

## 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 make the University of Calgary a global intellectual hub.

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### I. Confidentiality

All submissions received will be kept confidential by the UCIAA selection committee<sup>1</sup>.

#### 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). Awards may be given only once to an individual or program in each of the award categories.

The following criteria will be used to select the award recipients:

- Alignment of the program/nominee's achievements with the University's Global Engagement Plan (2020). Goal # 1: Increasing the Diversity of the Campus Community Goal # 2: Improving Intercultural Capacity Goal # 3: Enhancing Global Partnerships
- The program/nominee has contributed to global engagement in one or more of the following ways: COLLABORATION - Strategically enhanced collaboration to support the Global Engagement Plan. INNOVATION - Demonstrated innovation/creativity in international initiatives. LEADERSHIP - Shown leadership in internationalization. IMPACT - Made a significant impact for the University of Calgary internationally.

## III. Timing

The completed nomination package must be received by December 15, 2021. The candidates selected to receive an award will be invited to attend the presentation ceremony, which will take place at the University of Calgary in April 2022.

#### IV. Information to be Submitted

A valid nomination package will consist of the following:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Selection committee is chaired by the Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President Research (International) (*Non-voting*) 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.



- Nomination Form and a maximum 1000-word response to selection criteria highlighting alignment with the University's Global Engagement Plan and COLLABORATION, INNOVATION, LEADERSHIP, and IMPACT; nomination form to include five supporting signatures (selfnominations 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, response and collect the completed nominee release form and submit them as a nomination package. Since nominees' activities and strengths are diverse, strong nomination letters are an important element of the 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 global engagement 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 global engagement of the university and our students, faculty, staff and research. The International Program Award (IPA) for an academic program acknowledges the impact such a program makes on student experience, global citizenship, academic growth and/or research relationships, and international contributions of our institution.

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

The University of Calgary is proud of its close association with the Calgary community. The generous investment of community members' time, energy, expertise, experience, and financial support over many years has enabled the University of Calgary to become a global intellectual hub. The Community Member Award (CMA) is bestowed upon an individual in the Calgary community who has made exemplary contributions to the global engagement of the University. Community members who serve on university committees or advisory councils are eligible for nomination.

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

International scholarly activity has been part of the University of Calgary since its 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 partnerships and enhancing our institution's global engagement, The Academic Staff Member Award (ASMA) acknowledges contributions that significantly enhance international activities and scholarship in a particular faculty, department, or the institution as a whole. The award for "New" academic staff recognizes individuals with 1- 6 years of experience at the University of Calgary. The award for "Experienced" academic staff recognizes 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 engage the University globally. The Staff Award (SA) 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 global engagement, including International student experience (e.g., staff members from University of Calgary International, International Student Services, staff members in faculties/units focusing on internationalization, intercultural capacity, 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 up to 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 made by our students often lead to research projects and create stronger and more 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 recognize 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 Career Achievement Award (CAA) recognizes significant and sustained international career 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.