OUTSTANDING PAPER AWARDS PROGRAM Fogelman College of Business & Economics

Guidelines for Submissions and Evaluation of Papers for Outstanding Paper Awards

Approved by the Sub-Council for Ph.D. Programs and Research

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During the fall semester of each academic year, the Fogelman College of Business & Economics invites College faculty members to submit papers for the annual Outstanding Paper Awards. The purpose of the Outstanding Paper Awards is to recognize the success of College faculty members who have made significant research contributions to their discipline.

There are two categories of Outstanding Paper Awards:

- I. Preeminent Publication Awards
- II. Competitive Publication Awards

The Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Research will announce the call for submissions and specify the deadline for submissions.

I. Preeminent Publication Award

This award recognizes unconditionally accepted or published peer-reviewed papers, excluding rejoinders or comments. Awards are granted for articles published or accepted in journals listed in the Appendix, regardless of the faculty member's home department.

Award Details

- Individual Awards: Sole authors in FCBE receive \$3,000.
- **Joint Authors in FCBE:** Share a \$6,000 award equally (e.g., \$3,000 each for two authors; \$2,000 each for three authors).
- Collaborations with Non-FCBE Authors: Awards are given only to FCBE faculty members.
- No Limits: There is no limit on the number of awards an individual can receive.

Eligibility

- Articles must be published or accepted between August 1 of the calendar year preceding the call for submissions and July 31 of the calendar year of the call for submissions.
- Chairs of Excellence and Endowed Chairs are eligible to submit.
- Papers submitted for this award cannot be submitted for the Competitive Publication Awards.

Submission Requirements

- Submit a PDF of the published version of the article to the Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Research by the stated deadline.
- For papers that have been accepted but not yet published, the editor's acceptance notification and a pdf version of the accepted paper must be submitted.

II. Competitive Publication Awards

These awards recognize the diversity of scholarly work within the College by distinguishing between two separate sub-categories of research:

- **A.** Conceptual/Theoretical: Articles that advance the literature through theoretical insights without data collection or analysis.
- **B.** Empirical: Articles that contribute to the literature through data collection and/or analysis.

These categories reflect the College's commitment to valuing both types of research equally, without implying that one is superior to the other.

If there is uncertainty regarding the appropriate category for a given submission, the Ph.D. Sub-Council will make the final determination.

Award Details

- 1st Place in Each Category: Plaque and \$1,000.
- 2nd Place in Each Category: Plague and \$500.

Eligibility

- Articles must be published in print or online fully formatted between August 1 of the calendar
 year preceding the call for submissions and July 31 of the calendar year of the call for
 submissions.
- Articles must be published in journals recognized in the rankings of one of the College's departments.

- There is no limit on the number of papers that may be submitted in total or in specific categories, nor is there a limit on submissions from year to year.
- Chairs of Excellence and Endowed Chairs are not eligible to submit papers, but coauthors who have made significant contributions may submit.
- Papers submitted for the Preeminent Publication Award are not eligible.

Evaluation Criteria

- 1. **Journal Quality:** Journals must be recognized in the rankings of one of the College's departments. Supplementary evidence of quality (e.g., external rankings, citation indices, acceptance rates, and affiliations) may also be considered.
- 2. **Author Contributions:** The role, type, and contribution for the submitting author will be evaluated. Additional clarification may be requested if necessary.
- Relevance to the Field: Articles will be evaluated on their significance to the discipline, including their potential impact, relevance to U.S. readers, and contribution to emerging or established themes.
- 4. **Other factors:** For example, the quality of data, statistical techniques, and overall methodological approach are factors the PhD Sub-Council may consider for empirical articles.

Evaluation Process

- 1. **Blind Review Process:** All submissions will be reviewed anonymously by the Ph.D. Sub-Council to ensure fairness and impartiality.
- 2. **Discipline-Specific Lead Role:** The Sub-Council member representing the discipline of the author(s) will take a lead role in discussing and evaluating the article under consideration as needed, and should be prepared to respond to questions about the article under review and/or provide context about the journal in which the article was published.
- 3. **Scoring:** Sub-Council members evaluate submissions using a 5-point scale (5 = highest, 1 = lowest). Initial rankings are based on mean scores, followed by discussions and final review. The top two papers in each category (or more in case of ties) are submitted to the Dean's Office.

Submission Requirements

Faculty must submit the following materials electronically to the Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Research by the stated deadline:

- 1. **Redacted Article:** A PDF version of the **published article** with all identifying information redacted (e.g., author names, affiliations, email addresses, and self-citations).
- 2. **Memo:** An anonymized statement addressing the evaluation criteria. The following information must be included:

- Each author's contribution (roles of each author, etc.).
- Provide the College's departmental ranking of the journal.
- Additional evidence of quality (e.g., citation indices, acceptance rates, external rankings, acceptance at conferences, affiliations, etc.), if applicable.
- o A statement on the article's relevance and impact within its discipline.
- o Any other information the submitter feels appropriate to address the evaluation criteria.
- 3. **Title Page:** A separate title page listing the article's title, authors, and affiliations for identification purposes.

Appendix: Preeminent Publication Journals

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Accounting

The Accounting Review
Accounting, Organizations and Society
Contemporary Accounting Research
Journal of Accounting and Economics
Journal of Accounting Research

Economics

American Economic Review
Econometrica
Economic Journal
Journal of International Economics
Journal of Monetary Economics
Journal of Political Economy
Quarterly Journal of Economics
RAND Journal of Economics
Review of Economic Studies
Review of Economics and Statistics

Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate

Journal of Finance
Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis
Journal of Financial Economics
Real Estate Economics
Review of Financial Studies

Management

Academy of Management Journal Academy of Management Review Administrative Science Quarterly Journal of Applied Psychology Journal of Management Organization Science Personnel Psychology Strategic Management Journal

Management Information Systems

Journal of Marketing

Information Systems Research Journal of Management Information Systems (added 1.18.17) MIS Quarterly

Marketing and Supply Chain Management

Journal of Marketing Research
Journal of Consumer Research
Management Science
Marketing Science
Journal of Operations Management
Operations Research
Productions and Operations Management
Journal of Business Logistics
Journal of Supply Chain Management