

Chancellor EDGES Fellowships 2024 Enhancing Development and Generating Excellence in Scholarship

Overview: The Chancellor EDGES Fellowship program is designed to honor and retain midcareer faculty who are demonstrating significant accomplishment in their discipline, have gained recognition both nationally and internationally, and are on track to be honored for their accomplishments at the highest levels (such as national academies and national or international awards in fields without national academies).

Eligibility: Tenured faculty at the rank of Associate Professor or early full professor (within 8 years of promotion). These funds can be used to retain current faculty who have been at TAMU a minimum of 5 years.

Awards: Funds may be requested once a year before April 30th. The funding package should be developed to address the highest needs of the candidate (i.e. funding for summer salary, personnel support, equipment, travel, renovations). Cost-sharing/match is expected. Existing start-up funds should have been expended. To be clear, these funds are not to be expended directly to the recipient as an award. Funding will be available on September 1 (\$3 million/yr. total). Each college may submit one nomination at this time.

Subsequent nominations: Colleges may submit a nomination (including a second one per college) after the April 30 deadline, so long as funds for the current fiscal year remain available. Nominations may be made and will be awarded on a rolling basis until next spring.

Budgets: A budget of up to \$100,000 does not require matching funds, budgets larger than \$100K should be matched 1:1 for the amount above \$100K.

Term of Appointment: While the funds are allocated for a 3-year period and should be expended over that time frame, a no cost extension of up to 1 additional year may be permitted subject to approval by the Office of the Chancellor. Requests for extensions should be directed to Faculty Affairs for coordination with the Office of the Chancellor. Funds allocated by the Office of the Provost not spent by that time will be returned. Each holder of a Chancellor EDGES Fellowship will retain the right to use the title of Chancellor EDGES Fellow so long as they remain a faculty member in good standing. A faculty member may receive this award once.

Reporting Requirement: Each EDGES Fellow is expected to submit 2 reports, a progress report at the end of year 1 and a final report at the end of year 3 (regardless of whether there was an extension granted the report is due at end of year 3). These brief reports, written as a memo to the Provost, need not be more than one page, although there is no restriction. The reports describe in general terms projected and actual achievements (e.g. awards, recognitions) resulting from receipt of the Fellowship.

Selection: Nominations will be reviewed by a selection committee designated by the Provost and Executive Vice President and the program managed by the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs.

Nomination Package: In addition to a complete CV, please provide a letter of nomination (maximum of 2000 words). The letters should include an assessment of the breadth and importance of the nominee's scholarly work relative to their peers, the impact on the discipline or society, and evidence of substantial national or international recognition that argues for future recognition at the highest levels. Additionally, please include information about future external award nominations that the school/college will submit for the candidate. Submit to Faculty Affairs Awards Programs awardsprograms@tamu.edu.