380.2 Research/Creativity Awards.

The ISU Board of Trustees has established the Theodore Dreiser Distinguished Research/Creativity Award at Indiana State University for faculty members who have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of knowledge. Funds are made available so that a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of four (4) awards, each with a stipend and a plaque certifying this special achievement, may be presented at spring commencement. In each year at least one (1) award should be given in each of the two (2) categories - research and creativity.

380.2.1 Requirements. Candidates for the award must be tenured or tenure-track full-time members of the Indiana State University faculty. In addition, their work must meet the following requirements:

a. Research/creativity other than that completed to satisfy advanced degree requirements.

b. Research/creativity substantially completed while the candidate was a tenured or tenure-track full-time member of the Indiana State University faculty.

c. Research/creativity representing a single major contribution completed within the four (4) years immediately prior to application, or outstanding contributions that have characterized one’s professional life.

d. Research/creativity which represents a contribution of national significance to a candidate’s field of specialization.

380.2.2 Nomination Process. Forms may be obtained from the College of Graduate and Professional Studies. Any tenured or tenure-track full-time faculty member may nominate himself/herself. Faculty, department chairpersons, and deans are encouraged to nominate faculty colleagues. Faculty members who have received an award will be ineligible for consideration again for a four-year period. Nomination forms must be submitted to the College of Graduate and Professional Studies, by December 1 of each year.

380.2.3 Supporting Data. The Dean of the College of Graduate and Professional Studies will collect the supporting data relative to the nominees, and the selection committee will be responsible for any outside correspondence with experts in a candidate’s area of expertise. This correspondence will document the significance of the research/creativity.