The U-M Distinguished Diversity Leaders Award

Do you know a person or work team that has demonstrated extraordinary commitment and dedication to diversity at the University of Michigan? Share your story by making a nomination for the inaugural Distinguished Diversity Leaders Award.

The Distinguished Diversity Leaders Award was established to shine a light on those who work toward achieving a welcoming, supportive and inclusive working environment. It is intended to celebrate those who embrace the value of diversity and recognize how it helps set the University apart.

Make a nomination now for individuals or teams. As many as ten individual and five team awards will be made each year. Award winners will receive written recognition and money to use for professional development activities and/or training ($1,000 for individual recipients, $2,500 for team recipients to share).

Who is Eligible?
Active staff members are eligible to be nominated. All active faculty, staff, and students, on all campuses and in the U-M Health System, are eligible to submit nominations.

Please submit a minimum of 500 words describing how the nominee has demonstrated some or all of the following:
- Commitment and dedication to a diverse working environment that is supportive and inclusive
- Specific accomplishments in the field of diversity
- Leadership in diversity matters
- Service dedicated to inclusion
- Contributions to advance the work climate at the University so that all persons are valued and respected
- Work with national and/or state organizations toward the advancement of diversity

Examples of behaviors that fit these criteria include: Active participation on campus diversity councils, presentations and participation at diversity conferences, serving as a diversity resource for co-workers, and creating and implementing innovative ways to further diversity at the University.

How to Make a Nomination
For individual or team nominations, fill out the form on the next page, or fill out the nomination form available at ddlawww.umn.edu/nominate.html

Nominations must be at least 500 words to receive consideration.
Create supporting statement by using MS Word (or a similar program) and perform a word count.

Nomination/Selection Process
Individual and team award nominations will be reviewed by a seven-person selection committee. Committee members will be nominated from within the memberships of the Voices of the Staff Diversity Network and the University Diversity Council and from the staffs of the Office of the Provost and University Human Resources. (Members of the selection committee will not be eligible to receive awards.)
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Fill out this form and attach a statement of 500 words or more on how the nominee meets the award criteria described on page one, then return by mail or fax.

Information about Nominee

Nominee

Title/Department

Campus Address

Work Phone __________________________ or Home Phone __________________________

Information about Nominator

Nominator

Nominator’s E-Mail

Title/Department

Campus Address

Work Phone __________________________ or Home Phone __________________________

You may submit nominations by:

Web: ddia.umich.edu

Fax: (734) 936-8894

Mail: Jennifer Wade, Office for Institutional Equity
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The awards are jointly sponsored by the Office of the Provost and University Human Resources, and reflect our deep and enduring commitment to the value of diversity.