

REGION 3 AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Award/Scholarship Title: Region 3 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advising Champion Award

Award/Scholarship Description: This award recognizes NACADA members in Region 3 who are making advising more inclusive, fair, and responsive to the needs of historically marginalized and/or non-traditional student populations. The goal of this award is to acknowledge advising work that helps address inequities experienced by students during their college careers and to celebrate advisors who create environments, spaces, and opportunities that promote and advance acceptance and belonging for all. The award may also recognize the development of advising competency trainings or research that promotes educational equity, advising programs or initiatives that target inequities, and advising professional development opportunities for advisors who have identified as historically marginalized and/or non-traditional students. This award may recognize both outstanding one-time efforts and/or high-quality service sustained over time.

These one-time awards/scholarships are non-transferrable to another person or activity/event. Individuals may nominate themselves. Reimbursement requests will be processed after the Region Conference and must be processed before December 1 of the Award season calendar year. Current NACADA Board members, NACADA Council members, Region Steering Committee members, and NACADA Executive Office staff are not eligible for nomination. NACADA's Executive Office staff does not disclose who is nominated or how many individuals are nominated for any award/scholarship.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Nominee/applicant must be a current member of NACADA at the time of application.
- Nominee/applicant must have worked in the advising profession for a minimum of one year.
- Nominee/applicant may apply only in their own region.

Selection Rubric

Certificates of Merit: While one award will be awarded, regions may award a Certificate of Merit to one or two nominees/applicants based on evaluation scores. Certificate of Merit winners receive a certificate from the region and recognition at the Region Conference. Certificate of Merit winners do not receive event registration or travel reimbursement funds.

Recipient receives:

- NACADA Region Conference early registration fee
- An award certificate of recognition
- Recognition at the Region Conference Awards and Scholarships recognition program

Number of awards/scholarships available:

1 award.

Application materials required (all documents must be uploaded in PDF format, including letters): Submit materials via the NACADA Awards online nomination system including the following documents, uploaded in PDF form:

Nomination/Application Letter: This letter should summarize the nominee/applicant's qualifications and why the individual is being nominated for the award. This document should provide evidence and specific examples that demonstrate excellent performance. This document should also incorporate a personal philosophy statement regarding the nominee/applicant's approach to advising and/or advising administration. Examples of any NACADA professional development activities the nominee/applicant has participated in are valuable. The letter SHOULD NOT exceed three pages, single spaced.

<u>Letters of Support</u>: Include two letters of support. These letters may come from colleagues, employees, supervisors, or students - anyone who might augment the selection committee's understanding of the nominee. Letters SHOULD NOT exceed two pages, single spaced.

<u>Current Resume or Curriculum Vita</u>: Please limit entries to material that pertains directly to academic advising, presenting relevant information from the nominee/applicant's overall resume/vita. Please include the nominee/applicant's current job with either a position description or a list of job responsibilities.

Expectations of Award/Scholarship winner:

It is ideal if the nominee/applicant has the support of their office/department/college/institution in attending the Region Conference as the recipient will be recognized and presented their award during the Region Conference Awards and Scholarships Ceremony. Recipients may be asked by the region to provide a written testimonial of the ways in which their career and/or education benefitted from receiving the NACADA Award/Scholarship.