



## Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Community Service

### Introduction

The Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Community Service is presented by the Office of Student Life, the Office of Outreach and Engagement and the Office of Service-Learning to recognize students at The Ohio State University who have rendered exceptional outreach and/or engagement within Ohio's communities through their personal commitment to service. This award is given to a graduate student that has truly distinguished themselves through individual community service efforts or efforts made as a member of a group or society. The recipient of this award has made a significant contribution to our institution's culture of service, further establishing and strengthening Ohio State's commitment to supporting the communities we serve.

### Application Process and Requirements

Substantive and detailed information outlining the student's qualifications and reasons for applying or being nominated should be submitted to <http://go.osu.edu/engagementawards> by Feb. 28, 2017. Each application must include:

1. The completed application form
2. The completion of two essay questions by the student regarding a service activity in which he/she has participated.

The essay questions should describe a community service or service-learning activity since January 2016 that illustrates the student's service achievements. Include a description of how the service has affected the community, Ohio State, and the student on a professional level.

### Award Guidelines

The recipient of the Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Community Service will have demonstrated an exceptional record of service to the community. Selection is based on essays written by the student describing how his/her service experience has affected their academic and professional development and demonstrates their contribution to the community.

### Timetable of Activities

**Nominations accepted beginning:** Dec. 20, 2016

**Nomination due:** Feb. 28, 2017

**Award:** May 3, 2017 – award ceremony prior to the annual Patterson Lecture