

Alumni Achievement Award Criteria

PURPOSE

1. To identify, recognize, and publicize high-achieving alumni with the goal of strongly affiliating them with the school and preparing them for future volunteer leadership roles at ISB.
2. To stimulate greater activity and identity between prominent young alumni and the school, community, particularly students, faculty, and administration.
3. To add a dimension to the core academic curriculum not otherwise available in the traditional classroom through close contact among prominent young alumni, students, faculty, administrators, and staff.
4. To provide an additional means of recognizing underrepresented alumni constituencies.
5. To demonstrate, particularly to students, that ISB alumni can succeed in exceptional fashion at an early age; that it does not necessarily take a lifetime to make one's mark on society.
6. To position the ISB Alumni Association in the public eye as an organization devoted to serving alumni of all ages, not just alumni of maturity.

THE PROGRAM

The Alumni Achievement Award is designed to enable the recipients – alumni of extraordinary professional accomplishment – to return to campus to lend their expertise, insight, and experience to students, community, faculty, and administrators through formal and informal interactions. The purpose of the visit is to lend the benefit of the Alumni Achievement Award recipient's knowledge, experience, and insight to the specific academic unit and stimulate thought, discussion, debate, and action in the process.

All recipients are expected to attend the Grade 10 Pathways event and participate in the academic life of the school/campus. School/campus participation will be a matter of decision for the respective head of department and the faculty. The Alumni Association will refrain from dictating a format; it is recommended, however, that the academic unit will plan an itinerary involving the award recipient in the aforesaid contexts to provide robust opportunities for exposure and interaction during their visit. The Alumni Achievement Award recipient should be an individual whose professional accomplishments have broad appeal to the students and faculty of that academic unit and, when possible, to the school as a whole.

PROCEDURES

1. Nominations for the Alumni Achievement Award – which should be made without the nominee's awareness or assent – are to be submitted by community by the last day of February in the academic year. Additionally, the ISB Alumni Association reserves the right to identify and recommend worthy candidates to the appropriate departments. To ensure a uniform standard of excellence among the recipients, the selection committee will make the final determinations from the field of nominees. The selection committee, chaired by the alumni relations manager of the ISB Alumni Association, will include the Head of School, the Director of Advancement, two rotating members of the board, two rotating representatives from the academic leadership faculty, two rotating representatives from the alumni, two rotating representatives from the parents, two rotating representatives from student council, and others as may be deemed necessary.

2. The Alumni Achievement Award recipient's participation in the academic life of the academic unit will be a matter of decision for the respective academic leadership faculty. The Alumni Association will refrain from dictating a format; it is recommended, however, that the school/campus will plan a full itinerary involving the Achiever in the aforesaid contexts to provide robust opportunities for exposure and interaction. All recipients are to attend the Grade 10 Pathways event and participate in the academic life of the unit.

3. The schoolwide recognition ceremony/event will be handled by the Alumni Association. In all cases, the Alumni Association will be apprised in advance of the agenda for the Achiever's visit. Expenses for international travel for one Alumni Achievement Award recipient will be considered by the school.

4. An invitation to the Alumni Achievement Award recipient comes from the Head of School, Director of Advancement, and Alumni Relations Manager.

5. The Alumni Relations Manager is the overall coordinator for the program and works with each head of department and the faculty.