

2020 APA Public Interest Awards Call for Nominations

The Board for the Advancement of Psychology in the Public Interest (BAPPI) invites nominations for the 2020 APA Public Interest Awards. The deadline for receipt of nomination materials is **June 1, 2019**. Please send all nomination materials listed below to Tiffany Sleek at tsleek@apa.org.

The APA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology in the Public Interest (Senior Career)

APA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Psychology in the Public Interest (Early Career)

APA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Research in Public Policy

The Distinguished Contributions to Psychology in the Public Interest Senior Career Award recognizes an individual whose single extraordinary achievement or a lifetime of outstanding contributions meet one or more of the following criteria: (a) courageous and distinctive contribution(s) in the science or practice of psychology that significantly supports efforts toward a solution to one of the world's intransigent social problems; (b) distinctive and innovative contribution(s) that makes the science and/or practice of psychology more accessible to a broad and diverse population; and (c) an integration of the science and practice of psychology that serves the public interest and advances social justice and human welfare.

The Distinguished Contributions to Psychology in the Public Interest Early Career Award recognizes an individual whose single extraordinary achievement or a lifetime of outstanding contributions meet one or more of the following criteria: (a) courageous and distinctive contribution(s) in the science or practice of psychology that significantly supports efforts toward a solution to one of the world's intransigent social problems; (b) distinctive and innovative contribution(s) that makes the science and/or practice of psychology more accessible to a broad and diverse population; and (c) an integration of the science and practice of psychology that serves the public interest and advances social justice and human welfare. To be eligible for this award, the nominee's terminal degree (generally a doctorate in psychology) must have been conferred no more than 10 years prior to the award year. For the 2020 award, nominees must have received this degree during or since 2010.

The APA Award for Distinguished Contributions to Research in Public Policy will honor an individual who has made a distinguished empirical and/or theoretical contribution to psychological research in public policy, either through a single extraordinary achievement or a lifetime of work dedicated to informing public policy through psychological understanding. Examples of relevant achievements include research leading others to view specific public policies differently; research demonstrating the importance of the application of psychological methods and theory to public policy; or research clarifying the ways scientific knowledge of human behavior informs public policy.

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Each award recipient will receive \$1,000 honorarium, an opportunity to present an invited address at the 2020 APA Convention in Washington, DC and an invitation to submit a paper to the *American Psychologist* on the topic of the address. Honorees will also be granted a waiver of 2020 convention registration fees and reimbursement of up to \$1,500 in expenses related to attendance at the 2020 convention.

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The BAPPI Committee on Public Interest Awards will evaluate each nomination based on the extent to which the nominee has exhibited knowledge and/or experience with the criteria identified in the above description of each award.

Submitting Nominations:

Nomination letters for each of these awards must clearly explain in 500 words or less the basis for the nomination, including a description of how and why the candidate is uniquely qualified to receive the award. The letter must be accompanied by a current copy of the nominee's vita, and letters of support from 3 colleagues who are well-positioned to comment on the distinctiveness of the nominee's contribution(s). Nominees may also submit no more than 3-5 reprints or alternative samples of work (e.g., legal briefs) that best demonstrate the nature of their contribution(s). Nominations and supporting material should be sent to:

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Nomination materials for individuals who are not selected for an award will be carried over for consideration for one additional year in the appropriate award category.