



2006 Vice-Chancellor's Awards Guidelines

Introduction

Each year, Vice-Chancellor's Awards are presented in categories, most of them based on the University's 'strategic themes', to underscore Swinburne's commitment to quality and to recognize the achievements of staff. For 2006, the awards are as follows:

- VC's Teaching Award (Higher Education) – up to eight awards in various categories
- VC's Teaching Award (TAFE) – up to nine awards in various categories
- VC's Research Award – up to two awards
- VC's Research Award (Early Career) – up to two awards
- VC's Industry Engagement Award – up to one award
- VC's Community Engagement Award – up to one award
- VC's Intersectoral Collaboration Award – up to one award
- VC's Internationalisation Award – up to one award
- VC's Innovation Award – up to one award
- VC's Sustainability Award – up to one award
- VC's Service Excellence Award – up to two awards

Selection criteria and guidelines

Selection criteria and guidelines for each Award are provided overleaf, together with selection panel compositions. Management and coordination of the Awards process will be the responsibility of the Strategic Planning & Quality Unit, except in the case of the Vice-Chancellor's Awards (Higher Education, which will be coordinated by the DVC, Learning and Teaching. Self-nomination and/or nomination by others will apply in respect of all Award categories, and most Awards are open to either individuals or teams. All nominations will require endorsement by the nominee's manager, or an appropriate senior manager.

1. Nominations will be sought during August – September 2006, with a **closing date of 31 October 2006**
2. Selection panels will convene during November 2006 and recommend Award 'winners' to the Vice-Chancellor – up to the number allowed in each category, and according to the relevant selection criteria.
3. The Vice-Chancellor will determine the Award winners, on the basis of advice provided by the selection panels.
4. Awards will be presented at a function (or functions) held late in 2006 and/or early in 2007.
5. Some Award winners will be supported to develop more comprehensive applications to meet the requirements of relevant state and/or national awards, and to summarise their work on Swinburne's 'good practice database'.
6. For 2006, each Award will have a monetary value of \$1,000, to be deposited in an appropriate extraneous account and used for such things as professional development or resource acquisition in support of the winner's future work at Swinburne.

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Training Initiative (up to 2 per year)
2 across the schools/groups/units/college

Convenor: Executive Director Educational Development

Selection criteria/guidelines (training initiative)

- Outcomes and achievements: excellence, innovation & impact
- Client focus: needs identification, flexibility, equity & achievement
- Leading practice in VET
- Potential: formative evaluation, further development & sustainability

Research

Convenor: PVC Research

- **VC's Research Award** (up to 2 per year)

Selection criteria/guidelines:

- Outstanding achievement in research (quality & impact)
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions

- DVC HED or nominee
- DVC TAFE or nominee

- **VC's Research Award (Early Career)** (up to 2 per year)

Selection criteria/guidelines:

- Excellent achievement in research (quality & impact)
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions

Industry & Community Engagement

Convenor: PVC Industry Engagement

- **VC's Industry Engagement Award** (up to 1 per year)

Selection criteria/guidelines:

- Significant achievement in industry engagement
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions

- DVC HED or nominee
- DVC TAFE or nominee
- Director Swinburne Industry Solutions

- **VC's Community Engagement Award** (up to 1 per year)

Selection criteria/guidelines:

- Significant achievement in community engagement
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions

Convenor: PVC Community Engagement

- DVC HED or nominee
- DVC TAFE or nominee
- Director CRD

Intersectoral Advantage

Convenor: Intersectoral Advisory Committee Chair

- **VC's Intersectoral Collaboration Award** (up to 1 per year)

Selection criteria/guidelines:

- Significant achievement in intersectoral collaboration
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions

- DVC HED or nominee
- DVC TAFE or nominee

Internationalisation

Convenor: PVC International

- **VC's Internationalisation Award** (up to 1 per year)

- DVC HED or nominee
- DVC TAFE or nominee

Selection criteria/guidelines

- Significant achievement in internationalisation
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions

Innovation & entrepreneurship

Convenor: VP Resources

- **VC's Innovation Award** (up to 1 per year)

- DVC HED or nominee
- DVC TAFE or nominee

Selection criteria/guidelines:

- Significant achievement in innovation, and/or entrepreneurship
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions
- Demonstrated benefit to stakeholders and return on investment

Sustainability

Convenor: VP Resources

- **VC's Sustainability Award** (up to 1 per year)

- DVC HED or nominee
- DVC TAFE or nominee
- VP Student Affairs or nominee
- PVC Community Engagement or nominee
- Director, National Centre for Sustainability

Selection criteria/guidelines:

- Significant achievement in sustainability
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions
- Demonstrated impact, within Swinburne and/or externally

Service

Convenor: VP Student Affairs

- **VC's Service Excellence Award** (up to 2 per year)

- DVC HED or nominee
- DVC TAFE or nominee
- VP Resources or nominee
- DVC Learning & Teaching or nominee

Selection criteria/guidelines:

- Significant achievement in an area of service
- Contribution to Swinburne's strategic directions
- Demonstrated benefit to clients/customers