

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Engaged Scholar Award – Community Partner

Thanks to the efforts of engaged students, staff, faculty, and community partners, Concordia University enjoys a long-standing reputation as a socially-conscious university, committed to community engagement in its teaching, research, and service activities.

The Engaged Scholar Awards recognize one student, one faculty member, and one community partner, for exemplary community-engaged scholarship over the current and previous academic year. Community engaged-scholarship is the collaboration between academics and individuals or organizations outside the academy, in the context of partnership and reciprocity. It can involve generating, validating, synthesizing, or applying knowledge at the local, regional, national or global level. Community is broadly defined to include non-profit organizations, social enterprises, governmental agencies, and institutions.

Eligibility

Concordia students, staff, and faculty members may nominate a current community partner who has collaborated with the university for at least 3 years. The engaged scholarship activities in question must have been undertaken in the current and/or previous academic year.

The nominee must be a non-profit organization, social enterprise or public institution. Self-nomination is not allowed.

Selection Criteria

- Impact on community-engaged scholarship: How has the community partner's involvement proven essential to the academic objectives of students and/or faculty? What insights and resources have they contributed?
- Preference will be given to community partners who have significantly advanced a scholarly agenda through their ongoing commitment.

Nomination Process

- Complete the nomination form online: <u>http://goo.gl/LnhQMw</u>
- Submit a letter (2 pages) that details the ways in which the community partner has collaborated with a Concordia student or faculty member in realizing their teaching, learning, and/or research objectives.

Please submit letters and questions to Community Relations Coordinator at: **communityengagement@concordia.ca**

The nomination will not be considered complete until both the online application form and the letter of support are received.



Selection Process

All nominations will be reviewed by a selection committee coordinated by the Office of Community Engagement.

Recognition

All nominators will be notified by email regarding the outcome of the selection process.

Only one community partner will be selected to receive an Engaged Scholar Award at Concordia's annual CCSL/Volunteer/Engaged Scholar Awards ceremony on Thursday, April 14, 2016.

The recipient will be presented with a commemorative gift and \$1,000.00 towards their organization.

Nomination deadline

All nomination materials must be received by February 12, 2016 at 5pm.