Prestigious External Award Recognition (PEAR) recipients are faculty members who have been recognized by a national or international professional organization for their academic achievements. They signify not only the “best of the best” at IUPUI but the “best of the best” to a broader national audience as well.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any full- or part-time faculty member who has been recognized by a national or international professional organization for his or her academic achievement(s) is eligible. Recipients of grants or scholarships, as well as individuals elected or appointed to an organizational office, are not eligible.

**CRITERIA:** Faculty who have received distinctions between January 1, 2015, and December 31, 2015, should be considered for nomination. Faculty who are designated as Indiana University Distinguished Professors within the award cycle will automatically receive a PEAR Award. Factors to consider when nominating are:

- The organization giving the award should be related to the candidate’s discipline, research, or teaching focus
- Preference will be given to candidates who have been recognized for a body of work (career) rather than a one-time accomplishment
- Candidates should be nominated for recognitions received based on accomplishment rather than on their promise of accomplishment
- Recognition should not be one based on a self-nomination
- How often the award is given
- The number of people who receive the recognition in a single year
- If the award is acknowledged within the discipline as a top achievement in the field
- If the recognition is given for contributions to the field or strictly to the organization

**PROCESS:** Any member of the campus community may serve as a nominator, though nominations from the dean or chair of the candidate are preferred. Complete the electronic nomination form available online at http://academicaffairs.iupui.edu/pear/.

No documentation is required for this award; however, during the online nomination process you will be asked to provide the following:

- **Nominee Information**
  First and last name, university ID#, school, department, campus address, e-mail, and phone number
- **Award Details**
  Name and type of organization, award name and description, number of recipients, how often it’s given, selection process, and why it’s considered prestigious
- **Nominator Information**
  First and last name, university ID#, rank/title, school, department, campus address, e-mail, and phone number

Nominations for this award may be submitted at any time throughout the year. However, only nominations received by 5:00 p.m., January 29, 2016, will be considered for recognition at the Chancellor’s Academic Honors Convocation being held Thursday, April 21, 2016, at 4:00 p.m. in the Hine Hall Auditorium. Nominations received after the deadline will be held and considered for recognition the following year.
Please verify that your candidate meets all eligibility requirements and you have access to all relevant information prior to submitting the nomination.

QUESTIONS: Contact Lori Klosterman, Special Events Coordinator, (lokloste@iupui.edu or 317-278-6090).