



Early Career Award:

Purpose of the Award: The purpose of this award is to recognize the contributions of an early career professional with an outstanding research trajectory related to their RIIG's focus.

Criteria for the Award:

- Has earned a doctoral degree in nursing or related field.
- Publication, presentation, and funding record appropriate for career stage.
- Has a program of research/scholarship with high potential for translation into practice and/or the ability to enhance nursing science in areas related to their RIIG's focus.
- The nominee demonstrates significant potential for leadership.

Eligibility Requirements:

- The applicant's program of research/scholarship focuses on issues related to their RIIG's focus.
- The applicant is between the 1 to 7 year mark in their career.
- Exception to the 1 to 7 year requirement may be made at the RIIG's discretion. If the applicant does not meet the year requirement but feels productivity warrants eligibility, the applicant must justify this decision in their application. The rationale for selecting a different category must be based solely on productivity.

Other Eligibility Considerations:

- Members may only apply or be nominated for one RIIG award regardless of the number of RIIG memberships.
- Student members are no longer subject to the 1-year RIIG membership requirement but must be a member of the RIIG at the time of nomination.
- Regular and Alumni members must be a part of the RIIG for at least one year.
- Nominees must be active and engaged members, as defined by the RIIG.

Submission Requirements:

- Current curriculum vitae (CV)
- Description of achievement in relation to the above award criteria (limit 2 pages)
- A summary of the program of research/scholarship (limit 2 pages)
- One letter of nomination (maximum of 2 pages on letterhead) describing how the applicant's work has made a significant contribution to the science and/or practice of their RIIG's area of focus.
 - Nominee name, credentials, and contact information.
 - Description of achievement in relation to the above award criteria
 - Nominator's name, credentials, and contact information.

Notification and Presentation:

The RIIG Chair(s) will notify the award recipient via email. The awardee is strongly encouraged to be present at their RIIG's Annual Business Meeting to receive the award and will be invited to give a brief presentation of their research/scholarship.