

ACUI Region 1 Awards Nomination Information - 2009

Please take some time to nominate colleagues and/or students for an ACUI Region 1 award. The awards will be presented at the Region 1 Conference at Eastern Connecticut State University on Saturday, November 21, 2009.

Distinguished Service Award

Presented to an individual who has done outstanding work over a period of years (5 years minimum). This is the highest honor presented by Region 1. Individuals should be nominated for their high quality work and sustained contribution to Region 1 and ACUI.

Past Recipients: Brenda Goupee, Dartmouth College; Victoria Angis, Castleton State College; Holly Sateia, Dartmouth College; Jodie Neally, Tufts University; Bob Grier, Northeastern University; Donnchadh O'hAodha, University College Cork; Bruce Hamilton, University of Rhode Island; Joe Comeau, Bentley College; Mary Connelly, UMASS - Lowell; Cathy Holbrook, Bridgewater State College; Sharon Hay, Providence College

Significant Volunteer Award

Presented to an individual who volunteers throughout the year, ("year" indicates fall conference to fall conference) and often does a lot of the "behind the scenes" work. We recognize the fact that ACUI thrives on it volunteers and that much enthusiasm and hard work is often put forth. This individual goes the extra mile.

Past Recipients: Ed Cabellon, Bridgewater State College; Geoff Combs, UMASS Boston; Una Redmond, Dublin City University; Jean Alicandro, Central Connecticut State University; Melinda Stroh, Boston University; Brenda Goupee, Dartmouth College; KC Ferrara, Providence College; Dennis Proulx, Landmark College; Lisa DuBose, Fitchburg State College

New Professional Award

Presented to an individual who demonstrates the potential and commitment for excellence in the field of College Unions and Student Activities and fulfills the following criteria:

1. Makes a significant contribution to campus life at his/her institution;
2. Demonstrates commitment to the College Union/ Student Activities field;
3. Is viewed by colleagues as an educator;
4. Displays genuine support and regard for students;
5. Shows creativity and innovation in the performance of his/ her job;
6. Demonstrates commitment to ACUI through regional or association wide involvement;
7. Has been employed as a current full-time professional staff member of an ACUI member institution in the field for five years or less (definition of full-time employment is not less than nine months a year).

Past Recipients: Pascha McTyson, UMass Lowell; Erin Dayharsh, Northeastern University; Sara Punskey, Smith College; Erin Morrell, Albertus Magnus College; Todd Incantalupo, Providence College; Christopher Kandus, Babson College; Rebecca Pratte, Merrimack College; Seth Rosenzweig, Boston University; Ruth Morgan, Dartmouth College; Patrick Connelly, Dartmouth College; Jessica Gully, Amherst College

College Union Role Model/ Campus Life Award – staff

Presented to a professional staff member who best exemplifies outstanding achievement in the college union/ student activities field and best exemplifies the ideals of “The Role of the College Union” statement.

- Makes a significant contribution to campus life at his/ her institution
- Has provided outstanding development opportunities for students in the college union.
- Is viewed by colleagues as an educator
- Shows creativity and innovation in the performance of his/ her job
- Has made an extraordinary impact on students’ lives and has earned their respect
- Actively participates in ACUI activities
- Is employed as a current full-time professional staff member of an ACUI member institution and has been at this institution for at least 9 months.
- Must have 5 years or more experience in the field of college union/ student activities

Past Recipients: Mike Makoski, Fitchburg State College; Scott Tierno, Southern New Hampshire University; Otis Mamed, Central Connecticut State University; John Silveria, Northeastern University

Campus Life Award – student

Presented to a student (undergraduate or graduate) who best exemplifies outstanding achievement in the college union/ student activities field.

- Has participated for at least 1 year in the area of campus activities at their institution in a volunteer capacity
- Makes a significant contribution to campus life at his/ her institution
- Actively participates in ACUI activities
- Student’s contributions make a positive impact on the University community
- Undergraduate or graduate student in a degree program at an ACUI member institution

Past Recipients: Ken Barone, Central Connecticut State University; Corey Ian Zohlman, Central Connecticut State University; Erin Miller, University of Vermont; Danny Reyes, Central Connecticut State University

Student Employee Award

Presented to a student who makes a significant contribution to their institution through their work in the college union and helps in projecting the goals and mission.

- Must be a paid student employee working in the college union
- Undergraduate student in a degree program
- Student must have worked for at least 2 semesters by the Fall Region 1 conference.
- Student makes a significant contribution to their work environment on campus
- Student’s work contribution makes a positive impact on the University community
- Student demonstrates excellent or outstanding employment traits such as honesty, credibility, punctuality, focus, responsibility, professionalism, strong conflict management, organizational skills and supervisory skills.
- Student consistently provides quality service to others

Past Recipients: Matthew Griffin, Keen State College; Elizabeth Mongrello, Smith College; Samantha Greeno, Castleton State College; Ronny Rojas, UMASS – Boston; Tony Davis, Boston University; Helen Kang, Dartmouth College; David Eng, University of Hartford; Bill O’Day, University of Rhode Island

To nominate an individual for any of the Region 1 Awards please provide the following information:

In a letter, please state the nominee's name, current position in the field, institution, address, telephone, and email address, as well as the number of years the individual has been in the field. Please state which award you are nominating the individual for and why you believe they are deserving of the award.

Nominations should address selection criteria, history of employment, and any other pertinent information.

Please mail, fax or email your nominations to:

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Nominations are due to Kim no later than Friday, November 6, 2009. Awards will be presented at the Fall Regional Conference on November 21st. Questions? Please email Kim at kim.schwarz@uconn.edu.