

## **The Faculty Lectureship Award**

Calvin College

### **Purpose of the Award**

This award is tied to an annual series of lectures, to be delivered by the award recipients. The award recognizes the scholarly achievements and professional contributions of individual Calvin faculty members. The lecture series aims to share the awardees' work with the faculty as a whole. Each lecture, while open to the public, should promote mutual interest, discussion, and understanding within the faculty of Calvin College. The college will host the lecture and create a web archive of its content, so as to share Calvin's intellectual resources with alumni, the church, and the public.

Every lecture should be accessible to a general audience. The topic should be relevant to the general self-understanding of Calvin College, the Christian church, or the broader society of which these institutions are part. After the lecture there should be a time of socializing, refreshment, and informal conversation for the attendees. The date, time and location of the lectures should be chosen so as to attract a broad audience.

### **Eligibility**

Any member of the teaching faculty is eligible for the award.

### **Selection Criteria**

The provost and deans will make nominations after considering the abilities of faculty members to speak effectively on topics of general interest. By accepting the award, a faculty member agrees to develop and deliver one public lecture during the academic year.

### **Selection Process**

Each year, just before the start of the fall semester, one faculty member from each academic division of the college will be selected to receive the award. The dean for research and scholarship will make the selections after consulting with the provost and the other deans.

The selection process should give preference to younger or newer faculty, particularly those who are still approaching reappointment with tenure and have made significant contributions to their fields of specialization.

The award should give recognition to various areas and forms of Christian scholarship.

As of 2009, the college recognizes three academic divisions, so there will be three Faculty Lectureship Awards per year.

Each Faculty Lectureship awardee will receive an honorarium (\$300 in 2009-2010).