



UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY INTERNATIONALIZATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS (UCIAA)

The University of Calgary Internationalization Achievement Awards (UCIAA) identify and honour outstanding contributions in leading the sustainable internationalization of the University of Calgary in any department, faculty or the institution as a whole. Awards in the categories of student, faculty, staff, community member, and academic program recognize the important achievements of the people whose efforts have made the University of Calgary a global intellectual hub.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

I. Confidentiality

All submissions received will be kept confidential by the UCIAA selection committee¹.

II. Eligibility and Selection Criteria

Nominees must have demonstrated outstanding achievement in the sustainable internationalization of a department, faculty, or the University of Calgary as a whole in one of the following roles: student, faculty, staff, community member, or academic program. Please note that student nominees have to be currently registered full time or part time students (excluding Continuing Education).

The following criteria will be used to determine the eligibility of those nominated for the UCIAA and to select the recipients of the awards:

1. How the program/nominee's achievements align with the University's International Strategy (2013) or Global Engagement Plan (2020)

International Strategy Goals:

Strategy Goal #1: Increase diversity of our campus communities

Strategy Goal #2: Improve global and cross-cultural competencies within our campus communities

Strategy Goal #3: Enhance opportunities for international collaborations and partnerships in research and education

Strategy Goal #4: Leverage our unique areas of expertise to engage in international development

Global Engagement Plan Goals:

Goal # 1: Increasing the Diversity of the Campus Community

Goal # 2: Improving Intercultural Capacity

Goal # 3: Enhancing Global Partnerships

¹ The Selection committee is chaired by the Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President Research (International) and also includes two Senior Leadership Team members, two members from the Associate Deans/Directors International Council, one UCI staff member, one student representative from SU and one student representative from GSA.



2. How has the program/nominee demonstrated?

COLLABORATION - Strategically enhanced collaboration to support the international Strategy.

INNOVATION - Demonstrated innovation/creativity in international initiatives.

LEADERSHIP - Shown leadership in internationalization.

IMPACT - Made a significant impact for the University of Calgary internationally.

3. Awards can only be won by a nominee once in the same category (i.e., not year over year)

4. The candidates selected to receive a UCIAA will be invited to attend the presentation ceremony to receive the award.

III. Timing

The completed nomination package must be received by December 15, 2020.

The presentation of the awards will take place at the University of Calgary in April 2021.

IV. Information to be Submitted

A valid nomination package will consist of the following:

1. Nomination Form and a maximum 1000-word response to selection criteria highlighting alignment with the University's International Strategy and COLLABORATION, INNOVATION, LEADERSHIP, and IMPACT; nomination letter with five supporting signatures (self-nominations are not considered)
2. Nominee Release Form (see below) signed by the nominee to:
 - Agree to attend the presentation ceremony if selected to receive a UCIAA
 - Provide any further documentation or information of the subject area for which you have been nominated
 - Authorize information in this nomination package, and other personal information gathered for this purpose, to be used for publicity and promotion purposes
3. OPTIONAL: A maximum of five pages of supporting documentation may be included

NOTE: The nominator must complete the nomination form and collect the completed nominee release form and submit them as a nomination package.



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CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS

Please note that award categories will consider contributions to the internationalization of the University of Calgary and the impact they have made to the world through the internationalization activities of the University of Calgary.

International Program Award (IPA) ***One award/year***

The University of Calgary's commitment to international education is evident in several outstanding programs that contribute to the internalization of the university and our students, faculty, staff and research. The IPA for an academic program acknowledges the impact such a program makes on the internationalization of our institution, Faculty, Department, students, scholars, and/or research. IPA award can be won by the same Faculty for different international programs year over year.

Community Member Award (CMA) ***One award/year***

The University of Calgary is very proud of its close association with the Calgary community. The community has invested an enormous amount of energy, time and financial support over many years, which has enabled the University of Calgary to become a global intellectual hub. The CMA for a member of the Calgary community is bestowed upon an individual who has made exemplary contributions to the internationalization of the University. Many individuals from the Calgary community have graciously given guidance and advice on internationalization, and we have benefited greatly from their expertise and experience. Contributions by community members as advisors of the regional councils are eligible for nomination.

Academic Staff Member Award (ASMA) ***(Individual)*** ***Two Awards (New and Experienced)***

Considerable international scholarly activity has been part of the University of Calgary since its early beginnings. Many of the University's academic staff members bring international contacts, interests and expertise to the University, and engage in international activities. Collaborative research with colleagues in other countries, faculty exchanges, and internationally focused scholarship, teaching and learning, contribute significantly to developing international partnerships and internationalizing the institution and academic experience. The ASMA acknowledges contributions that significantly enhance international activities and scholarship at the University in a particular Faculty, department, or the institution as a whole. Award for "New" recognizes the individuals with 1- 6 years of experience at the University of Calgary. Award for "Experienced" recognizes the individuals beyond 6 years of experience at the University of Calgary



Staff Award (SA)
Two awards/year

The University of Calgary's staff provide dedicated support to students, faculty, researchers, departments, and programs that internationalize the University. The award acknowledges an individual whose efforts have enabled the sustainable internationalization of the University of Calgary. The SA category accepts nominations for staff members who have significantly contributed to internationalization including International student experience (e.g., staff members from University of Calgary International, International Student Services, staff members in faculties/units focusing on internationalization, staff members supporting international students). The nomination must provide evidence of significant efforts and achievements beyond typical duties/work-related activities.

Student Awards

Total of 4 awards/year – \$1000.00 per scholarships (domestic undergraduate student, domestic graduate student, international undergraduate student, international graduate student)

A growing number of University of Calgary students are internationalizing their degree program and are conducting research on international issues. The international contacts our students make often lead to research projects and create stronger and sustainable relationships with people and institutions worldwide. Students also engage in voluntary service with individuals and communities around the globe. These are often transformative learning experiences and raise the profile of the University of Calgary. The awards in the student category recognizes the outstanding contributions made to the internationalization of a particular faculty/department/unit, or the institution as a whole. Please note that nominees must be currently registered as full-time or part-time undergraduate or graduate students.

Career Achievement Award (CAA)

Maximum of 2 awards/year – at the discretion of the Selection committee

The CAA award acknowledges the ongoing sustained presence for international achievements by a faculty or staff member who has gone above and beyond in contributing to the internationalization of the University of Calgary.

Note: this recognition is awarded occasionally, based on applicable submissions and not necessarily awarded every year.