



# Spring Convocation Award Narrative

Name: **VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH'S AWARD FOR MERITORIOUS TECHNOLOGY/SCIENCE**

Description: The Montana State University Award for Meritorious Technology/Science will be given to an MSU faculty member who has made one or more significant technological/scientific contributions. It is essential that the technology has the potential for transfer to the private sector, or has already been successfully transferred to the private sector, therefore, it is expected that an invention disclosure has been filed regarding the technology or that a patent for the technology has been filed/granted. Individuals who have been granted plant variety protection may also be considered for this award.

Eligibility: All faculty

Sponsor: The Office of Research and Economic Development

Award Amount: \$2,500

Selection Criteria:

- Any Montana State University-Bozeman faculty member who has made one or more significant technological/scientific contributions. It is essential that the technology has the potential for transfer to the private sector, or has already been successfully transferred to the private sector, therefore, it is expected that an invention disclosure has been filed regarding the technology or that a patent for the technology has been filed/granted. Individuals who have been granted plant variety protection may also be considered for this award.

Nomination Materials Required: The nomination letter must clearly justify the reasons the nominee should be recognized. The nominator must also articulate the importance of the technological/scientific advance(s) contributed by the nominee. In addition to the nomination letter, the nominator must submit a maximum of two letters of support with his/her

letter of nomination. Support letters must describe the nature of the technological/scientific accomplishment(s). The letter must include an assessment of the originality of the contribution and an evaluation of the realized or potential impact of the technology. It is strongly recommended that at least one of these letters of support be an external assessment of the technological/scientific advances(s) under consideration. Nomination materials must include a current vita of the nominee.

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