

IAEM Student of the Year 2023

The IAEM Student of the Year Award recognizes a student who has made significant contributions in promoting IAEM 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. This can be done through volunteer work, promotion of the field, and contribution in the student's community. High academic achievement is also required, both formal and/or continuing education.

Who is eligible?

- A nominee for Student of the Year must not have received an award in a previous year.
 - The nominee must be a member of the IAEM as of April 1, 2023.
 - Self-nominations are not accepted.
 - The nominee must be enrolled in an emergency management, homeland security, or related academic field bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree program at an accredited institution of higher learning during the calendar year of 2022. Traditional college, university, and on-line institutions are acceptable.
 - The award recipient does not need to be present at the IAEM Annual Conference to be selected although the award recipient is strongly encouraged to participate in the conference.
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Award Criteria (what an entry will be judged on)

- (Weight: 20%) **Contributions to IAEM through campus promotion:** describe significant contributions in promoting the IAEM. 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: 30%) **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. (A transcript is not required.)
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Completing the Official Award Entry/Nomination

- **Method:** An entry **must** be submitted in English on the official IAEM awards portal, available on the Membership Dashboard after logging in on the iaem.org website. People who are not members of the IAEM who wish to submit an entry must register as a Guest on the IAEM website to gain access to the awards entry portal.

- **Remain within specified limits:** some entry details have limits on the number of words. Information that exceeds the word limit will be truncated and excess words will not be visible to judges. Be concise!
- **Complete all entry details:** fill in each blank on the award entry portal. Incomplete information will cause the entry to be rejected.
- **Deadline:** Entry must be submitted no later than the submission deadline announced by the IAEM via email and on its website. Late entries will not be considered.
- **Supporting Materials:** No supporting materials for this award, such as recommendations, letters of support, or transcripts are requested.

Judging Process

The judging panel is assigned by the Awards and Recognition Committee Chair or delegee.

All award entries will be judged through an unbiased selection process. Judges will review entries ensuring that the nomination complies with the format and content requirements explained above and that all above-referenced criteria are explained in a thoughtful yet concise manner.

Only written documentation via entries and uploads on the awards portal will be reviewed. Incomplete entry forms will not be considered.

Judges who have a conflict-of-interest (as defined in the *IAEM Code of Conduct*) will recuse themselves from judging an entry with which there is a conflict.

The judging panel will recommend one selected recipient of this award to the IAEM-USA Awards and Recognition Committee for a final decision. The IAEM-USA Board of Directors, IAEM CEO, or other Association leadership does not review, approve, or referee decisions of the IAEM Awards & Recognition Committee.

Announcement of Award Results

Once the USA Awards and Recognition Committee confirms the selection of who will receive this award, IAEM Headquarters will notify the recipient, the nominator, and the IAEM Region of the recipient's jurisdiction. All nominators will receive notification of the status of their own nominee.

Questions

If you have a question about this award or its criteria, please email: awards@iaem.com. Phone calls are not accepted. Email questions well before the entry deadline. Permission to enter late will not be granted due to last-minute questions.