

Title: Outstanding Book Award

Purpose: The Outstanding Book Award is designed to recognize a single publication of a book reflecting a significant contribution to the academic community. The winning book will reflect a significant scholarly achievement that is acknowledged by the larger public.

Eligibility: Any full-time teaching faculty with an earned terminal degree (or equivalent) and a minimum of 5 years of service at KSU with a total of 10 years of higher education experience is eligible to apply for the award. Administrators with faculty rank are ineligible for faculty awards (i.e., receives a Contract for Faculty Ranked Administrators). In other words, only faculty members who have been issued a fiscal or academic year Tenured Personnel or Non-Tenured Personnel contract are eligible for this award. Award winners are eligible to reapply once every 5 years. The book submitted for consideration cannot simultaneously be considered for an Outstanding Research/Creative Activity award. A faculty can only receive this award once for one edition of the same book. The award recipient must be under contract at KSU when the award is presented.

Award Amount: Each award consists of \$5,000 and a plaque (or sculpture).

Number and Frequency of Awards: One award may be presented annually. However, if there is a lack of outstanding candidates, an award may not be granted.

Award Criteria: The candidate must demonstrate a significant contribution to the academic community resulting from the publication of their book. This includes both hard copy and electronic books. Books being considered must have been published within the past two calendar years. Both single and multi-authored books will be considered with the award split among KSU co-authors. The following are non-ranked examples of accomplishments that may be included as evidence.

- External awards and recognitions by local, national and international organizations for books;
- Adoption of a book at multiple universities;
- Translation of the book into other languages;
- Number sold;
- Professional reviews;
- Other materials that may be relevant.

Application Procedures: Submit the following via e-mail to **Dr. Charles Amlaner:**

- A completed Cover Sheet (see below);
- A 3-5 page summary statement by the nominee highlighting his/her scholarly and creative achievements in relation to the award criteria. This includes reviews, citations, citation index, previous awards, should be included;
- The summary must be single spaced using 12 point Times New Roman font with one inch margins;
- A current curriculum vitae;

- A copy of the book;
- A maximum of three external letters in support of the nomination;
- All materials except for the copy of the book must be compiled into a single pdf document.

Application Deadline: March 13, 2017 – 5:00 pm

Evaluation Criteria and Procedures: The Outstanding Book Award Selection Committee will look for originality, creativity, productivity, and for an outstanding work that has gained national and international recognition. Factors to be considered will also include the scope and difficulty of the research/creative activity, degree of innovation and independent thought, development of new ideas, techniques and methodology, and the significance of the candidate's book to his or her field.

Nominations will be evaluated by a university committee including one member from each of the degree granting colleges. Because members serving on this committee may not be experts in the nominee's field, it is important that nominations be submitted in language understandable to faculty in other disciplines.

The recipient will be recognized at the University's annual Honors and Awards Ceremony at the beginning of Fall semester and agrees to be present.

Questions: Contact camlaner@kennesaw.edu

COVER SHEET - Outstanding Book Award

Name of Applicant: _____

Date Submitted: _____

College: _____

Department: _____