

Inaugural PSI Member Awards

Overview

The inaugural PSI member awards are designed to recognise excellence in research, practice and education in Psychology by members.

These awards will range from those studying or teaching Psychology to those making significant contributions in their professional careers.

The categories will include:

1. Early Career Psychologists
2. Award for contribution to Research in Psychology
3. Award for contribution to Professional Practice Psychology

This will involve a clear and transparent nominations process with set criteria for adjudication. The adjudication panel will consist of:

- PSI President (*Chair of Adjudication Panel*)
- An Academic Psychologist
- An Early Career Psychologist representative
- A Professional Practice Psychologist

An individual may only be nominated once, and for one award category, in any particular year.

Both the proposer and the seconder of the nomination must be current PSI Members and the Nominee should consent to being nominated.

In addition to the nomination form being completed by the proposer/seconder, letters of support provided by parties other than the nominator may also be submitted.

Winners will be announced and awarded PSI branded and personalised glass awards at the Annual Conference.

Lists of winners with bios and photos will be listed on the PSI website.

Nomination materials should be submitted via email to the Awards Committee Chair at communications@psychologicalsociety.ie

Award for Early Career Psychologists

This award is aimed at Early Career Psychologists in recognition of a demonstrable contribution to the field of Psychology.

Award

The award will confer a commemorative trophy which will be presented to the recipient at the Annual Conference.

Nominees should be:

- A current member of PSI.
- An Early Career Psychologist may range from someone studying Psychology as an undergraduate, masters, Assistant Psychologist on in professional training.
- A nomination may only be made by a current member of PSI.

Criteria:

- Recently been instrumental in the development of an innovative project.
- Improved psychological knowledge and understanding.
- Had a positive impact on individuals, communities or organisations.

Award for Contribution to Research in Psychology

This award is aimed at any Psychologist in recognition of a significant contribution to the field of research in Psychology.

Award

The award will confer a commemorative trophy which will be presented to the recipient at the Annual Conference.

Nominees should be:

- A current member of PSI at any stage of their career as a Psychologist
- A nomination may only be made by a current member of PSI

Criteria:

This award recognises a Member who has made a distinguished contribution to the advancement of psychological research.

This contribution might include demonstrating the importance of the application of scientific methods and psychological theory to public policy, academic knowledge or psychological practice.

Award for Contribution to Professional Practice Psychology

This award is aimed at any Professional Practitioner Psychologists in recognition of a significant contribution to the delivery of Psychological services for the benefit of people, organisations or communities.

Award

The award will confer a commemorative trophy which will be presented to the recipient at the Annual Conference.

Nominees should be:

- A current member of PSI engaged in the professional practice and delivery of psychology.
- A nomination may only be made by a current member of PSI.

Criteria:

This award recognises a member who has made distinguished contributions to delivery of Psychological services to others.

These contributions may include:

- a) Significant contribution to the delivery of Psychological services for the benefit of people and organisations.
- b) The development of new modes of psychological practice (assessment, consultation, training, and direct or indirect interventions).
- c) Psychological contributions to public policy.

Timeline:

1. Nominations will open in July and stay open until end of August.
2. Adjudication will occur in September.
3. A short list of 3 nominees for each category will be established.
4. Those short listed will be notified in October.
5. Winners will be announced at the Annual Conference.

PSI Member Recognition Awards Nomination form

Please complete the following information:

1. **Full name of Nominee**
2. **Nominees PSI Member number**
3. **Contact details for Nominee**
4. **Current title and position of Nominee**
5. **Does the Nominee consent to be nominated?** (Nominees must consent to being nominated in order to be considered for an Award)
6. **Please indicate with an “x” for the Award category for which the individual is being nominated.**

Early Career Psychologists	
Contribution to Research in Psychology	
Contribution to Professional Practice Psychology	

7. **Short resume of nominee** (No more than 300 words)

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8. Please state why you believe this nominee merits a PSI Recognition Award (No more than 500 words)

- Identify the Nominee's achievements and contribution, and why it is outstanding;
- Describe the impact of the Nominee's achievements and contribution relative to the criteria for the selected Award category;
- How does the Nominee's achievements and contribution link with the strategic goals of the PSI.

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9. Please attach two letters of support provided by parties other than the nominee or nominator, not to exceed 200-word limit.

The letters of support may be from individuals external to PSI.
Letters of support must be submitting with the nomination form.

The form and letters of support must be emailed to Awards Committee Chair at communications@psychologicalsociety.ie by 5pm on **Friday, 30 August 2019**.
All nominations will receive an email confirming receipt.

The PSI recognition awards documentation and guidelines should be consulted before completing this nomination form. These are available on the PSI webpage.

Please note:

- Nominees can only be considered for **one** award category in any given year. Please ensure this category is clearly identified in the nomination form.
- Names will **not** be considered by the Awards Committee without a completed nomination form and supporting documentation.
- Nominations will **not** be considered if the nomination is received after the closing date for receipt of nominations.
- Nominations will **not** be considered if the word count is exceeded in any part of the nomination form. Total word count for each section must be included.
- Nominators **must** focus the information provided on the nomination for specifically on the relevant selection criteria.
- Nomination form and letters of support must be submitted as **one PDF document**.
- An acknowledgement email will be sent to the **nominator** upon receipt of the completed nomination form.