Reminder: UA Award for Excellence Nominations Due by Jan. 22

Date:
December 20, 2018

Each year, the UA recognizes Classified Staff and Appointed Professionals for continually going above and beyond their normal duties with the UA Awards for Excellence. Click here [1] to read the Lo Que Pasa story about last year's winners.

Nominations are due January 22: http://recognition.arizona.edu/ [2]. Now is the time to get to work on those required letters of recommendation to help your nominees make the best impression possible and really stand out among the "best of the best" in 2019!

So, take a look around you and recognize those people who are dedicated to the University of Arizona, are always ready to help, and who make the University a great place to work. Take a moment and nominate those people for an Award for Excellence so that the rest of the University can appreciate them, too. The Classified Staff Council, the Appointed Professionals Advisory Council, and the President's Cabinet sponsor these awards. We urge you to take advantage of this opportunity to nominate someone great today. Let's get the word out, too! encourage others to nominate employees and coworkers. Don’t delay, award nominations require letters of recommendation and it may require time to collect them!

Below, find a description of each award:

**The Award for Excellence** [3] will be presented to approximately 9 members of the Classified Staff and the Appointed Professionals, regardless of their length of service, classification or pay grade. These awards are designed to recognize outstanding achievements. Nominations are evaluated respectively within six pay levels to ensure an equal distribution of awards among employees at all levels. Nominated Individuals must be benefits-eligible.

**The Billy Joe Varney Award for Excellence** [4] will be presented to one Classified Staff or Appointed Professional employee, with at least 15 cumulative years of employment at the University, who merits special recognition for a career of dedicated service to the University, its employees, and the community. Nominees can be chosen from any employment category. Individuals nominated must be benefits-eligible.

**The Team Award for Excellence** [5] will be presented to a team primarily comprised of Classified Staff and Appointed Professionals and tasked with a specific project or function. Team members should have complementary skills, be committed to a common purpose and share specific performance goals. They should also have established means by which to hold themselves mutually accountable. A team shall be defined as two or more benefits-eligible employees, regardless of their length of service. The award will be presented in recognition of the team?s outstanding contribution to its unit, department, or University as a whole.

**The Department Award for Excellence** [6] will be presented to a single department in
recognition of its outstanding departmental excellence in the management of its people and
resources. Nominations should include specific examples of exemplary performance in the
criteria themes outlined. Judges will look how much departments meet and/or exceed the
selection criteria. The department selected by the judges to receive the University of Arizona
Department Award for Excellence will receive a commemorative plaque.

All of these honors, with the exception of the Department Award for Excellence, carry with
them a University-funded monetary award and, therefore, must be based on achievements in
activities beyond normal duties. On behalf of the organizations supporting this recognition, we
encourage you to nominate employees in your area who you feel are making outstanding
contributions to the University.

**Nominations must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2019.**
Recipients will be notified in March.

Awards will be presented by President Robbins at the UA Awards for Excellence ceremony on
Monday, April 8, 2019.

For questions about the awards or nomination forms, contact us at
**UAExcellenceAwards@email.arizona.edu** [7].

https://uaatwork.arizona.edu/sites/default/files/2019_nominations_flyer__0.pdf

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[7] mailto:UAExcellenceAwards@email.arizona.edu