

2009

Senior Medallion Awards



Information Booklet
for Faculty and Staff

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a Medallion Award?

A large, engraved medallion given as recognition to a **GRADUATING STUDENT** who has achieved excellence in a curricular area or a special area. Many students proudly call them “gold medallions.”

What kinds of medallions are there?

- Excellence medallions, which are given for excellence in academic areas
- Recognition and service medallions, which are given for university or community service, leadership, and scholarship

Who qualifies for a medallion?

Graduating seniors, master’s students or doctoral students who meet the criteria set by the sponsoring department, individual, or organization. Typically, one award is given per department or specialization. **The student MUST be graduating in May or have graduated last summer or in December.**

Who selects the recipient?

The department or organization selects the student. Their selection goes to the University Medallion Awards Committee, which monitors the regulations and selections. Any changes to an award’s name or criteria must be approved by this committee.

Who pays for the medallion?

The sponsoring department, individual, memorial fund or student organization. **State and/or federal monies may NOT be used for the funding of a medallion.**

How are the recipients honored?

All colleges will honor their respective award winners in the way they choose. There is no university-wide event.

How much is a 2009 medallion?

- \$150 if the award has been given previously
- \$300 for a **NEW** award
- \$5000 for a new perpetual award (which will be given every year)

How does the sponsor pay?

If your award is perpetual, you do NOT need to pay anything.

If the award is NOT perpetual: Fill out the Sponsor Form (green). Make your check payable to **Rowan University Medallion Awards**. Send by March 3, 2009, to Sue Rickert, University Senate, Campbell Library.

*** If we do not receive the money by the deadline, the award may not be given.**

We have an award established. What next?

1. Review the general Selection Policies in this booklet.
2. Read the Award description and criteria on your individualized Selection Form (yellow paper).
3. Meet with your department to discuss candidates. Select one award winner.
4. Fill out the yellow Selection Form. **Note: No other documentation is required.**
5. Return form by March 3 to: Office of the University Senate, Campbell Library

Can two people get the same award?

Not usually. However, if you can't break a tie between two students, and you decide to give two awards, the second award will be treated as a NEW medallion, which will then require \$300 sponsorship fee.

Other questions?

Contact either:

- Claudia Cuddy, Awards Committee chair: ext. 5414, cuddy@rowan.edu
- Jeanie Riebe, Journalism Secretary: ext. 4049, riebe@rowan.edu.

■ You can get a list of all your majors through Banner.

1. Log in, then choose Faculty and Advisors.
2. Choose Automated Enrollment Management Services.
3. Choose Curriculum Tally.
4. Choose Term.
5. For Selection, choose Major (in most cases).
6. Choose your College.
7. Click Generate Tally.
8. Select the Major you want.
9. Then select "Export Details." This will download an Excel list of all your majors. Organize it any way you want. By grade level, then GPA is helpful.

Call Jeanie Riebe, Journalism, ext. 4049, for help.

■ Please do not send resumes or letters with academic medallion forms.

- Please meet the deadline. The committee meets a few days later to validate the selections. If you miss the deadline, the medallion will not be ready for presentation until **after** commencement.

Deadline: March 3, 2009

<http://www.rowan.edu/president/senate/medallion>

Awards by College

College of Business		
General	Joseph Robert Sorelle Scholar-Athlete Award for the College of Business	Perpetual
General	Tevis M. Goldhaft Leadership in Business Award	Perpetual
Management	Management Institute Outstanding Business Student	Perpetual
HR Mgmt	Robert D. Lynch Award for Leadership in Human Resources Management	Perpetual
Marketing	Leo C. Beebe Excellence in Marketing Management Award	Perpetual
College of Communication		
Advertising	Hal Vogel Award for Excellence in Advertising	Perpetual
CommStud	Excellence in Communication Studies Award	Perpetual
Journalism	Jack Gillespie Award for Excellence in Journalism	Perpetual
Journalism	Claudia Cuddy Award for Excellence in Editing and Publishing	Perpetual
PR	Anthony J. Fulginiti Award for Excellence in Public Relations	Perpetual
PR	Litwin Family Medallion for Excellence in Strategic Public Relations Writing	Perpetual
PR	Anne Sceia Klein Professional Advisor Medallion for Outstanding Professionalism	Perpetual
RTF	Wanda Kaleta Award for Excellence in Cinema and Media Studies	Perpetual
RTF	Donovan Award for Excellence in Radio, TV, and Film	Perpetual
Writing Arts	Excellence in Writing Arts Award	Perpetual
College of Education		
HES	Daniel P. Stanley Health and Exercise Science Alumni Award	Perpetual
HES	3B Orthopaedics Athletic Training Student Excellence	Perpetual
HES	Evelyn M. Reade Health and Exercise Science Award	Annual
HES	Health Promotion and Fitness Management Award	Annual
Reading	Evelyn B. Slobodzian Excellence in Reading Award	Annual
Sec. Ed.	Robert L. Donaghay Award for Excellence in School of Nursing	Perpetual
Sec. Ed.	John A. Rocco Postbaccalaureate Award for Excellence in Secondary Teaching	Perpetual
Sec. Ed.	Leonard L. Mancuso Award for Excellence in Secondary School Student Teaching	Perpetual
Sec. Ed.	Thomas J. Gallia Award for Excellence in Secondary Science Teaching	Perpetual
Sec. Ed.	Ida and Jeff Margolis Award for Excellence in Social Studies and Multicultural Teaching	Perpetual
Sec. Ed.	Stanton B. Langworthy Award for Excellence in Foundations of Education	Perpetual
Early Child.	Marion Riling Award for Excellence in Early Childhood Education	Perpetual
SES/I	Cecil F. Miller Special Education Award	Annual
College of Engineering		
Chem Eng	Clarence Slater Award for Excellence in Chemical Engineering	Perpetual
Civil/Env	Ralph Alan Dusseau Award for Civil and Environmental Engineering	Perpetual
Elec/Comp	C. Ernest O'Neal Award for Electrical and Computer Engineering	Perpetual
Mech Eng	Excellence in Mechanical Engineering	Perpetual
General	Irene Elizabeth Tracey Award for Excellence in Engineering	Perpetual

Awards by College

College of Fine and Performing Arts		
Art	Parthenia J. Vandermark Creative Arts Award	Perpetual
Art	Rodney E. Gates Award for Excellence in Art Education	Perpetual
Art	Harvey & Harriet Alpert Creative Achievement in Fine Arts	Perpetual
Music	W. Clarke Pfleeger Award for Musical Excellence	Perpetual
Theatre/Dance	Bryna G. Goldhaft Dance Award	Perpetual
Theatre/Dance	Phillip A. Graneto Award for Excellence in Theatre	Perpetual
Theatre/Dance	Joseph Robinette Excellence in Theatre and Dance	Perpetual
General	Ann B. Ward Creative Achievement in Fine and Performing Arts Award	Perpetual
College of Liberal Arts and Sciences		
Afr-Amer Studies	Excellence in African-American Studies Award	Annual
Bio. Sciences	Robert N. Renlund Preprofessional Award in the Allied Health Field	Perpetual
Bio. Sciences	Excellence in Biological Sciences Award	Perpetual
Chem & Biochem	Michael Miller Excellence in Chemistry or Biochemistry Award	Perpetual
Comp Science	Nhan Huynh Award for Excellence in Computer Science	Perpetual
For.Lang/Lit	Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Award	Annual
History	Gary Hunter Excellence in History Award	Perpetual
Internat.Studies	George Geng and Ethel Brannan International Education Award	Perpetual
Law & Justice	Excellence in Law and Justice Studies Award	Annual
Math/Science	Excellence in Liberal Studies Math/Science Award	Perpetual
Mathematics	James M. Shafer Excellence in Mathematics Award	Perpetual
Physics	Excellence in Physics	Perpetual
Political Science	Francis Peacock Political Science Award	Perpetual
Psychology	Excellence in Psychology Award	Annual
Sociology	Samuel E. Wittchell Sociology Medallion	Annual
Graduate School		
Ed Leadership	Larry Marcus Award for Excellence in Educational Leadership, Doctoral Studies	Perpetual
Librarianship	Rinehart S. Potts Award for Excellence in Public Librarianship	Perpetual
Librarianship	Charles and Nancy Boltz Award for Excellence in School Librarianship	Perpetual
PR	Donald Bagin Graduate Public Relations Award	Perpetual
St.Pers.Serv.	Charles Cammarota Award for Counseling in Educational Settings	Perpetual
Writing Arts	Toni Libro Outstanding Master of Writing Thesis Award	Perpetual

Recognition and Service Awards

Recognition and Service Awards – Campus-wide	
Lawson J. Brown Senior Scholarship Award 4.0 GPA (not nominated)	Perpetual
Kathleen M. Murry Academic Excellence and Service Award (Service Learning)	Perpetual
Earl W. Hinton and Dolores Copeland Award for Volunteerism (EOF/MAP)	Annual
Elwood W. Nichols Award for Community Service (Alpha Phi Alpha)	Annual
* Distinguished Senior (Sponsored by SGA) (Open to nomination)	Annual
* Robert D. Bole Humanitarian Award (Open to nomination)	Perpetual
* James M. Lynch, Jr., Courage in Adversity Award (Open to nomination)	Perpetual
* Thomas E. Robinson Leadership Award (Open to nomination)	Annual

* Nominations will be accepted from faculty, students, staff and/or university organizations for the four awards listed above (with asterisk). We encourage you to honor worthy individuals by writing a letter of recommendation for them. Forms will be available on: <http://www.rowan.edu/president/senate/awards>.

Distinguished Senior Award

Sponsor: SGA

This award is presented to a senior who exemplifies the qualities of outstanding scholarship, service, and leadership within the university community.

The Thomas E. Robinson Leadership Award

Sponsors: Mrs. Vernon Huston

Presented to that individual who has provided outstanding leadership to the student body and the university community.

Dr. Robinson served as the third president of the University, holding the position from 1952 to 1968, the longest tenure of any of our presidents.

The Robert D. Bole Humanitarian Award

Sponsors: Mrs. Vernon B. Huston and Barbara Bole Williams

Presented to that individual whose lifestyle and activities display compassion and concern for the well-being of others. This person's commitment should be evident through his/her demonstrated involvement.

Dr. Bole served as a dean and faculty member in the Department of Educational Leadership from 1952 to 1979. The Bole Hall and Bole Hall Annex were named in his honor.

The James M. Lynch, Jr. Courage in Adversity Award

Sponsor: Dennis J. Lynch

Presented to that individual who has overcome circumstances of extreme mental and/or physical hardships to achieve his/her education.

Dr. Lynch spent 22 years at Rowan (Glassboro State) where he served as the Dean of Students and later as a member of the Department of Educational Leadership.

Selection Policies & Guidelines for Medallions

- 1** All new medallion awards must be presented with description and guidelines to the Awards Committee for review and approval. If a department or specialization already has the same award in place, a duplicate award will not be approved.
- 2** Selections by departments must have the concurrence of a majority. *Exception:* If the criteria result in a clear-cut winner, then the majority rule isn't applicable. For example, the criteria may state the person must have the highest GPA in the program. No vote would be necessary in that situation.
- 3** The Medallion Awards are limited to Senior or Graduate students who:
 - graduate in the fall or spring of the current academic year (2008-2009)
 - graduate the summer PRECEDING the current academic year (summer of 2008)
 - have applied to walk in May graduation

Any special or extenuating circumstances must be discussed with the committee. If an individual selected for an award is ineligible to graduate or does not meet the set criteria, the award will not be given to that individual.
- 4** The **selection form** must be filled out and returned to The University Senate Office by the date specified. *Any changes in criteria must be approved by the Awards Committee.*
- 5** Nominations by student groups for departmental medallions are limited to those memorializing deceased or retired faculty members or deceased students.
- 6** Medallion awards that do not adhere to the established criteria, guidelines, and deadlines will NOT be given in the name of the university.
- 7** If your department or organization is NOT selecting a recipient this year, please notify the committee chairperson as soon as possible (Claudia Cuddy, ext. 5414 or cuddy@rowan.edu).
- 8** If the sponsor's check is not received by the deadline, the medallion will not be given. Please contact the chairperson for extenuating circumstances.

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