From: Office of the Vice-President Research & International

To: Associate Deans Research, President’s Advisory Committee - Major Awards, Faculty Research Awards Committee, Liu Institute, Peter Wall Institute, Hospital Affiliates, Award & Grant Facilitators.

Good morning everyone,

Please share the following information with Department Heads and Faculty Members:

**MAJOR RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES:**

The VPRI Office tracks and communicates about major external award opportunities, with deadlines available on the VPRI award webpage. **Active** competitions are indicated by date: [http://research.ubc.ca/vpri/external-award-deadlines](http://research.ubc.ca/vpri/external-award-deadlines)

**Note:** The VPRI Office is seeking **three strong female candidates** for nomination under the *institutional* category for submission to the **Royal Society of Canada’s College of New Scholars, Artists & Scientists**. Please review the award description below.

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THE ORDER OF CANADA – The Governor General of Canada

**Deadline:** Ongoing

**Description:** All Canadians are eligible to be nominated for the Order of Canada, with the exception of federal and provincial politicians and judges while in office. There are no posthumous appointments.

**Research area(s):** All fields

DISTINGUISHED ACADEMIC AWARDS - Confederation of University Faculty Associations of BC (CUFA BC)

**Deadline:** January 15, 2015

**Description:** The Distinguished Academic Awards recognize academic staff members of British Columbia public universities who have made outstanding contributions to the community through their academic work. All forms of research and scholarly activity that contribute to the community beyond the academy are eligible for consideration.

**Research Area(s):** Multiple

RSL MEDALS & LECTURES – The Royal Society of London

**Deadline:** January 30, 2015

**Description:** The Royal Society of London, the oldest scientific academy in continuous existence, recognizes excellence in science and technology through its medals, awards and prize lectures.

**Research area(s):** Science & Technology, Engineering Sciences, Life Sciences & Medicine

THE HARVEY PRIZE – Technion/Israel Institute of Technology

**Deadline:** February 7, 2015

**Description:** The Harvey Prize is awarded annually in a variety of disciplines within the categories of Science & Technology and Human Health. Fields rotate annually. The Harvey Prize has also been awarded for Contribution to Peace in the Middle East. The Harvey Prize is intended, in principle, to recognize recent breakthroughs in science and technology. Work done in the past may be selected for the award if its significance has recently been appreciated.

**Research Areas(s):** Science & Technology

TIMOTHY R. PARSONS MEDAL – Fisheries and Oceans Canada

**Deadline:** February 28, 2015

**Description:** Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) has established the Timothy R. Parsons Award for excellence in Ocean Sciences to recognize a Canadian scientist for outstanding lifetime contributions to multidisciplinary facets of ocean sciences or for a recent exceptional achievement, while working within a Canadian institution.

**Research Area(s):** Ocean Sciences

THE JAPAN PRIZE – The Japan Prize Foundation

**Deadline:** February 28, 2015
**UBC Internal requirement:** Please contact the VPRI Office brenda.carrier@ubc.ca by January 26 to advise of your intent to nominate, before preparing a nomination. The Japan Foundation has designated an official nominator to act on behalf of UBC.

**Description:** The Japan Prize is awarded to individuals for original and outstanding achievements in science and technology and for those who are recognized as having advanced the frontiers of knowledge and served the cause of peace and prosperity for mankind. The Prize is in principle given for work done in any field of science and technology, but each year two particular fields are designated based on trends within these areas and other considerations.

**Research area(s):** Multiple

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**RSC AWARDS & MEDALS - The Royal Society of Canada**

**Deadline:** March 1, 2015

**Description:** RSC recognizes excellence as well as outstanding achievements and contributions to knowledge, research and innovation in Canada by awarding medals and prizes. These awards are not limited to Fellows and are open to any candidate for achievements in either or both official languages in a wide spectrum of disciplines: in Science and Technology, in the Social Sciences, and in the Humanities.

**Twenty-one Society awards are offered on an annual or biennial basis** and consist of either medals or scrolls, some of them with cash prizes.

**Research Area(s):** Science & Technology, Social Sciences, Humanities

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**THE ORDER OF BRITISH COLUMBIA – The Order of BC Advisory Council**

**Deadline:** March 6, 2015

**Description:** The Order of British Columbia is intended to honour any British Columbian (or former long-term resident) who has demonstrated a high level of individual excellence and achievement in any field, demonstrating the “greatest distinction and excellence in any field of endeavour benefiting the people of the Province or elsewhere.

**Research Area(s):** All fields

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**RSC COLLEGE OF NEW SCHOLARS, ARTISTS & SCIENTISTS – The Royal Society of Canada**

**Deadline:** March 9, 2015

**Description:** The criterion for nomination to the College of New Scholars, Artists & Scientists shall be excellence, which is understood to encompass the goals of diversity and inclusivity to which the RSC is committed, and to which the membership of the College is expected to exemplify in terms of discipline, gender, ethno-racial diversity, Aboriginality, and official languages.

Candidates must be no more than 15 years from the conferral of the PhD or equivalent qualification. Where there are questions of equivalence eligibility, the Honorary Secretary shall provide the conclusive determination on behalf of the RSC Council.

**Nominations to the College will be initiated by:**

1. Institutional Members (IMs)
2. Fellows of the RSC (Fellows) OR by Members of the College (Members)

1. **Nomination by Institutional Member (IM):** Each IM is entitled to submit a maximum of 3 nominations per year. The VPRI Office is seeking three strong female candidates for the **institutional category**. Female candidate names should be submitted to brenda.carrier@ubc.ca by January 30, 2015. The VP Research & International will quickly
review recommendations. The VPRI Office will submit final nominations (institutional category only) to the RSC.

2. **Nomination by Fellow or Member**: **Note**: There is no limit to the number of nominations initiated by Members or Fellows. There will be no UBC internal selection process. Nominations by RSC Fellow or Member are submitted independently of the VPRI Office.

Research area(s): Multiple

**FELLOWSHIPS - THE CANADIAN ACADEMY OF HEALTH SCIENCES – The Council of Canadian Academies**

**Deadline**: March 13, 2015  
**Description**: The academy recognizes the full breadth of academic health science ranging from fundamental science to social science and population health. Fellows elected to the Academy will be well recognized by their peers nationally and internationally for their contributions to the promotion of health science. They will have demonstrated leadership, creativity, distinctive competencies and a commitment to advance academic health science.  
**Research Area(s)**: Health Sciences

**FELLOWSHIPS – American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)**

**Deadline**: April 22, 2015  
**Description**: The American Association for the Advancement of Science is an international non-profit organization dedicated to advancing science for the benefit of all people. Election as a Fellow of AAAS is an honor bestowed upon members by their peers. Fellows are recognized for meritorious efforts to advance science or its applications. Only previously elected AAAS Fellows who are current in their membership may serve as sponsors.  
**Research Area(s)**: Science & Technology, Natural Sciences & Engineering

Kind regards,  
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