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AASP Foundation's annual awards recognize the outstanding contributions of student and professional members whose work advances the knowledge base and enhances the delivery of services to consumers.

Recipients of each award will be officially recognized during the AASP 2024 Annual Conference to be held October 23-26, 2024 in Las Vegas, NV.

If you have any questions about how to submit your application after reading the directions below, please contact AASP at 317-205-9225. All nomination materials and letters of recommendation must be sent to AASP headquarters and received by March 1\* of the award year.

### **Completing the Award Application: Instructions**

The award application/nomination form is a fillable PDF form. It must be downloaded from the AASP website and included as the first page of your award nomination packet.

When you are ready to submit, applicants MUST submit this document, along with any required supporting materials in ONE single attachment PDF file to the AASP office via email at info@appliedsportpsych.org by March 1. **Applications that do not follow guidelines per instructions will not be reviewed.** 

**Description of Awards** 

## Distinguished Public Communication, Awareness and Outreach Award

This award recognizes an AASP member's efforts to promote, raise awareness of the field/ profession, or engage in outreach efforts to non-sport psychology related professional organizations. These efforts could include but are not limited to a book, video, webinar, etc. published in the past year, which made a significant contribution to education and/or practice in an area within the field; or theory, research and/or practice with another professional organization (e.g. NATA, ACSM, ACA, NCAA, etc.)

### **Award Criteria**

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Student or Professional member of AASP.
- 2. Demonstrate engagement in a public communication, awareness or outreach efforts during the previous calendar year. This effort could include but is not limited to:
  - a. Actively involved in sustained sharing of information with another professional organization, such as the National Athletic Trainers' Association, the American College of Sports Medicine, the American Counseling Association, etc.
  - b. First author of the contribution (book/video/webinar/other source). Resource made a significant contribution to education and/or practice within the discipline.
  - c. Other public outreach, awareness or outreach efforts that serve to elevate or raise awareness of the sport psychology field/profession.

### **Submission Guidelines**

Any AASP member may nominate (or self-nominate) an AASP member for this award.

The nomination materials should include:

- 1. A nomination letter. This may be in the form of a self-statement if self-nominating.
- 2. Up to four letters of support from a variety of references, including at least one from a professional in the field of sport and exercise psychology noting the impact of the member's work.
  - a. Nomination letter and support letters should include detailed information about the members efforts to promote, and engage in outreach efforts to raise awareness of the field, as well as the contribution and significance of these efforts on the field/profession (e.g., number of copies sold, social media engagement, responses to efforts by other organizations etc.)
  - b. Each letter for support may be no more than two (2) pages single-spaced.
- 3. Submission of a resume/curriculum vitae is required.

A three-person subcommittee from the AASP Foundation, including at least one AASP student member, will review the application(s).

A plaque, cash award of \$250 (paid by AASPF) and waiver of the conference registration fee for that year's conference (paid by AASPF) will be awarded at the Annual Conference.

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## **Distinguished Applied Practitioner Award**

This award is designated for applied sport psychology practitioners who demonstrate excellence and longevity in the field. The purpose is to recognize those individuals who are established and thriving within the field of applied sport psychology. Although similar, this award is different to the Dorothy Harris Memorial Award: (a) a doctorate is not required; (b) it is for practitioners who have been in the field for a minimum of 15 years post-graduation; and, (c) a demonstration of traditional scholarship is not required, though examples of engaging in the scientist-practitioner framework is welcomed. Applicant practitioners may be creative about how they demonstrate "excellence" in the field.

### **Award Criteria**

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Professional member of AASP. Minimum of 15 years post-graduation from last degree.
- 2. Be an active CMPC®.
- 3. Exhibited excellence and longevity in applied sport psychology practice. Longevity may include but not be limited to: having a strong history of applied practice, an established and consistent private practice, long-term involvement in applied practice within performance settings, etc.

### **Submission Guidelines**

Any AASP member may nominate (or self-nominate) an AASP member for this award.

The nomination materials should include:

- Detailed information about the person's work within applied sport psychology practice. This may include a self-statement and up to two statements of support from others knowledgeable about member's engagement and longevity in applied practice, etc.
- 2. Submissions may be no more than two (2) pages single-spaced.
- 3. Submission of a resume/curriculum vitae is required.

A plaque and cash award of \$250 (paid by AASPF) will be awarded at the Annual Conference.

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## **Early Career Applied Practitioner Award**

The award is designated for sport psychology practitioners who have recently entered into the applied field post-graduation. The purpose is to support those early in their career, a time that is often marked by financial instability as well as to recognize the difficulty of starting a new practice.

### **Award Criteria**

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Professional member of AASP.
- 2. Be an Early Career Practitioner (ECP), within seven years of obtaining her/his doctoral degree (or master's degree with no intention of pursuing a doctoral degree).
- 3. Have exhibited excellence in applied sport psychology practice

### Submission Guidelines

Any AASP member may nominate (or self-nominate) an AASP member for this award.

The nomination materials should include:

- 1. Detailed information about the person's work within applied sport psychology.
- 2. Submissions may be no more than two (2) pages single-spaced.
- 3. Submission of a resume/curriculum vitae is required.

A plaque and cash award of \$250 (paid by AASPF) will be awarded at the Annual Conference.

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## Kate F. Hays Distinguished Mentor Award

The Kate F. Hays Distinguished Mentor Award recognizes the outstanding efforts by an AASP member as a mentor/supervisor who has had a significant impact on their mentee(s in the field. The recipient receives a \$250 cash award, a waived AASP Annual Conference registration fee in the year of the award, and a plaque presented at the conference.

### **Award Criteria**

Nominees must meet the following four criteria:

- 1. Professional member of AASP.
- 2. Be an active CMPC®.
- 3. Have significantly impacted the professional work and personal development of mentee(s) as illustrated in testimonial letters.
- 4. Nominees will generally be individuals who have been teaching/working/mentoring/ supervising in the field for many years, but it is possible that early career professionals could meet the spirit of the award and will certainly be considered.

### **Submission Guidelines**

An AASP member or group of AASP members who are students or professionals may nominate a mentor for this award. The nomination materials include:

- Detailed information about the mentor and the scope and significance of his/her mentoring of students or professionals within sport and exercise psychology (and potentially beyond).
- Submissions may be no more than two (2) pages single-spaced.
- A maximum of four (4) supplemental letters from mentees may be added in an Appendix.

A five-person subcommittee from the AASP Foundation, including at least one AASP student member, will review the application(s).

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## Student/Early Career Professional Science-Practitioner Award

This award will be given to a student or early career professional AASP member (ECP is within 2 years of receiving doctoral degree), who has demonstrated excellence in both the science of applied sport psychology (as evidenced by presentations and/or publications) as well as the practice of applied sport psychology (as evidenced by work in a variety of applied exercise and/or sport settings) in areas related to sport, exercise and performance psychology and/or areas relevant to critical sociocultural (e.g. diversity, equity, inclusion) or public health issues (e.g. concussions, physical inactivity, bullying, etc.). Students/ECPs may self-nominate or be nominated by colleagues and/or mentors.

### **Award Criteria**

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Student or Early Career Professional (ECP) member of AASP.
- 2. Have demonstrated excellence in both the science and practice of applied sport psychology in areas within applied sport psychology relevant to SEP psychology, critical socio-cultural or public health issues.

### **Submission Guidelines**

Any AASP member may nominate (or self-nominate) an AASP student member for this award.

The nomination materials should include:

- 1. Detailed information about the person's work within the science and practice of applied sport psychology.
- 2. Submissions may be no more than two (2) pages single-spaced.
- 3. Submission of a curriculum vitae is required.

A three-person subcommittee from the AASP Foundation, including at least one AASP student member, will review the application(s).

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## **Teaching Excellence Award**

The Teaching Excellence Award was developed to acknowledge exceptional classroom educators in the field of sport, exercise, and performance psychology. This award is given to recognize a member of AASP who demonstrates teaching excellence and advances the field/profession of sport psychology through teaching.

### **Award Criteria**

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Professional or student member of AASP.
- 2. Be a faculty member, adjunct, or graduate student with a workload consistent for their institution and position but whose primary role includes being actively involved in sustained teaching activities.
- 3. Demonstrate a clear and consistent commitment to student learning, course innovation, and/or collaboration with other educators.

### **Submission Guidelines**

Any AASP member may nominate (or self-nominate) an AASP member for this award. The nomination materials should include:

- At least three letters of support; no more than five letters may be submitted. The letters of support should include:
  - At least one letter from a colleague (e.g., a teaching peer) who can speak to their teaching performance;
  - At least one letter from a Department Chair or other colleague within the institution (e.g., program director or Dean) who can offer additional commentary on the applicant's commitment to student success and course innovation, and confirm that the applicant's primary role includes being actively involved in sustained teaching activities; and,
  - The remaining letter(s) could include support letters from current/former students.

These letters should demonstrate and include detailed information about the person's sustained involvement in teaching activities, effectiveness of teaching, demonstrate their commitment to student success and course innovation, and highlight their willingness to go above and beyond for the students whom they serve.

Each letter for support may be no more than two (2) pages single-spaced.

Submission of a resume/curriculum vitae is required.

A three-person subcommittee from the AASP Foundation, including at least one AASP student member, will review the application(s).

A plaque, cash award of \$250, and waiver of the conference registration fee for that year's conference (paid by AASPF) will be awarded at the Annual Conference.