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Research program has honored ten

In 1978 NU President Ronald Roskens established a program called Awards for Outstanding Research and Creative Activity. In the past three years 10 members of the NU faculty have received the \$1,000 awards.

The awards recognize excellence in work of national significance done at the university.

Dr. Joseph Macek of the physics and astronomy department received one of the awards in 1979 for his work in atomic theory. Macek said he had been a part of the research for 10 years and was instrumental in discovering two new processes.

He said he found the emission of light from atoms was modulated rather than continuous and electron capture in atomic collision is more prevalent than originally thought.

The research still is continuing, Macek said,

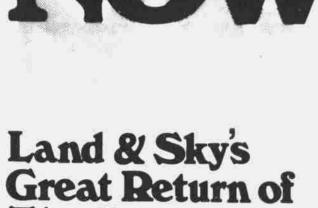
Faculty members receive awards by being nominated and then considered by the selection committee, a group of five professors from all NU campuses.

Macek said he was nominated and seconded by people in his department.

UNL professor Dr. Paul Schach received an award in 1979 for his work in old Norse literature and the ethnic languages in Pennsylvania and on the Great Plains, especially the German dialects. He said he has written several books and articles on the subjects and presently edits the journal Scandinavian Studies.

Macek said cash awards are private contributions, but he thinks most recipients apply them to their research.





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