Program Overview
The Public Service Faculty Scholar Program recognizes one Tulane faculty member each semester for exemplary public service and community involvement expertise. Following acceptance, the chosen applicant will receive a $5,000 honorarium for his or her participation in the program. The program seeks to both recognize the faculty member’s achievements and to help disseminate this knowledge to the broader Tulane community.

Program Components
The Public Service Faculty Scholar will have the following responsibilities:

• Propose, develop and complete a public service project (i.e., develop a new service learning course, conduct a community-based research project, facilitate a student and/or community workshop, write a grant proposal, etc.).

• Propose, develop and lead one workshop for faculty during the fall semester. The workshop will be developed in cooperation with Center for Public Service staff, and will concern public service/community involvement with regard to the Public Service Faculty Scholar’s area of expertise.

• Co-facilitate one section of the Center for Public Service’s 10-week long Faculty Seminar. This seminar aims to introduce faculty new to service learning to the pedagogical theory as well as to help them develop a service learning syllabus. For more information about the Faculty Seminar, please see http://tulane.edu/cps/faculty/faculty-seminar.cfm.

Program Requirements
Interested faculty members must submit a letter of application (detailed below) no later than March 31, 2011 to the Center for Public Service for the 2011/2012 academic year.

A complete letter of application will include the following components:

• Letter of intent: The letter of intent should include an explanation of your decision to pursue the Public Service Faculty Scholar designation and the term (Fall 201, Spring 2012, or for the entire academic year) for which you are willing to serve as the Public Service Faculty Scholar.

• Public Service Project Proposal: The public service project proposal should give a detailed description of the faculty member’s intended project and a timeline for completion.

• Workshop proposal: The workshop proposal should give a detailed description of the faculty workshop’s topic, content and relevance. In addition to description of content, questions to consider are: To what audience would the workshop appeal (first time service learning instructors, community based researchers, faculty from a specific discipline, etc.)? What support would CPS be able to provide during the development of the workshop?
Letter of support: The letter of support should be written by the chair/head of the department/program of the submitting faculty member, and should acknowledge approval and support for the applicant’s semester-long involvement as a Public Service Faculty Scholar.

Curriculum Vitae: Please submit your CV with your application.

Selection
The Center for Public Service’s Executive Committee will select the Public Service Faculty Scholar. Selection of the Public Service Faculty Scholar will be based on:
- Strength and innovation of the proposed public service project
- Strength of faculty workshop proposal
- Degree of community involvement (including history of service learning course offering(s))
- Depth of knowledge and expertise in public service pedagogy

Notification and receipt of honorarium
Applicants will be notified in late April 2011. The Public Service Faculty Scholar will receive the $5000 (or $10,000 for the year) in separate installments. The Public Service Faculty Scholar will have the option of receiving the honorarium in their regular direct deposit account, or it may be deposited into a research account if the faculty member has one.

Deadline
The deadline for receipt of completed application packets is March 31, 2011.

For more information, please contact Dr. Agnieszka Nance at the Center for Public Service at (504)862-3348. Complete proposals should be sent to:

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Applicants may also submit proposals electronically to anance@tulane.edu.