

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
AWARDS COMMITTEE

SELECTION CRITERIA

The University of Nevada, Reno Alumni Association will seek nominations from alumni and friends for its Alumni Awards of Excellence. Submission of nominations in any or all of the categories described below is encouraged.

Nominations are to be submitted to the Awards Nominating Committee annually. The deadline for all nominations is May 15 of each year. The Awards Nominating Committee will select the recipients for each award before August 15th of each year. Whether an award recipient will be selected in any given year will be the sole discretion of the selection committee. No political candidate will be considered in the year in which he/she is a candidate for political office. Once an individual has been nominated for an award, the nomination is valid for a total of two years.

Awards will be presented at the next Homecoming. The personal attendance of all award recipients is encouraged at the Awards Ceremony. The recipient of the Alumnus of the Year Award is required to accept the award, and, unless otherwise provided by the Awards Committee is required to be in attendance.

The Awards Committee will implement an appropriate procedure as to the nominations, awards and recipients acceptance of awards and personal attendance.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the office of Alumni Relations, University of Nevada, Reno Alumni Association, Morrill Hall, University of Nevada Reno, NV 89557, (775) 784-6620.

1. Professional Achievement Award:

- a. Professional Achievement Awards recipients must be alumni of the University of Nevada, Reno who have outstanding records of distinguished career accomplishments, complemented by a history of outstanding contribution to their profession.
- b. The Awards Nominating Committee may consider any nominated candidate, a former candidate not selected, or any other person who the committee deems qualified.
- c. A candidate is eligible for selection in more than one profession, but can only be a recipient once.
- d. Not more than five recipients will be selected in any one year.
- e. The Awards Nominating Committee can move candidates into categories other than the one they were nominated for if the committee feels it is appropriate.

f. Officers of the Alumni Association, elected members of the Alumni Council and Award Committee Members are not eligible for nomination while holding office.

2. University Service Award:

a. University Service Award recipients must be alumni or friends of the University of Nevada, Reno whose dedication, commitment and service to the University have significantly enriched the advancement of the University and contributed to its reputation as a leading institution of higher education.

b. Prior recipients of the Certificates of Appreciation, Outstanding Alumni Service or Honorary Alumni Awards are eligible for this award.

c. The Awards Nominating Committee may consider any nominated candidate, a former candidate not selected, or any other person who the committee deems qualified.

d. Not more than three recipients will be selected in any one year.

e. Officers of the Alumni Association, elected members of the Alumni Council and Award Committee members are not eligible for nomination while holding office.

3. Alumnus/na of the Year:

a. The Alumnus of the Year Achievement Award recipient must be an alumnus of the University of Nevada, Reno who has rendered special and outstanding service to the university or by personal achievement, has brought distinction to the University.

b. Prior recipients of the Certificate of Appreciation or Outstanding Alumni Service Award are eligible for this award.

c. No candidate will be considered unless nominated before the deadline date.

d. The Awards Nominating Committee may consider any nominated candidate, a former candidate not selected, or any other person who the committee deems qualified.

e. Not more than one recipient will be selected in any one year

f. Officers of the Alumni Association, elected members of the Alumni Council and Award Committee members are not eligible for nomination while holding office.

4. Alumni Association Service Award:

a. Alumni Association Service Award recipients must be an alumni or friend of the University of Nevada, Reno whose dedication, commitment and service to the Alumni Association have significantly enhanced alumni programming at the University of Nevada, Reno.

b. Prior recipients of the Certificates of Appreciation, Outstanding Alumni Service Award or Honorary Alumni Award are eligible for this award.

- c. The Awards Nominating Committee may consider any nominated candidate, a former candidate not selected, or any other person who the committee deems qualified.
- d. Not more than three recipients will be selected in any one year.
- e. Due to the nature of this award, officers of the Alumni Association, elected members of the Alumni Council and Award Committee members are indeed eligible for this award while holding office.

5. Outstanding Young Alumni Award

Outstanding Young Alumni recipients must be a graduate of the University of Nevada, Reno, who is not more than 15 years past graduation, have outstanding records of distinguished career accomplishments, and/or whose dedication, commitment and service to the Alumni Association have significantly enhanced alumni programming and initiatives at the University of Nevada, Reno.

- a. A candidate can only be a recipient once.
- b. The Awards Nominating Committee can move candidates into categories other than the one they were nominated for if the committee feels it is appropriate.
- c. Prior recipients of the Certificates of Appreciation, Alumni Association Service Award or Honorary Alumni Award are eligible for this award.
- d. The Awards Nominating Committee may consider any nominated candidate, a former candidate not selected, or any other person who the committee deems qualified.
- e. Not more than three recipients will be selected in any one year.
- f. Due to the nature of this award, officers of the Alumni Association, elected members of the Alumni Council and Award Committee members are indeed eligible for this award while holding office.

6. Outstanding Chapter of the Year Award

To be considered for the Award, it is highly recommended that the Chapter (in the previous year):

- a. Demonstrate a full calendar of events that include
 1. At least two chapter business meetings
 2. Periodic or regular social events and/or networking luncheons
 3. At least one major fundraiser
- b. Demonstrate solid membership growth
- c. Demonstrate a committed core group of officers
- d. Demonstrate proof of formal communication tools (i.e. chapter e-mail newsletters, website, etc.)
- e. Provide volunteer support for Nevada Alumni Association activities
- f. Submit Silver & Blue chapter updates