Recognition

Each Presidential Awardee receives a certificate signed by the President of the United States and a $10,000 award from NSF. Awardees are honored at an award ceremony in Washington, D.C. Additional events may include professional development opportunities and discussions with policymakers about how to improve STEM education. There is no fixed annual date for the award announcement or for scheduling the recognition ceremony.

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Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring



Improving STEM Education and Careers Through Mentoring



The Highest National Mentoring Award Bestowed by the White House

The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring (PAESMEM) recognize those who have made significant contributions to mentoring and support the future of the U.S. Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) workforce. The program was created to honor individuals and organizations that have enhanced the participation of individuals who might not otherwise have considered or had access to STEM disciplines and professions.

Over 310 individuals and organizations have received this distinguished Presidential recognition, serving as exemplars to their colleagues and leaders in the national effort to develop more fully the nation's human resources in STEM.

The PAESMEM community's exemplary mentoring accomplishments reinforce the efforts of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) to engage the public in making noteworthy contributions to the development of the STEM enterprise.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR NOMINATION

Individual Applicants

An Individual Applicant Must:

- work in industry, academia, primary or secondary education, military, non-profit organizations, foundations, or government (Nominees may be federal government employees except for those identified in the U.S. Code Title 5);
- have at least five years of sustained, exceptional mentoring with demonstrated impact on individuals historically underrepresented in STEM;
- be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident;
- not be the applicant of a current organizational submission;
- not have received the PAESMEM award as an Individual applicant in any prior competition; and
- not have received the PAESMEM award as an Organizational applicant in the past 10 years.

Organizational Applicants

An Organizational Applicant Must:

- be affiliated with a U.S. educational institution or agency, corporation, foundation, military or government agency, or not-for-profit organization. The Organizational applicant may be a mentoring program or activity within an organization;
- have at least five years of sustained, exceptional mentoring with demonstrated impact on individuals historically underrepresented in STEM;
- not be a current Individual applicant; and
- not have received the PAESMEM award as an Organizational applicant in the past 10 years.

Who May Nominate

Anyone can nominate an exceptional STEM mentor or mentoring organization for the PAESMEM award. Self-nominations are also eligible for consideration.

