#### Arrell Food Innovation Awards 2021

#### Sponsor

Arrell Food Institute at the University of Guelph

#### Program

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# Description

The Arrell Food Prizes recognize global excellence in the broad area of food innovation and community impact. In 2021, two awards will be given:

One award will recognize a researcher, or group of researchers, who has advanced understanding of food production, processing, distribution, consumption, safety and/or human nutrition, with a significant positive impact on society. Likely themes include: food science, the environmental impact of agriculture, crop or livestock genetics, agro-ecology, soil health, food animal health and production, pest management, supply chain management, food processing, food packaging, food safety, food consumption, human nutrition, food retail/marketing.

The other award will recognize an individual, or group of individuals, who has contributed to improved nutritional health and/or food security, with a focus on strengthening disadvantaged communities. Likely themes include: food sovereignty, food production, food distribution/access, food insecurity, community development and governance, household nutrition, urban poverty, traditional food systems, socioeconomic policy, empowerment of under-served communities, food and nutrition literacy.

# Eligibility

- The individual or group being nominated will have made exceptionally significant and documented contributions to either our scientific understanding related to food production, distribution and sales, or human nutrition/consumption; and/or at the community level in markedly improving nutrition, including access to, or distribution of food.
- The nomination package must clearly demonstrate how the individual or group being nominated played a critical leadership role in achieving the above noted contributions.
- Nominees must be able to attend the award ceremony and ancillary events.
- Citizens of any country are eligible for nomination, with no restrictions on gender, race,

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religion, creed or residency.

 Nominations may come from private companies, academic institutions, governmental units, charitable foundations, and not-for-profit organisations. In the case of multiple nominations from a single organization, only the one with the latest date will be accepted.

#### Prize

Each of the two prizes will be worth \$125,000 CAD comprising a \$100,000 cash award for the personal use of recipients and up to \$25,000 per award for travel and accommodation of the recipients, administered by the Arrell Food Institute at the University of Guelph.

- An award citation and a commemorative item will also be presented.
- Recipients are expected to participate in a program of events. In particular, award recipients may be asked to attend the next Arrell Food Summit. There may also be other engagements organized, subject to mutual availability.
- Given the current global pandemic a determination on the travel and accommodation component of the award will be made some time during the 2021 calendar year.

# **Special Notes**

Please note that research activities carried out in the context of COVID-19 need to adhere to the University of Guelph COVID-19 research principles, policies, guidelines and processes as they may be updated from time to time and communicated on the <u>Office of Research web-page</u>.

# Deadlines

If College-level review is required, your College will communicate its earlier internal deadlines.

Type Internal Deadline	Date Friday, January 22, 2021 -	Notes
	9:00am	If you wish to be considered for VPR nomination, please submit your Expression of Interest (see How to Apply) to research.honours@uoguelph.c a
External Deadline	Sunday, February 28, 2021 - 9:00am	If your nomination will be submitted by a nominator other than the VPR, please submit directly to the sponsor by the external deadline. Please also submit a copy of

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Notes the full nomination and OR-5 to <u>research.services@uoguelph.c</u> <u>a</u>

# How to Apply

The Vice-President (Research) encourages nominations for this prestigious award, and will serve as nominator for those nominees recommended by the Research Honours and Awards Advisory Committee. If you wish to nominate a colleague or to be considered for VPR nomination, please submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) to <u>research.honours@uoguelph.ca</u> by the internal deadline.

An Expression of Interest will include:

- A draft letter (two-three pages) addressed to the VPR, signed by your ADR, which outlines how you/your nominee meets the criteria outlined on the Arrell Food Innovation Awards program guidelines document.
- An up-to-date CV for nominee (and each member of the team, if applicable)

# **For More Information**

For more information, contact <u>research.honours@uoguelph.ca</u> or <u>afiawards@uoguelph.ca</u> Alert Classifications**Category:** Honours and Awards

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