

### **Call for 2020 Outstanding Graduate Alumni Award Nominations**

The Graduate School Alumni Advisory Board invites nominations for the 2020 Outstanding Graduate Alumni Award. In order to create a substantial pool of nominees and ensure the integrity and prestige of this award the Board is requesting a minimum of one nomination per graduate program. Nominations for the Spring of 2020 will be accepted through November 1, 2019. Graduate Coordinators or their designees may forward nomination materials to the Graduate School throughout the nomination period.

#### **Nomination Criteria**

All nominees must meet the following criteria established by the Graduate School Alumni Advisory Board.

1. The nominee must hold a graduate degree from Eastern Illinois University in a current or former program of graduate study.
2. The nominee is not an employee of Eastern Illinois University at the time of the nomination or within the past three years. An employee is someone who currently holds a faculty, staff, or administrative appointment with the University.
3. The nominee is at least 8-10 years post degree at the time of nomination.
4. The nominee has a well-established record of outstanding achievement in his/her career, has achieved a level of prominence in the position and/or has achieved regional, state, or national recognition for accomplishments or contributions. Programs who nominate retired alumni should show that the nominee had achieved a position of prominence and/or recognition at the time of retirement.

#### **Degree Program Nomination Criteria**

Programs may specify nomination criteria in addition to the criteria established by the Graduate School Alumni Advisory Board. Please summarize the program's nomination criteria so that the Alumni Board will understand how the program selected its nominees.

#### **Nomination Materials**

Each program may make one nomination. Please provide the following nomination materials. Nominations may be forwarded electronically to [lahenderson@eiu.edu](mailto:lahenderson@eiu.edu).

1. Name and Contact Information of the Nominee
2. Year the Graduate Degree was Earned
3. Letter of Recommendation from the Graduate Coordinator or the Coordinator's Designee
4. Curriculum Vitae of the Nominee or Brief Summary of Achievement: If a summary is used, include the current position or position at the time of retirement, distinguished achievements, additional advanced degrees, summary of awards, and related information that distinguishes the nominee.

**Nomination Period:** Nominations for 2020 Outstanding Graduate Alumni Awards will be accepted throughout the nomination period concluding **Friday, November 1, 2019**. Recipients of the award will be recognized in ceremonies scheduled for April 3, 2020

**Assistance:** Coordinators may contact Lori Henderson in the Graduate School for assistance with nominations via email ([lahenderson@eiu.edu](mailto:lahenderson@eiu.edu)) or phone (581-8341).