

2017 Dennis Mock Student Leadership Awards Nomination Guidelines

The Dennis Mock Student Leadership Awards recognize graduating students who have made outstanding voluntary extracurricular contributions to their school or academic program department, their faculty, or to Ryerson University as a whole. The awards acknowledge and encourage student participation in university affairs.

In naming the awards after Dennis Mock, Ryerson recognizes his commitment to higher education. His leadership and dedication, demonstrated during his 28 years at the university, are qualities embodied in students chosen to receive this award - students committed to 'making a difference'. This is a prestigious, non-monetary award.

Dennis Mock Leadership Award Application

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Key Dates

Week of December 19 Dennis Mock Leadership Awards nominations open via Google Forms

February 13 Submission deadline via Google Forms

Week of February 13 Student Awards and Scholarships Office (SASO) reviews nominations

Week of February 20 SASO convenes the University-wide selection committee

February 24 Program and Faculty-wide nominations released to the Dean's Office

February 27 – March 9 Dean's Selection Committees convene to select Program and Faculty-wide recipients

March 10 Dean's Selection Committee final decisions submitted to SASO

Week of March 13 Recipients, nominees and nominators contacted by SASO

Week of March 27 Student Experience Awards (date and location to be confirmed)

Nomination Categories

Students may be nominated for one category per nomination. The Selection Committee may choose to reassign a nomination to a different award category, based on the best fit with the evidence. Students may receive only one Dennis Mock Student Leadership Award in their academic career at Ryerson (i.e. undergraduate award winners may not be nominated again during graduate studies).

University-wide Category - Where the extra-curricular contribution has been to the whole of Ryerson. A maximum of ten students may be selected by a committee with University-wide representation. All recipients will be approved by the Program Chair/Director.

Faculty-wide Category – Where the extra-curricular contribution has been to the Faculty. A maximum of one student per faculty may be selected, including LIFE Institute members at The Chang School of Continuing Education, by the Dean’s Selection Committee. The Dean’s selections will be accepted automatically.

Program-wide Category – Where the extra-curricular contribution has been to the School or academic Program department. A maximum of one student per School or academic Program will be selected by the Dean’s Selection Committee. The Dean’s selections will be accepted automatically.

Selection Criteria

- Students who have/are graduating in Fall 2016 or Spring 2017 (the current academic year)*
- In a Full-time or Part-time Ryerson degree program*
- Clear academic standing (1.67 CGPA) at the time of nomination*

*Exception applies to LIFE Institute members nominated for the Faculty wide award

The value of the student’s contribution, rather than an office held, should be the major criterion considered. A nominee's volunteer contributions may take the form of any one, or a combination, of the following:

- leadership on committees, or influence on student or university affairs;
- improvement in the quality of life of students;
- encouragement of fellow students to become involved in extracurricular activities; although external involvement is encouraged, activities should be focused on the Ryerson campus or community;
- contribution to the sense of community at Ryerson

Application Instructions

Any member of the University community - including students, faculty, staff or alumni - is welcome to submit nominations for the award in a category. All nominations must be consented to by the student and University-wide recipients must be endorsed by the student’s academic program department.

Please complete the Google Form nomination form in full as incomplete submissions will not be forwarded for review.

Selection Committees

SASO will set up Google Drive folders where ratings sheets can be accessed and subsequent summary sheets will be submitted.

Dean's Selection Committee

We suggest that the committee be assembled so the Dean or designate acts as the Chair of the committee; plus one Chair/Director; plus three faculty and/or staff members, with five members total. It is also suggested that the Chair/Director and the faculty/staff members must all come from different academic program departments.

SASO will forward nomination forms to appropriate Chairs/Directors for approval once University-wide recipients have been decided.

University Selection Committee

Members come from Senate's Awards and Ceremonials Committee: Provost or designate who acts as Chair of the Committee; plus one Dean; plus one Chair/Director; plus two faculty members; five members total.

Awards Presentation

The second annual Student Experience Awards will take place in the last week of March (date and location to be confirmed at a later date). Announcements and presentation arrangements will follow from SASO, space is limited and this is an invitation-only event.