



ROCKY MOUNTAIN

Association for Counselor Education and Supervision



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For the first annual RMACES awards nominations, the following guidelines and procedures for recognizing and honoring accomplishments and contributions to the Association and to the counseling profession will be utilized. Awards will be announced during the 2017 ACES Conference, at the RMACES meeting, in Chicago, IL.

Nomination packets **MUST** include:

- A. A cover letter from the nominator that describes the achievement(s) or merit(s) of the person or organization being nominated.
- B. Supporting data
- C. All nominations should include two (2) letters of support, including the nominator's cover letter, unless otherwise noted.

Eligibility Requirements:

- A. All individuals submitting a nomination form for the ACES awards must be an active member of ACES by July 14, 2017.
- B. All nominees must be active members of ACES by July 14, 2017
- C. Nominations and supplementary materials must be received by 11:59 PM MST on July 14, 2017.**

The nominator is solely responsible for making the nomination, gathering support material, and emailing the nomination packets. The RMACES Awards Committee reserves the right to refuse to grant any award based on the selection criteria even though one or more nominations may have been made in a category. All materials submitted become the property of the RMACES Awards Committee.

To provide more well-rounded representation in RMACES membership, the Awards Committee encourages members to participate in one role per year: either nominator or nominee. Please note that any submissions from the RMACES Awards Committee or the RMACES Executive Team may not qualify for consideration if other nominations have been submitted for each category.

The following will NOT be accepted: DVDs or videos, individual or separated letters, incomplete packets, and faxed materials.

DEADLINES: The nomination packet must be received by 11:59 PM MST on July 14, 2017.

Please send the entire nomination packet in one file (PDF or Word) and the completed nomination form via email attachment to: rmacesawards@gmail.com, Dr. Jared Thiemann, RMACES Awards Committee Chair.

Nominations are welcome for the following award categories.

1. Outstanding Graduate Student Leadership Award
2. Outstanding Teaching Award
3. The ACES Supervision Award
4. Lifetime Achievement Award

Description of the RMACES Awards

OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Outstanding Graduate Student Leadership Award honors a graduate student who is a member of ACA, ACES, and RMACES and has provided outstanding leadership to counselor education, ACES, RMACES, and the counseling profession. Such leadership activities are as follows:

- State, regional, or national level activities that are directly relevant to the advancement of counselor education, ACES, RMACES and the counseling profession;
- Assuming leadership positions in organizations related to counselor education and counseling;
- Scholarship (e.g., innovative research, publication activities, or professional presentations directly related to counselor education and counseling);
- Involvement in professional organizations (e.g., RMACES, ACES, Chi Sigma Iota, ACA);
- Role modeling leadership for current and future RMACES and ACES members for the sake of developing future leaders in RMACES and the counseling profession; and
- Influence, communication, and public relations within society concerning counselor education.

OUTSTANDING TEACHING AWARD

The Outstanding Teaching Award honors a counselor educator who exemplifies excellence and innovation as an instructor in the classroom. Nomination packets

must include:

- The nominee's updated CV (indicating courses taught); and
- Letters of support should describe the nominee's achievements with attention given to innovative teaching techniques; and dedication to encouraging critical and independent thinking.

THE RMACES SUPERVISION AWARD

The RMACES Supervision Award honors a counseling supervisor or supervision researcher who exemplifies excellence, innovation, and impact in clinical supervision. Candidates for this award may include counselor educators, counseling students, or practitioners who merit recognition as a clinical supervisor or supervision researcher. Nomination packets must include:

- If the nomination is for supervision research, the nomination also should include samples of the research (e.g., dissertation, article, outcomes, or presentation).
- In describing the nominee's achievements, attention should be given to:
 - Innovation in clinical supervision or supervision research;
 - Leadership in the advancement of supervision knowledge, techniques, and theory;
 - Impact of the nominee's work.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Award recipients must be ACES and RMACES members, as well as counselor educators and supervisors, for a minimum of 15 years to be eligible for this award. To be given for outstanding service to ACES, RMACES and/or the field of Counselor Education and Supervision as demonstrated by:

- Extraordinary Teaching and Academic excellence (Demonstrated through program development, student and peer evaluations, academic and administrative responsibilities to CACREP and NBCC);
- Significant publication and/or research history;
- Manifest commitment and service to ACES as evidenced by committee membership, offices held, task force involvement, advocacy, and volunteerism within the organization;
- Outstanding commitment to the advancement of Counselor Education and Supervision through the education, supervision, and mentoring of students and/or new professional counselors.