Thirty-eight NTU professors claimed awards at the presentation ceremony for the National Science Council’s 2012 Academic Research Awards on May 7. The NSC bestowed Distinguished Research Fellow Awards, Outstanding Research Awards and Wu Ta-you Memorial Awards on 130 of the nation’s outstanding researchers during the ceremony. That NTU professors earned approximately 30% of these prestigious awards demonstrates the university’s leadership in research in Taiwan.

Six NTU professors were among the 16 recipients of the Distinguished Research Fellow Award this year. Winners must have earned Outstanding Research Awards at least three times. The NTU recipients were: Distinguished Prof. Kuang-chong Wu (Institute of Applied Mechanics), Prof. Wen-hann Sheu (Department of Engineering Science and Ocean Engineering), Distinguished Prof. Sy-yen Kuo (Department of Electrical Engineering), Prof. Chung-chin Kuo (Graduate Institute of Physiology), Distinguished Prof. Chern-lin Chen (Department of Electrical Engineering) and Distinguished Prof. Ren C. Luo (Department of Electrical Engineering).

Twenty-two NTU professors were among the 74 winners of the Outstanding Research Award. Recipients are awarded NT$300,000 per year for three years. NTU’s winners were: Distinguished Prof. Shih-torng Ding (Department of Animal Science and Technology), Prof. Ming-shiang Wu (Department of Primary Care Medicine), Prof. Yih-min Wu (Department of Geosciences), Prof. Yng-ing Lee (Department of Mathematics), Prof. Shiming Lin (Center for Optoelectronic Biomedicine), Distinguished Prof. Wei-fang Su (Department of Materials Science and Engineering), Associate Prof. Jin-yuan Shih (Department of Internal Medicine), Prof. Yen-hsuan Ni (Department of Pediatrics), Prof. Jianye Ching (Department of Civil Engineering), Distinguished Prof. Hsiao-hung Chang (Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures), Distinguished Prof. Tei-wei Kuo (Department of Computer Science and Information Engineering), Prof. Yue-gau Chen (Department of Geosciences), Distinguished Prof. Homer H. Chen (Graduate Institute of Communication Engineering), Prof. Tony Hsiu-hsi Chen (Graduate Institute of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine), Prof. Chun-wei Chen (Department of Materials Science and Engineering), Prof. Mu-hsuan Huang (Department of Library and Information Science), Prof. Tai-horng Young (Graduate Institute of Biomedical Engineering), Prof. Jye-shane Yang (Department of Chemistry), Prof. Joseph Yao-joe Yang (Department of Mechanical Engineering), Distinguished Prof. Jing-tang Yang (Department of Mechanical Engineering), Prof. Chein-shan Liu (Department of Civil Engineering) and Dr. Chia-ti Tsai (Department of Internal Medicine).

Forty researchers, including ten NTU professors, earned Wu Ta-you Memorial Awards. The NSC presents this award to encourage exceptional young researchers to throw themselves into long-term academic research. Recipients receive NT$500,000 each year for three years. The NTU recipients were Associate Prof. Joseph Tao-yi Wang (Department of Economics), Assistant Prof. Jeng-Daw Yu (Department of Mathematics), Associate Prof. Joseph Tao-yi Wang (Department of Economics), Assistant Prof. Yen-jung Lee (Department of Accounting), Associate Prof. Winston H. Hsu (Graduate Institute of Networking and Multimedia), Associate Prof. Ying-je Kao (Department of Physics), Associate Prof. Carol Hsu (Department of Information Management), Dr. Kuen-feng Chen (Department of Medical Research), Associate Prof. Lin-chi Chen (Department of Bio-Industrial Mechatronics Engineering), Associate Prof. Huei-wen Chen (Graduate Institute of Toxicology) and Dr. Chen-hua Liu (Department of Internal Medicine).