AWARD CRITERIA
2017 Dalhousie Alumni Association Awards

General:
Below is the list of criteria that must be met for a nomination in any category to be considered. Please note that the criteria for the Award of Excellence for Teaching can be found at learningandteaching.dal.ca and are not referenced in this document.

At the time of nomination, a nominee must:
1) Be an alumnus or alumnae of Dalhousie
2) Be living
3) Not be serving on the Dalhousie Board of Governors or the Dalhousie Alumni Association Board of Directors *
4) Not be a sitting member of a municipal, provincial or federal government

* Members of the Dalhousie Alumni Association (DAA) Board of Directors and the Dalhousie Board of Governors are not eligible for consideration until 5 years after the completion of their Board service.

While awards are normally not awarded to current faculty or staff, the selection committee may consider an individual with a post-retirement, non-continuing, part-time appointment, the nature of which does not involve that individual in the day-to-day administration of the university.

Award-specific criteria:

A. Gordon Archibald Award

This award recognizes extraordinary alumni who have set a high standard for volunteerism to Dalhousie University. Specifically, this award recognizes and pays tribute to individuals who have made significant contributions to the advancement of Dalhousie through the commitment of their time, talent and passion.

Primary criteria:
- The nominee has significantly participated in a voluntary, non-salaried leadership role at Dalhousie.

Secondary consideration:
- Consideration is also given to individuals who contribute to the financial well-being of the university and/or encourage others to give.
Christopher J. Coulter Award

This award recognizes the success of a young graduate of Dalhousie University for an interesting, unusual or innovative accomplishment in their career, public service or personal life, and/or notable contributions to society, their current community or Dalhousie.

Primary criteria:
- Must be age 40 or younger (not having reached his/her 41st birthday before December 31, 2016).
- The nominee achieved notable success in his/her career, public or personal life.

Secondary consideration:
- Consideration is also given to individuals who contribute to the financial well-being of a chosen charity and encourage others to give.

Lifetime Achievement Award

This award recognizes Dalhousie alumni for a lifetime of accomplishments in career and/or community service.

Primary criteria:
- The nominee must be at least 41 years of age (having reached his/her 41st birthday before December 31, 2016).
- The nominee’s accomplishments have the power to inspire and motivate Dalhousie students and others while setting an exemplary example for all who follow.

Secondary consideration:
- Consideration is also given to individuals who contribute to the financial well-being of a chosen charity and/or encourage others to give for the betterment of society.

Volunteerism Award

This award recognizes extraordinary alumni whose volunteer efforts have resulted in the creation of a new program, the dramatic expansion of an existing program, or the continued success of an established program, which has been important to its recipients, be they in their local community, their region, their country, or the world.

Primary criteria:
- The nominee can be of any age.
The community they've operated in can be at any of the municipal, provincial, national, or global levels.

The nominee activities must include the following requirements:
- Donate their personal time, expertise, or knowledge
- Have achieved results which are important to their recipients.
  - Note: Activities for the protection or preservation of the environment or Human Rights should be considered.

The nominee’s activities must not involve any of the following:
- Be intended to generate personal financial or commercial gain
- Be intended for political gain.

Secondary criteria:
- Not be a part of the person’s job description [e.g. NGO]
- Financial contributions or the lending of commercial or personal resources are not to be given value in the consideration of this award.
- Volunteer activities for Dalhousie University are not to be given value in the consideration of this award. For volunteer activities for Dalhousie please refer to the A. Gordon Archibald Award.

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