TO: Academic Deans and Department Chairs

FROM: Michael R. Halleran
Provost

DATE: March 30, 2010

SUBJECT: 2011 Virginia Outstanding Faculty Awards

This year the College of William and Mary will have the opportunity to nominate up to eight faculty members to be considered for the 2011 Virginia Outstanding Faculty Awards sponsored by Dominion and SCHEV. At least 12 recipients will be named this year. Included in the awardees will be two recipients recognized as early-career “Rising Stars” and one recognized for outstanding “Teaching with Technology.” The 2011 award stipends are $5,000 each. There is no shortage of worthy nominees at William and Mary, and I know that you will wish to identify members of your faculties who should be considered.

Please send your letter/s of nomination, which should be no longer than two pages, plus current CV’s to Shirley Aceto in the Provost’s Office by 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2010. If you make more than one nomination, you must rank them.

I am establishing a faculty committee to review your initial nominations and to work with the faculty selected as our institutional candidates.

The criteria for nomination are as follows:

Nominees for the 2011 Virginia Outstanding Faculty Awards should have a current record of superior accomplishment in teaching, discovery, integration of knowledge and service. The documentation submitted in support of a nominee should include details of the nominee’s achievements and contributions. Descriptive and evaluative statements from current and former students, faculty and professional colleagues, administrators, private and public sector leaders, and others should be provided.
**Rising Star Nominations:** A nominee in this category must be in no more than his/her sixth year of continuous service as a full-time faculty member and must be in at least his/her third year of continuous faculty service in Virginia. Each institution is limited to one nomination in the Rising Star category. The Rising Star nomination does not count against the maximum eight nominations allocated to William and Mary.

**Teaching with Technology Nominations:** A nominee must possess a record of superior accomplishment in integrating educational/instructional technologies into the student learning process. Furthermore, the nominee must demonstrate clear and compelling evidence of his/her effectiveness and achievements in promoting and enhancing student learning outcomes via the integrative use of technology. Nominees in the Teaching with Technology category do count against the eight nominations allocated to William and Mary.

The faculty members chosen as institutional candidates will be responsible for compiling the necessary documentation in support of their candidacy, in consultation with the faculty committee.

In order to assure the receipt of the nomination packages to SCHEV by their deadline date, **we must receive the completed OFA nomination packages for the institutional candidates in the Provost’s Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 6, 2010.**

A committee of education, business and civic leaders will assist SCHEV in selecting the recipients. Winners will be announced in the winter at an annual celebration at the State Capitol in Richmond.

Thank you nominating your strongest faculty for these prestigious awards.