4. EVALUATION (effective 9/15/2010)

In evaluating and ranking applications, the following are the primary factors that will be considered:

a. how well the proposal meets the purposes of the program for which application is made;

b. the value of the project to the applicant’s growth and professional status; the value of the project to the scholarly community;

d. the value of the project to the applicant’s teaching responsibilities and students;

e. the value of the project to the University;

f. the value of the project to the non-academic community;

g. the probability that the project will be carried out (to be measured in terms of the applicant’s background, previous success, and attainability of the goals stated);

h. the ability of the applicant to convey the content and importance of the project to those outside his/her own academic discipline;

j. investigation of alternative funding sources, and/or the possibility of the project leading to future grants;

m. the urgency of the project to be undertaken; and

n. overall quality of the proposal.

Other things being equal, preference should be given, first, to a candidate who has not previously received a Program award; second, to a candidate without tenure; and, third, to a candidate who received a Program award the longest time ago.