

EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA

Academic Affairs Department
01st July 2026.

To: Staff members and Students of Eastern University, Sri Lanka

Dear Sir/Madam,

CALLING APPLICATIONS FOR AWARDS FOR THE PROMOTION OF RESEARCH - 2024

Applications are invited from the staff members and students of Eastern University Sri Lanka, holding EUSL author affiliation in a research article published in a journal indexed by Web of Science for the following Research Awards to be awarded at the Annual General Convocation - 2026.

A) SABARATNAM AWARD FOR INTERVENTIONAL RESEARCH - 2024

Research work should be of **Interventional** approach done in either in a laboratory set up or in the field to be eligible for the award as detailed below:

Aspect	Interventional Research
Definition	The researcher actively introduces an intervention or treatment and examines its effects, thereby intentionally altering the natural state of the study system.
Researcher's Role	Active involvement in assigning treatments or conditions.
Objective	To determine cause-and-effect relationships.
Manipulation of Variables	Variables are deliberately manipulated.

Three awards are given for best Interventional research articles published in a journal indexed by Web of Science (<http://www.isinet.com/journals> or [Web of Science Master Journal List - WoS MJL by Clarivate](#)): **One each** with highest Clarivate Journal Citation Report Impact Factor of the publication year, under following three categories:

1. Science Citation Indexed Expanded (SCIE)
2. Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI)
3. Arts and Humanities Citation Index (AHCI).

B) COOMARASAMY AWARD FOR OBSERVATIONAL RESEARCH - 2024

Research work should be of **Observational** approach done in either in a laboratory set up or in the field to be eligible for the award as detailed below.

Aspect	Observational Research
Definition	The researcher only observes existing conditions or behaviours without introducing any intervention, thereby allowing the study system to remain undisturbed.
Researcher's Role	Passive observation without manipulating variables.
Objective	To identify associations, patterns, or trends.
Manipulation of Variables	Variables are not manipulated.

Three awards are given for best Observation research article published in a journal indexed by Web of Science (<http://www.isinet.com/journals> or [Web of Science Master Journal List - WoS MJL by Clarivate](#)): **One each** with highest Clarivate Journal Citation Report Impact Factor of the publication year, under following three categories:

1. Science Citation Indexed Expanded (SCIE)
2. Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI)
3. Arts and Humanities Citation Index (AHCI).

C) APPLICATION AND SELECTION

Eligibility Requirements for the Award:

- Only the staff and students of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka (EUSL) who have EUSL author affiliation in the published article will be eligible for the Award.
- All authors (Principal author/coauthors) with EUSL affiliation in the published research article must place their signature in the application.
- The publication volume should be **in the year 2024** in a peer-reviewed journal indexed by Web of Science under SCIE, SSCI or AHCI.

Method of application:

- Interested applicants for the above Research Awards may visit the Eastern University, Sri Lanka website to download the application form and relevant details once the call for applications is advertised.
- Duly completed applications should reach Deputy Registrar, Academic Affairs Department, Eastern University, Sri Lanka, Vantharumoolai, Chenkalady, on or before the closing date.
- Applicants are requested to indicate the name of the award on the top left-hand corner of the envelope.
- All supporting documents/evidence should be attached to the application.
- Applications received by the Deputy Registrar, Academic Affairs Department, after the closing date will not be entertained under any circumstances.


Method of Selection:

- An Academic Staff or Student can submit **separate applications** if possess more than one eligible research articles for the year of Award.
- In case of multiple investigators (authors) all authors with EUSL affiliation should sign the application.
- Research Council of the Eastern University will make the final selection for granting the Research Awards, after an evaluation process by eminent researcher/Senior Academic Staff of the University.
- Final decision of granting the Award will be made after the approval of the Senate & Council of the Eastern University, Sri Lanka.

Eligible staff members and students of Eastern University, Sri Lanka are requested to submit their applications, prepared in accordance with the above guidelines, to the Deputy Registrar, Academic Affairs Department, through the proper channel on or before **23th July 2026**.

Applications received by the Deputy Registrar, Academic Affairs Department after the closing date will not be considered under any circumstances.

Yours sincerely,


Nishanthi Nirumithan
Deputy Registrar/Academic Affairs

CC: Chairman/ Research Council
Deputy Vice-Chancellor
Rector/Trincomalee Campus
Director/ SVIAS
Dean/Faculty of Graduate Studies
Deans of Faculties

Deputy Registrar
Academic Affairs Department
Eastern University, Sri Lanka.

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Declaration:

I / we declare that the Research conducted by me/us was published in the Journal and attached herewith all documents related to the publication for evidence. I / we, the author(s) with EUSL affiliation consent to submit the above stated research article for the award.

Name of Principal Applicant:

Signature & Date:

Names of co-authors and signatures:

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Note: Principal Applicant has to be a staff or student of EUSL, unless the corresponding author of the research article is outside EUSL.

Recommendations:

I confirm that the principal applicant of the research article is affiliated to my department and showed evidence that the research work (full or part) was conducted by him/her in/not in my department.

If the research not conducted in your department, pls specify details:
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Signature of Head of Department **Date**

I recommend the research publication for the Award

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Signature of Dean of the Faculty **Date**

For Office Use:

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Deputy Registrar/Academic Affairs **Date**

Recommended/ Not recommended on.....

Date of the Convocation :.....

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Chairman/Research Council, EUSL **Date**