



APF Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Application of Psychology

About the American Psychological Foundation

APF provides financial support for innovative research and programs that enhance the power of psychology to elevate the human condition and advance human potential both now and in generations to come.

Since 1953, APF has supported a broad range of scholarships and grants for students and early career psychologists as well as research and program grants that use psychology to improve people's lives.

APF encourages applications from individuals who represent diversity in race, ethnicity, gender, age, disability, and sexual orientation.

About the Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Application of Psychology:

The Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Application of Psychology recognizes a distinguished career and enduring contribution to advancing the application of psychology through methods, research, and/or application of psychological techniques to important practical problems.

Eligibility Requirements

Eligibility is typically limited to psychologists 65 years or older residing in North America.

Gold medalists are selected by peers on the basis of evidence of sustained superior performance which is recognizable at a national (rather than local or regional) level.

The Gold Medal Award for Life Achievement in the Application of Psychology is given to a psychologist whose research has led to important discoveries or developments in the field of applied psychology.

To be eligible, this research should have led to innovative applications in psychology, including but not limited to assessment, consultation, instruction or intervention. Research involving the original development of procedures, methodologies or technical skills that significantly improve the application of psychological knowledge and provide direct solutions to practical



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problems will be considered. Original integration of existing theories or knowledge is also eligible for consideration.

Additional criteria may include:

Distinguished Service: Evidence of distinguished, sustained service in the application of psychology is required.

Achievement of Excellence: Evidence of recognition by other professional/scientific groups of a kind not routinely accorded to all psychologists. All nominees should have excellent overall personal and professional reputations.

Extraordinary Recognition: Evidence of having received national or international recognition from one's colleagues for contributions to the application of psychology.

Significant Contributions: The publication of articles, books, monographs and other writings which have made a demonstrable impact on the application and thinking of colleagues on more than a local basis, in their field of endeavor.

Contributions may be judged distinguished by virtue of peer recognition, advancement of the public's recognition of psychology as a profession, relevant professional association honors, or other meritorious accomplishments denoting excellence as an applied psychology researcher including advancement of the profession.

Nominees should not have received disciplinary action from a state board of examiners in psychology and must have no history of ethical violations at the state or national level.

Nomination Requirements

Nomination letters should indicate the specific Gold Medal Award for which the individual is being nominated and should include the following:

- Nomination statement that addresses the award criteria;
- Nominee's current vita and bibliography;
- Letters in support of the nomination are welcome, but please refrain from sending supplementary materials such as videos, books, brochures, or magazines;
- All nomination materials should be coordinated and collected by a chief nominator and submitted to APF online.



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Submission Process and Deadline

Please submit completed nominations online by **December 1, 2016**.

<http://www.apa.org/apf/funding/gold-medal.aspx>

Questions about this program should be directed to Erin Carney, Program Officer at ecarney@apa.org.

Please be advised that APF does not provide feedback to grant applicants or award nominees on their proposals or nominations.