



Memorial International Student Recognition Awards Rules and Regulations

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The awards will all be nominated by the international student body and chosen by a selection committee comprised of 6 representatives from the following groups/ departments on campus:

1 Graduate Students' Union Representative (GSU)
1 Undergraduate Student Representative
1 Representative for the Student Volunteer Bureau
1 Representative from Student Affairs
1 Representative from the International Student Resource Centre (ISC)
1 Representative from the Memorial University students' Union (MUNSU)

Students will have 2 weeks to submit paper nominations and personal statements to MUNSU between the weeks of October 19th to November 5th, 2009.

Voter information will be distributed via the student press and through electronic media. The nominations will be sealed and sent to the selection committee 1 week prior to the awards ceremony and the results will be revealed on the night of the awards.

The People's Choice Award will be carried out via an electronic web vote monitored by MUNSU and accessed by each international student through their Memorial Self Service on Friday 13th of November, 2009.

Awards and Eligibility

All international students at Memorial University are eligible for the awards including work term students and any students who graduated in 2009. Any international student, including work term students and those who graduated in any session of 2009 are eligible to nominate a student for an award. Non international students are not allowed to participate in the nomination process or in the voting of the People's Choice Award.

An international student shall be defined as a student who carries or is in possession of a Canadian study permit and/or a foreign citizenship, other than Canada.

The Awards

1. MISRA for Service to Graduate Students

Description: Awarded to a GRADUATE student for service and support to international students.
Eligibility: Must have been a GRADUATE student for at least 2 consecutive semesters.
Nominated by: all international students
Chosen by: Selection Committee

2. MISRA for Service to the International Student Advising Office (ISA)

Description: Awarded to a GRADUATE or UNDERGRADUATE student for service to the ISA in support of international students.
Eligibility: Must be a second year student or a student who has spent 2 consecutive semesters at MUN
Nominated by: all international students
Chosen by: Selection Committee

3. MISRA for service to international students by a club or society

Description: Awarded to any club or society registered and ratified under the Memorial University students' Union in the period between January 2009 and the present.

Eligibility: Must have shown a marked effort to assist, advocate or support the well-being of international students. The group or society may be made up of non- international students as well.

Nominated by: all international students

Chosen by: Selection Committee

4. MISRA for Volunteering with the ISC (awards)

Description: Awarded to 3 individuals whose constant enthusiasm, professionalism and desire to assist the ISC in its various endeavours has contributed to the success of the centre.

Eligibility: Any student whether international or not who has displayed a genuine interest to support and assist the ISC. These individuals would have worked without any monetary payment. Can be awarded to any student including first year students.

Nominated by: 2 nominated by the ISC Committee and 1 by the president

Chosen by: ISC Committee

5. MISRA Sunshine Award for exceptional service to the ISC

Description: This is awarded to a student, group, society, organisation or public governing body that has exemplified exceptional service towards and in aid of international students

Eligibility: Open to any international or non-international student, group, society, organisation or governing body.

Nominated by: ISC Committee

Chosen by: ISC Committee

6. MISRA for Academic Excellence

Description: Awarded to an international student who has displayed a level of academic excellence.

Eligibility: Students must show that they have attained a high level of academic excellence. Please note that individuals who are eligible must nominate themselves for this award.

Nominated by: individual

Chosen by: Selection Committee

7. MISRA Head of Societies Award for Service to International Students

Description: Awarded to the head of an international student group or society for exceptional leadership within that society.

Eligibility: Recipients must be an international student within a position of leadership within their various group or society.

Nominated by: all international students

Chosen by: selection committee

9. MISRA for service to international students by a non-international student

Description: Awarded to a non-international student for a displayed service to international students

Eligibility: Any non-international student is eligible

Nominated by: all international students

Chosen by: Selection Committee

10. MISRA for International Student leadership (UNDERGRADUATE)

Description: Awarded to an international undergraduate student who has displayed exceptional leadership skills.

Eligibility: Any international student above the first year is eligible and must have displayed a position of leadership with the past year (2009).

Nominated by: all international students

Chosen by: Selection Committee

11. MISRA for International Student leadership (GRADUATE)

Description: Awarded to an international graduate student who has displayed exceptional leadership skills.

Eligibility: Any international student above the first year is eligible and must have displayed a position of leadership with the past year (2009).

Nominated by: all international students

Chosen by: Selection Committee

12. People's Choice Award

Description: This award is nominated by and chosen by international students for any international student. Individuals cannot nominate themselves and those who are nominated will be notified. This award will be conducted through Memorial Self Service via web vote. Nominees must submit 150 words explaining why they should win the award for people's choice. The nominees who receive the top 5 number of nominations will be published in the Muse 1 day before the web vote takes place.

Eligibility: The only criteria are;
(a). Must have been at MUN for 2 consecutive semesters
(b). Must be an international student

Nominated by: all international students other than the person being nominated

Chosen by: all international student via web vote

13. International Student of the Year

Description: This award is awarded to an international student who has displayed a exceptional dedication towards international student issues. The student will be awarded a monetary award towards their tuition fees. Applicants must submit a letter of 200-250 words stating why they should be chosen.

Eligibility: Any international student who has been at MUN for more than 2 consecutive semesters is eligible.

Nominated by: all international students

Chosen by: The selection committee