper considered for the award should be submitted with the application. These will not be returned to the applicant.
11. The abstracts of the research papers considered for the Outstanding Senior Researcher or the Outstanding Early Career Researchers awards should have been published in the ResearchGate profile of the applicant at the time of application and the applicant should indicate the relevant web link of these abstracts in the application.
12. The decision of the Committee appointed by the Vice Chancellor for evaluation of applications for the Vice-Chancellor's Awards shall be final.