



College of Agriculture  
2020 Distinguished Agriculture Alumni Award

**Background**

The Purdue University Distinguished Agriculture Alumni Award was created in 1992. Each year, ten or fewer alumni are selected to receive the award. The selection committee is comprised of the Dean of Agriculture, associate deans, assistant dean for multicultural programs, academic department heads and unit directors. The Office of the Dean of Agriculture administers the program.

**Criteria**

Nominees must:

- ◆ have a degree from Purdue University College of Agriculture (associate, bachelor's, master's and/or doctorate)
- ◆ have made a significant contribution to his/her profession and/or society in general
- ◆ have a record of outstanding personal and professional accomplishments
- ◆ exhibit high potential for future professional growth, particularly positions of greater responsibility, and service to his/her profession and to society

*Current Purdue Agriculture employees and past recipients of an Honorary Doctorate from Purdue are not eligible for nomination.*

**Nomination Document**

*Please use the enclosed cover sheet with your nomination document.*

The nomination document should include the following **biographical information** about the nominee (a current CV or resume would be appropriate but not required):

- ◆ current position
- ◆ education (institution(s), graduation date(s), degree(s))
- ◆ professional positions held/professional accomplishments/farm and business accomplishments if self-employed
- ◆ professional, civic, and service activities and contributions
- ◆ awards
- ◆ any other information germane to the nomination

**Support Statement**

In no more than 2 pages (1" margins, Calibri font 11) describe why you feel this nominee merits the distinguished alumni award. Please include information about the nominee, such as:

- ◆ outstanding personal qualifications
- ◆ details about how the individual's contributions have changed or are changing his/her chosen profession
- ◆ examples of professional, civic, and/or service accomplishments and contributions

*Nominations are automatically considered for three years from the year of original submission. Nominator may update and resubmit the nomination after the first year if he or she prefers.*

**Recognition Ceremony**

The award recognition is **Friday, March 13, 2020**. *Individuals selected must be in attendance to receive the award.*

**Nomination Deadline**

Nominations are due by **5:00 p.m. Monday, September 23, 2019**. Each department may only submit two (2) nominations. Please provide the nomination documents to include the cover sheet, support statement, and biographical information electronically to Rebeka Frakes at [rhersked@purdue.edu](mailto:rhersked@purdue.edu) or to Purdue Agriculture, Office of the Dean, 615 W. State Street, West Lafayette IN 47907-2053.