

HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (HBCU) ALUMNI ALLIANCE IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR HBCU ALUMNI AWARDS

The Washington, D.C. Metro HBCU Alumni Alliance, Inc. is seeking nominations for its 1st Annual Historically Black Colleges and Universities Alumni Awards, created to honor alumni who have excelled in their respective careers, making a profound impact in the Washington, D.C. community. Winners will be recognized at the Alliance's Inaugural Soiree and Cocktail Reception Friday, September 8, 2017, at the National Museum of Women in the Arts. This commemorative event will bring together the HBCU community, public and private sectors as well as elected officials to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of HBCU graduates. **To that end, HUAC-GWDC is requesting that any of our members, who meet the criteria established by the Alumni Alliance and who want to be considered for an award, submit documentation to the HUAC-GWDC web site- howardualumniclubgwdc@gmail.com.** Submission deadline for HUAC-GWDC members is Friday, May 5, 2017. Below are the explanation for the award and the criteria for selection.

It is the responsibility of the HUAC-GWDC member to choose the area for which he/she seeks recognition. Please submit under only one of the criteria. The following are the areas of consideration:

- **Education:** Professors, Researchers, Education Professionals and S.T.E.A.M. Professionals
- **Business:** Senior Management, Presidents, Vice Presidents, and Entrepreneurs
- **Public Policy:** Legislative Leadership of Private and Public Sector Policymakers, Government Officials, Council and Board Members, Jurisdictional Leaders
- **Media/Communications:** Print and Media Professionals and Journalists in Radio, Television, Social Media, Print Publications
- **Community Involvement:** Community programming for citizens and/or youth, and volunteerism
- **Young Alumni:** A recent graduate for notable career achievements and/or community service.

Awards Criteria

Nominees should be individuals whose efforts, work and records of service have had an impact on the infrastructure of community at national, state and/or local levels. All nominees must meet the criteria listed below:

1. Have attended one of the nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities for at least two semesters. Note: Nominees in the Young

- Alumni category must have received his/her undergraduate degree within five years of his/her award;
2. Be an active and involved member of a local alumni chapter or has contributed towards the growth and development of the institution;
 3. Have obtained high levels of achievement in his/her profession;
 4. Have demonstrated good character and outstanding citizenship on a local, state or national level; **and**
 5. Be a resident of the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area.

Nominees

Please provide a brief detailed personal description and state clearly why you should be recognized for your contribution to the Washington, DC metro community and your university. Your description should be clear and concise. Include the following in this order: School Name, Your Name, Work/Professional Title, E-mail address/contact information, and a brief statement about how you meet the awards criteria, your accomplishments and why you should be nominated. Only one nominee per category will be accepted by the HBCU Alumni Alliance.

- **Education:** Professors, Researchers, Education Professionals and S.T.E.A.M. Professionals ▪ Veteran teacher (minimum 6 years) ▪ Significant educational impact on students, school, or community ▪ Received recognition from school/community/organization ▪ Peer Reviewed Research and publications
- **Business:** Senior Management, Presidents, Vice Presidents, and Entrepreneurs ▪ Leadership in promoting diversity ▪ Creating opportunities for HBCU Alumni/graduates ▪ Business leader who has provided a positive social or community impact ▪ Minimum 6 years in their business field
- **Public Policy:** Legislative Leadership of Private and Public Sector Policymakers, Government Officials, Council and Board Members, Jurisdictional Leaders ▪ Leader who has made outstanding contributions in advancing public policy that serves the interest underserved communities ▪ Leadership in promoting diversity in government ▪ Minimum 6 years in in field of public policy
- **Media/Communications:** Print and Media Professionals and Journalists in Radio, Television, Social Media, Print Publications ▪ A person who used their platform for social awareness ▪ Minimum 6 years in media/communications field ▪ Leadership in promoting diversity in the media and communications arena ▪ Notable achievements and/or noteworthy successes in media/communications ▪ Creating opportunities for HBCU Alumni/graduates
- **Community Involvement:** Community programming for citizens and/or youth, and volunteerism ▪ Consistent outreach and service to disadvantaged and underserved members of the community ▪ Involvement in multiple facets of community development (e.g., health, social justice) ▪ Minimum of 6

- years of community involvement
- **Young Alumni:** A recent graduate with notable career achievements and/or community service ▪ Recent graduate (5 years or less) of an HBCU ▪ Significant contributions to their alma mater ▪ Significant contributions to their alumni chapter ▪ notable career achievements and/or community service

Deadline for submission is Friday, May 5, 2017, 11:59 pm. Please submit the information to howardualumniclubgwdc@gmail.com. **In the subject line, please type your name and Alumni Alliance Award Submission.**

The HBCU Alumni Alliance was formed in 2012 to support the mission of HBCU's by increasing the membership of participating alumni chapters; collaborating on philanthropic efforts; and promoting a higher awareness of HBCU opportunities among underprivileged, minority high school students. The nonprofit started out with just four charter members, and it has now grown to comprise more than 47 local alumni HBCU chapters. For additional information, please contact Sam Washington at communications@dchbdc.org. Tickets to the soiree are available online at www.dchbdc.org.