

# Case Western Reserve University-Affiliated Dietetic Internship Programs Outstanding Alumni Award

The Outstanding Alumni Award is presented annually to one alumnus from each of the dietetic internship programs (Public Health Nutrition Dietetic Internship, Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center Dietetic Internship, University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center Dietetic Internship) affiliated with Case Western Reserve University Department of Nutrition, who has made outstanding contributions in one or more of the following ways:

- Accomplishment in dietetics and in the emphasis area of their program
- Service in local, state, or national professional leadership
- Service in support of dietetics education.

## Eligibility

In order to be eligible, nominees must:

- Have graduated from one of the three ACEND accredited dietetic internships affiliated with the CWRU Department of Nutrition (Public Health Nutrition Dietetic Internship, Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center Dietetic Internship, University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center Dietetic Internship).
- Have at least 5 years of continuous registration as a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist.
- Currently be registered as a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist, or have retired dietitian status.
- Not be a full-time employee of Case Western Reserve University at the time of nomination and/or award-granting.
- Not have previously been recognized with the CWRU-Affiliated DI Outstanding Alumni Award.

## Nomination Process

- Nominations, or self-nominations, may be made at any time throughout the year.
- In order to be considered for awarding in December of a specific year, nominations must be received by 5 pm EST on July 31 of that same year.
- Nominations received after that cutoff will be considered for the next review cycle.
- Nominations MUST be sent to [nutrition@case.edu](mailto:nutrition@case.edu) using the attached form along with a resume/CV and a letter of recommendation.
- Because nominations require a resume/CV, you will likely need to let the nominee know that you are nominating them.
- Letters of recommendation may be written by anyone (except the nominee or members of the award committee) who is able to speak on the nominee's achievement of the award criteria.
- The nominator's identity will not be tied to the nomination form.
- Nominations will be kept on file for 3 review cycles, and will keep the same score each year unless nominators submit updated information by July 31.
- Nominations will be reviewed annually in August by a committee for each program.

## Selection and Recognition

- Only one award will be made per program per year.
- The award winner will be announced in September.
- An award plaque will be formally presented at intern graduation in December of each year.
- Awardees will be invited to graduation to receive their plaque and make a short set of thank you comments, or if unavailable to attend in person will be invited to record an equivalent video address for playback at graduation.
- Awardees are responsible for their own travel costs/arrangements to accept the award in person.

# Case Western Reserve University-Affiliated Dietetic Internship Programs Outstanding Alumni Award Nomination Form

Nominee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name while at CWRU (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Degrees/Credentials: \_\_\_\_\_

Program:                    PHN                    LSCVAMC                    UHCMC

Year first registered as RDN: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please describe the nominee's accomplishments for each category below (each limited to 250 words). Please also attach a resume or CV with the nomination form. A letter of recommendation should also be sent. No other attachments will be reviewed.*

Accomplishment in dietetics

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Accomplishment in current concentration area for program from which they graduated (PHN-public health/community nutrition; UHCMC/LSCVAMC-Research Processes & Applications)

Service in local, state, or national professional leadership

Service in support of dietetics education, particularly the advancement and continued excellence of CWRU affiliated dietetic internship programs.

Submit to [nutrition@case.edu](mailto:nutrition@case.edu) with a cv/resume and letter of recommendation by July 31 for consideration for that year's award.