

Midwest First-Year Champion Award 2017



Presented by the Midwest First-Year Conference Committee

The Midwest First-Year Conference is eager to recognize higher education professionals who exemplify outstanding service and leadership in working with first-year students. This award will be presented at the 2017 Midwest First-Year Conference. The winner will receive a plaque and free conference registration for the 37th Annual Conference on The First-Year Experience in San Antonio, Texas (February 10-13th, 2018).

Criteria:

- The nominee must work in a higher education institution.
- The nominee has contributed to high-impact practices for first-year students and programs.
- The nominee is an advocate for first-year students and has championed the improvement/implementation of first-year services and resources on his or her campus.
- The nominee must be present at the fall 2017 Midwest First-Year Conference (September 29, 2017).

Nomination process:

Nominator must complete the biographical form and submit two letters of support. The first letter should be from a professional colleague and/or supervisor and the second letter should be from a student whom the nominator has influenced.

The biographical form and supporting documents must be e-mailed to the MFYC Committee by August 4, 2017 at mfycplanning@gmail.com.

Questions? Please contact Kerri Langdon (langdonk@kellogg.edu) or Carrie Schade (schade@sxu.edu) for more information.

Please see Biographical Form for criteria to include in the supporting letters. Letters should not exceed 750 words.

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Biographical Form and Nomination Criteria

Nominee Name:

Position: _____

Institution: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Years working in this position: _____

Years working in higher educations: _____

Years serving first-year students: _____

Professional Nominator name:

Position: _____

Institution: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Please submit a supporting letter (maximum of 750 words) that addresses the following:

1. Please describe the nominee's work in regards to new students.
2. How has the nominee been an advocate for first-year students?
3. How has the nominee contributed to high-impact strategies for new students?
4. How has the nominee influenced new student success?

Student Nominator name:

Year: _____

Institution: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Please submit a supporting letter (maximum of 750 words) that addresses the following:

1. How long have you known the nominee and in what capacity?
2. Please describe your knowledge of the nominee's work in regard to new students.
3. How has the nominee been an advocate for you and other first-year students?
4. How has the nominee influenced your success?