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To: Faculty; Staff

Subject: Distinguished Professor for 2016-2017

Dear Faculty and Staff:

You are invited to submit nominations to the Office of the Provost for the Francis Marion University Distinguished Professor Award for 2016-2017. The faculty member selected will also represent the University as the nominee for the South Carolina Distinguished Professor of the Year Award next spring.

Award criteria will be based on the faculty member's contribution in teaching, scholarly activity, and professional service. Selection will be made from among nominated faculty members by the Distinguished Professor Selection Committee consisting of all Distinguished Professors currently under contract and students appointed by the Provost.

Those eligible for consideration for this award must be current full-time tenured, tenure-track Francis Marion University employees (including department chairpersons and school deans). Contact the Office of the Provost if you have questions regarding a potential nominee's eligibility.

Nominations for the award may come from a faculty colleague, an FMU student who has been enrolled within the last twelve months, or a current staff member. Eligible faculty members may also nominate themselves.

The deadline for nominations is **Tuesday**, **February 28**, at **5:00 p.m.** They must be made to the Office of the Provost (SAB 115) in the form of a brief letter or e-mail message to <u>itaylor@fmarion.edu</u>.

If the writer so desires, the letter or e-mail may explain why the faculty member being nominated would be a worthy recipient of the award. (The Distinguished Professor Selection Committee suggests that a letter of recommendation accompany the person being nominated).

All nominations are warmly encouraged.

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