

2021 Guideline for IAEM-Global and IAEM-USA Student Related Awards

The IAEM-Global Awards and Recognition Committee in cooperation with the IAEM Global Student Council offers these award categories:

- Student of the Year Award
- Student Ally of the Year Award

For the IAEM-Global Student of the Year Award and the IAEM-Global Student Ally of the Year Award, the Global Awards Work Group will review all first-place winners as selected by their respective country/area IAEM Councils. The Work Group will select a first-place global winner from among the Councils' winners. Should there be insufficient nominations from various Councils, the global awards may not be given at the Work Group's discretion.

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The IAEM-USA Awards and Recognition Committee in cooperation with the IAEM-USA Student Region offers these award categories:

- Student Chapter of the Year (USA only)
- Student Chapter Advisor of the Year (USA only)
- Student of the Year
- Student Ally of the Year Award

IAEM-USA Student of the Year and IAEM-USA Student Ally of the Year Award first-place winners will be submitted for consideration in the Global Student of the Year and Student Ally of the Year awards' competition.

Eligibility Requirements

Activities or programs must have been implemented and used during the period of **January 1 to December 31, 2020** (calendar year).

Student of the Year Award – recognizes a student who has made significant contributions to the field of emergency and disaster management. This can be done through volunteer work, promotion of the field, and contribution in their community. High academic achievement is also required (both formal and/or continuing education). Must be enrolled in a program of studies in the field of emergency management, homeland security, or related academic field offered by an accredited institution of higher learning. Must be a member of the International Association of Emergency Managers during the calendar year of 2020. Must be nominated by an IAEM Member. No self-nominations accepted.

Student Ally of the Year Award – This award is presented to an individual (IAEM member or non-member) or organization that has assisted, promoted, or supported IAEM students in their activities in the field of emergency management/homeland security and higher education. Examples could be individuals who ensured student involvement in emergency management programs or someone who guides students towards their degrees or CEM / AEM credentials. No self-nominations accepted.

Student Chapter of the Year Award - recognizes an IAEM-registered student chapter which has made significant contributions in promoting IAEM, the Student Council, and the field of emergency management through public awareness, increasing membership, showing leadership and initiative in education, and increasing the professionalism of emergency and disaster management.

Chapter Advisor of the Year – recognizes the chapter advisor who has gone above and beyond the call of duty. This individual has made great strides in promoting the work of a student chapter and IAEM students as a whole. This may have been demonstrated through the formation of a chapter, maintaining a high level of activity for the chapter, or in general assisting students further their education and career goals. Must have been a member of the International Association of Emergency Managers during the calendar year of 2020. No self-nominations accepted.

Submission Criteria

- Each nominator may submit one entry per award category.
 - The awards are based on contributions and achievements during the period from January 1 to December 31, 2020 (calendar year).
 - No self-nominations will be accepted.
 - Correct official entry form is used for the nomination category. Entry forms are available at www.iaem.org/Resources/Awards
 - Entry form is completely filled out. Incomplete entry forms will not be considered.
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How Award Entries Are Judged

Criteria listed below for each award explain judging requirements. Note, all award submissions must not have received an award in a previous year.

Student of the Year:

- (Weight: 30%) Contributions to IAEM -- describe significant contributions in promoting the IAEM and the Student Council or Student Region within a country council. How has this person assisted with increasing IAEM membership and demonstrated leadership?
- (Weight: 50%) Contributions to the profession -- describe significant contributions in the field of emergency management that support increasing professionalism? What accomplishments have been achieved and recognition won?
- (Weight: 20%) Initiative in education and academic achievement -- describe academic and professional courses completed that are beyond the scope of ordinary course scheduling and/or taught others about aspects of the profession. Describe academic achievements.

Student Ally of the Year:

Describe in narrative form how the individual or organization assisted, promoted, or supported IAEM students in their activities in the field of emergency management and higher education. Examples could be individuals who ensured student involvement in emergency management programs or someone who guides students towards their degrees or CEM/AEM credential. Be specific on what makes this ally outstanding in the support provided to students.

Student Chapter of the Year:

- (Weight: 30%) Significant contributions in promoting IAEM, increasing membership in the IAEM, and promoting the Student Council and Student Region.
- (Weight: 35%) Significant contributions in promoting students in IAEM.
- (Weight: 35%) Significant contributions in promoting emergency management and the profession through public awareness, showing leadership and initiative in education, and increasing professionalism of emergency and disaster management.
- Chapter is registered with the IAEM Headquarters (yes or no)

Chapter Adviser of the Year:

- (Weight: 30%) Promoting the work of the student chapter.
- (Weight: 35%) Promoting the work of IAEM students as a whole.
- (Weight: 35%) Additional work for the student chapter above and beyond the average adviser.
- Must have been a member of the International Association of Emergency Managers during the calendar year of 2020. (yes or no)

All student awards will be judged through an unbiased selection process by judges appointed by the IAEM-USA Awards and Recognition Committee.

The judges will review entries to determine how closely the above-referenced criteria are explained in a thoughtful yet concise manner, and how the nomination complies with the format and content requirements explained above. Incomplete entry forms will not be considered.

Only written documentation will be reviewed. (No video, photos, websites, or other media will be accepted.)

Judges provide a recommendation for selection to the IAEM-USA Awards and Recognition Committee, whose decisions are final.

First place winners in the IAEM-USA Student of the Year and IAEM-USA Student Ally of the Year Award categories will be submitted for consideration in the IAEM-Global Student of the Year and IAEM-Global Student Ally of the Year Award competition.

Announcement of IAEM Award Results

The results of the judging for the IAEM award categories will be announced by the IAEM Global Awards and Recognition Committee (for Global awards) and the IAEM-USA Awards and Recognition Committee (for USA-only awards). The determinations of the respective awards committees will be final.

Please submit the completed award entry form and supporting documents via IAEM's website no later than Monday, May 31, 2021, 11:59 p.m. Eastern daylight time. Entries submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.

2021 IAEM Awards Competition Schedule

- **Announcement of Call for Entries:** Friday, April 9, 2021.
 - **Entry Deadline:** Monday, May 31, 2021, 11:59 p.m., U.S. Eastern Daylight Time.
 - **Judging of Entries:** During June 2021.
 - **Notification of Entrants:** During July 2021.
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