Two Robinson Graduate Awards for Research Creativity are presented annually to graduate students affiliated with the College of Health Sciences who are working on an advanced degree. The awards may be presented to two students (one at the doctoral level and one at either the master’s level or clinical doctorate level) who demonstrate and are engaged in productive and successful scientific research.

Selection Criteria
- Candidate's training and experiences
- Scholarly productivity
- Funding obtained
- Research independence
- Future potential as a scholar

A selection committee, chaired by the Associate Dean for Research (ADR), will be charged with observing the stated guidelines when reviewing nominations for the awards. The selection committee will be composed of the college’s ADR and Research Advisory Committee.

This committee will review all nominations, select one recipient for each level, and notify the Dean. The Robinson Graduate Awards for Research Creativity will be awarded annually unless there are no nominees or the selection committee determines that materials submitted are incomplete or inadequate. The Robinson Graduate Awards for Research Creativity may be awarded to the same individual on more than one occasion.

Guidelines for Submission of Materials
The Committee will base their recommendations on review of the documentation submitted by the nominator. All documentation should be submitted by Wednesday, January 31, 2024. The documentation for nominations will be assembled by the nominating individual and must include the following:

1. Letter of support from a faculty member familiar with the student’s work. The letter should include a description of the research and scholarly agenda of the nominee demonstrating the nominee’s productivity and scientific success, and the letter should provide evidence in support of the nominee’s impact on furthering the profession through his/her research agenda. This may include examples of publications, previous awards/nominations, and evidence of presentations at national or regional meetings.

2. Nominee’s CV

3. Additional materials as appropriate, which may include representative samples of the nominee’s work (e.g., manuscripts, abstracts, presentations)

Please submit all materials in a single .pdf to Betsy Northrup (betsy.northrup@uky.edu).

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