



Nomination Form For: Outstanding Distinction Awards

I nominate:

_____ for the:

_____ Outstanding Distinction Award for AU Graduate Students

_____ Outstanding Distinction Award for AU Faculty

_____ Outstanding Distinction Award for AU Non-Academic Staff

I enclose the following support documents:

1. A letter of nomination from you describing why the Nominee should receive the Award.
 - **AU Graduate Student Award:** The candidate for this award must be an Athabasca University student, actively enrolled in a graduate-level program at the time of nomination.
 - **AU Faculty Award:** The candidate for this award must be an Athabasca University instructor who exhibits outstanding leadership.
 - **AU Non-Academic Staff:** The candidate for this award must be an Athabasca University non-academic staff member who exhibits diligence in responding to graduate student inquiries and requests (by email, telephone, on web forums, etc.).
2. In the case of the Graduate Student Award, a letter from the Nominee accepting the nomination (in the case of Faculty and Non-Academic Staff, the AUGSA will contact the nominee without identifying the name(s) of the nominators).

3. Contact Information:

Your Name _____

Title and Work/Volunteer Setting: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone _____

Nominee's Name: _____

Title and Work/Volunteer Setting: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____



Nomination Information

Outstanding Distinction Award for AU Graduate Students: The purpose of this award is to support and encourage students who are advancing their education. This award will be offered annually in November. Recipients of this award will receive a \$1,125.00 award as well as a certificate. There are four (4) Outstanding Distinction Awards for AU Graduate Students available.

Students who will be graduating in the year in which the award will be rewarded are eligible for nomination, so long as they were an actively enrolled graduate student at the time of nomination. Executives, Councillors, and Staff of the Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association are not eligible for nomination.

Nominee Requirements:

- Meet the minimum standards for remaining active in their program, as defined by the faculty/program area in which the student is enrolled;
- Display a balance in his or her life commitments (school, family, work, and community roles);
- Demonstrate leadership in his or her community (emphasis will be placed on leadership roles within the AU graduate student community).

To nominate an individual for one of these four awards, please submit the required documentation **by the 15th of October 2020**.

Please send your submissions to:

Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association
135-2525 36th Street NE
PO Box 57202
Calgary, Alberta
T1Y 6R4

Phone: 1-866-625-5943 Main Office: 1-780-257-5394 Email: ed@augsa.com



Nomination Information

Outstanding Distinction Award for AU Faculty: The purpose of this award is to acknowledge and honour faculty who stand out because of their support, availability, and leadership. This award will be offered once annually in November. The recipient of this award will have \$150.00 donated to the AU library in the recipient's name. He or she will also receive a certificate and a \$100.00 gift certificate to a restaurant of their choice. The candidate nominated for this award must be an Athabasca University instructor who meets the following criteria.

Nominee Requirements:

- Exhibit outstanding leadership;
- Exhibit outstanding engagement of graduate students by being quick to respond to graduate student inquiries, actively and responsively engaging with graduate students, and exhibiting diligence in marking and providing feedback with regard to assignments; and
- Be active in a teaching role in the year of nomination (must teach a minimum of 3-credits worth of graduate level courses).

To nominate AU Faculty for this award, please submit the required documentation **by the 15th of October 2020**. Awards will be evaluated in May of each year and given out during the annual AU Staff Awards Ceremony.

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Outstanding Distinction Award for AU Non-Academic Staff: The purpose of this award is to acknowledge and honour AU Non-Academic Staff who stand out because of their availability, presence, and work ethic. This award will be offered once annually in November. The recipient of this award will have \$150.00 donated to the AU library in the recipient's name. He or she will also receive a certificate and a \$100.00 gift certificate to a restaurant of their choice.

Nominee Requirements:

- Exhibit diligence in responding to graduate student inquiries and requests (by email, telephone, on web forums, etc.).
- Candidate makes an effort to be “visible” to graduate students by actively engaging with graduate students, proactively following up on graduate student concerns and inquires, and being consistent in communications and follow-up.
- Go above and beyond the call of duty in his or her interactions with graduate students
- Be a full- or part-time employee of Athabasca University's Non-Academic staff, working a minimum of 15 hours per week.

To nominate AU Non-Academic Staff for this award, please submit the required documentation **by the 15th of October 2020**. Awards will be evaluated in May of each year and given out during the annual AU Staff Awards Ceremony.

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