John D. Thompson Prize Selection Committee Job Description

**Purpose of Award**

The John D. Thompson Prize was established to honor John D. Thompson, a professor of health administration education, who set teaching, commitment to learning, collegial relationships, and health services research standards which are without peer.

The Prize recognizes junior and mid-career faculty based on their overall contributions to the field of health administration education, broadly defined. This includes scholarly and practice-oriented research, teaching accomplishments, and other relevant experiences and achievements in areas such as curriculum and program building; student mentoring; and leadership in the health administration education field. Mid-career faculty, e.g., those who are at the Associate Professor level and/or have been in an academic position for an appropriate length of time, allowing for the building of a strong, multi-faceted record, are the desired focus for this award. Junior faculty (e.g., at the Assistant Professor level) may be considered in extraordinary instances. The Prize is awarded to a faculty member from an AUPHA Full Member Program.

**Purpose of the Committee**

The committee evaluates the nominations based on established criteria and selects an awardee. The Committee is also charged with reviewing and as needed, modifying the criteria.

**Role of Chair**

- Convenes meetings to review the nomination letter, CV, and publications of each nominee submitted.
- Breaks any tie that may occur in the selection process.
- Determines if the nomination or selection process needs to be changed or modified.
- Introduces the Prize winner at the Annual Meeting and presents the award.
Role of Member

- Attends the meetings called by the chair.
- Reviews the nominations submitted and sent to them by the chair/ AUPHA staff in accordance with the established selection process.
- Ranks the nominations based on the established criteria.
- Works toward consensus on the selection of a winner.
- Attends the award presentation held during the Annual Meeting.

Term of Office

The term of office is for three years running from July-June.

Timing and Frequency of Meetings

Much of the committee work takes place in Mid-October through November, after the nominations have been received. Usually, no more than two meetings are necessary.

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