

## O. Max Gardner Award

This is the highest faculty honor awarded by the UNC Board of Governors and has been given annually since 1949. Each of the UNC universities may nominate one faculty member. The Gardner Award was established by Gardner's will to recognize faculty who have "*made the greatest contributions to the welfare of the human race.*" Those chosen in the past have been persons who have made notable contributions of national or international scale. It is the only award for which all faculty members of the all UNC campuses are eligible.

Recipients are nominated by their chancellors and selected by the Board of Governors. The recipient is given a cash award. The nominee from each school is due to the Board of Governors Committee on the Oliver Max Gardner Award in December each year and the award is presented in April as part of the Board of Governors meeting.

### Who was O. Max Gardner?



Oliver Max Gardner (22 March 1882 -- 6 February 1947) was the Democratic governor of the U.S. state of North Carolina from 1929 to 1933. Prior to becoming Governor, Gardner was elected as a state senator from Cleveland County, North Carolina and as Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina (1917-1921).

We invite you to learn more about this great man of North Carolina by exploring [this web site](#).

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