



JMU Alumni Association

2008 Distinguished Alumni Awards

The Alumni Association is accepting nominations for the 2008 Distinguished Alumni Awards, recognizing distinguished service, achievement and teaching by our graduates. Anyone may nominate individuals who best represent the qualities of these awards. Nominations are considered active for three consecutive years. If a nominee is considered, but not selected for three years, their nomination becomes inactive. Nominations may be resubmitted after becoming inactive. Nominees may be nominated for multiple awards, but each must be submitted on a separate nomination form.

The Inez Graybeal Roop Distinguished Alumni Service Award recognizes alumni whose dedication and volunteer commitment have significantly enhanced the goals and mission of the university and the alumni association and/or who have given of themselves for the enrichment of others and the betterment of their communities. All members of the JMU Alumni Association are eligible.

The Ronald E. Carrier Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award recognizes an individual who has excelled in his/her respective field for a minimum of five years and has attained recognition by other professionals or peers as an outstanding, accomplished member of the field. All members of the JMU Alumni Association are eligible.

The JMU Distinguished Alumni Award for Teaching honors the heritage and founding principles of the State Normal and Industrial School for Women at Harrisonburg, now James Madison University. The respected career path of present and past classroom teachers has had a multi-faceted influence on youth. This award to one gifted classroom teacher elevates and honors all JMU teachers for their contribution to society. This award is given to a JMU graduate who is an exemplary classroom teacher, pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade, who has shown by spirit and professionalism to be outstanding in her/his profession. All members of the JMU Alumni Association who are classroom teachers, pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade, with at least five years of teaching experience, are eligible.

Deadline: August 30, 2008

Nominee _____ Class Yr. _____

Home Address _____

Phone (day) _____ (evening) _____

Email _____

Nomination for (please select only one): ___ Roop Award ___ Carrier Award ___ Award for Teaching

Area of Service/Achievement _____

Nomination Submitted By: _____

Nominator Email: _____

Nominator Phone (day) _____ (evening) _____

Required Supporting Materials:

For the Roop and Carrier Awards:

- Description of Qualifications for this Award (Please attach, as appropriate):
 - Résumé/vitae
 - No more than three (3) letters of recommendation
 - Other supporting documents (may include publications, newspaper articles, etc.)

For the Teaching Award

- Further demographic information (submit attached sheet)
- Description of Qualifications for this Award (Please attach as separate document):
 - Narrative Essay (to be completed by nominee)
 - No more than 3 pages
 - Must contain concrete examples of each of the following:
 - Concern for individual student and ability to inspire learning
 - Ability and willingness to work cooperatively with fellow professionals
 - Willingness to devote time and energy to activities that result in improved instruction for children
 - Ability to work effectively with the community
 - Desire to keep abreast of current educational theories and practices
 - Ability and willingness to make contributions to the field of education
 - Examples of innovative practices initiated by nominee
 - Three letters of support
 - May come from superintendent, principal, administrator, colleague, student/former student, parent or civic leader
 - At least one letter must come from a superintendent, principal or other school administrator in current school system, and it is recommended that this letter be from the highest level administrator available.
 - Educational history and professional development activities
 - List educational history, including degrees and certifications earned
 - List teaching employment history
 - List professional association memberships
 - List professional development leadership activities
 - List awards and recognitions earned for teaching

It is essential that the person or organization submitting the nomination(s) send all materials pertinent to the nominee. The Recognition Committee will not do further research.

NO multimedia materials will be considered by the committee

Return your nominations to:

**Alumni Relations Office
James Madison University
2002 Alumni Drive, MSC 4402
Harrisonburg, VA 22807
Fax: (540) 568-3494
E-mail: alumni_link@jmu.edu**

If you have questions, please call Paul Campbell at 540-568-8821 or e-mail campb1pr@jmu.edu

Additional Information for Teaching Award submissions:

School name _____

School address _____

School administrator _____

Phone (day) _____ Email _____

Major subject area (if applicable) _____ Grade level taught _____

Total years of teaching experience _____ Years in present position _____

Number of students _____

School profile (check one on each line) _____ Private _____ Public

 _____ Urban _____ Suburban _____ Rural