

NATA Foundation Research Awards Process

Announcements sent out (August & September) to NATA membership regarding nominations being solicited for the following awards (nominations due by October 5):

- Medal for Distinguished Athletic Training Research
- New Investigator Award
- Doctoral Dissertation Award

Nominees are reviewed to ensure they meet eligibility criteria:

- Medal for Distinguished Athletic Training Research (as of Oct. 1 of the nomination year)
 - The nominee must possess a doctoral degree such as PhD, EdD, JD, etc.
 - At least fifteen (15) years must have passed from the date of degree conferral and the nomination deadline.
 - The nominee must be a current NATA member & BOC certified athletic trainer in good standing.
 - Current members of the NATA Foundation Research Committee and Board of Directors are not eligible for consideration for this award.

Submission Process continues

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Nominees are reviewed to ensure they meet eligibility criteria:

- New Investigator Award (as of Oct. 1 of the nomination year)
 - The nominee must have a doctoral degree.
 - The nominee must hold an academic rank no higher than assistant professor for the semester prior to the October nomination.
 - The nominee must be first author on a research publication beyond his/her dissertation.
 - The nominee must be a current NATA member and BOC certified athletic trainer in good standing.
- Doctoral Dissertation Award
 - The nominee should be no more than three (3) years post-conferral of his/her first doctoral degree.
 - The nominee must be the principal author of a published (or accepted for publication) manuscript (the seminal paper) that emanates from his/her dissertation research.
 - The nominee must be a current NATA member and BOC certified athletic trainer in good standing.

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Nominees meeting the eligibility criteria, by the NATA Foundation office, and requested to submit the required materials in early October.

Letters of support are requested from those individuals identified by the nominee by the NATA Foundation office by October 15.

- NOTE: An individual may only submit a single letter of support. Thus, one individual cannot write letters of support on behalf of multiple nominees.

Letters of support along with all other materials requested in the notification of nomination letter are due by November 1

Review Process

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Research Awards materials are to Vice Chair for Awards & Research Committee members for review by November 15

Vice Chair for Awards receives the RC members' preliminary rankings by December 1

Research Committee conference call schedule for first week of December to determine research award winners

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The selection criteria are outlined for each award:

- Medal for Distinguished Athletic Training Research
 - Selection Criteria
 - The nominee must have demonstrated a prolific & sustained body of research in athletic training.
 - The nominee must have demonstrated a focused & productive research career that has advanced theory and significantly impacted the athletic training profession.
 - The following will also be considered:
 - Quality & consistency of work over time
 - Ability to secure funding to support research
 - Sustained level of excellence in a single focused area
 - Clearly demonstrated research independence

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The selection criteria are outlined for each award:

- New Investigator Award
 - The nominee demonstrates the beginning of an independent research trajectory beyond mentor's area of research.
 - The nominee demonstrates activities that enhance competitiveness for securing external funding.
 - The nominee's research should have potential to impact the athletic training profession.
 - The nominee demonstrates a single focused, quality line of research in an area of importance to athletic training.
- Doctoral Dissertation Award
 - The study & dissertation publication should reflect a high level of quality.
 - The dissertation publication should have impact & relevance to athletic training and health care of the physically active.
 - The dissertation publication should indicate future potential for a focused line of research.

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The Research Committee recommends a recipient for each award, in some years no awards are given for certain awards, to the NATA Foundation BOD. Recommendations are made during December Research Committee conference call and then submitted to BOD for consideration at their next meeting.

The NATA Foundation BOD votes on the Research Committee's recommendation.

Upon approval by the NATA Foundation BOD, the Research Committee chair will notify the recipient.

*Thanks for your interest in the
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Research Awards Program!*

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