



Awards Criteria:

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Student Staff Member of the Year	It's not just staff that provide services here at the University. This award recognises those students who have positive manner towards their work and go above and beyond to provide outstanding service. Those students within departments, hospitality, accommodation, sports centre and any COVID support roles can be recognised.
Lecturer of the Year	Awarded to a lecturer who makes a significant contribution to the academic experience of students, whether inspiring students with a passion for the subject, energising the lecture room or going above and beyond to make your classes engaging. This person will epitomise what it means to have an Aberystwyth University education.
Support/Service Staff Member of the Year	Your university experience isn't just confined to your lectures. This award recognises those members of the university community who provide outstanding support or enhance your experiences outside of the classroom. This might be a staff member who provided you with wellbeing support, a member of security who helped with an issue late at night or friendly hospitality staff serving your food and drink.
Academic Representative of the Year	This award recognises an Academic Representative who has been consistently active throughout the year. They effectively voice the opinions of all students on their course, regularly attend SSCCs, feed-back information to their peers and demonstrate great organisational and interpersonal skills.

Student Volunteer of the Year	Awarded to an individual whose volunteering has had a clear and tangible impact on their group, project or cause. They will have shown a high level of commitment and be a positive role model for student volunteering and AberSU.
Student Mentor of the Year	This award recognises the important role of mentors in supporting students and helping inspire and motivate them throughout their course. Good mentors demonstrate empathy with their mentees, provide an environment that encourages questions and have knowledge of their department and a range of university services.
Supervisor of the Year	Awarded to an undergraduate or postgraduate supervisor who gives outstanding supervision as part of a project, dissertation or thesis. This may be by providing motivation, feedback and exceptional guidance that helps to provide clear direction for your work. They may also inspire passion for your area of study, promoting opportunities for professional development or further research.
Department of the Year	This category recognises a department (or Institute) which makes exceptional positive contributions to the academic experience of its students. Staff work together to provide a welcoming environment and a high standard of learning, teaching and support. It recognises a department that students are proud to be part of.
Hyrwyddwr Iaith Gymraeg (Welsh Language Champion)	This award acknowledges those members of staff across all departments and roles who make the Welsh language and cultural experience of Aberystwyth University 'da iawn'. They champion Welsh in everything they do and inspire students to take Welsh further.
Postgraduate Teacher of the Year	It's not just lecturers who positively impact upon your academic experience. Many postgraduates take on teaching responsibilities in addition to their full-time study. This award recognises a postgraduate student who makes an outstanding contribution when teaching, leading a seminar or demonstrating.
Personal Tutor of the Year	This award recognises a personal tutor who is passionate about helping students and ensuring their time at university is the best it can be. This member of staff provides excellent levels of pastoral care, support and guidance.

Open Category Award

This award can recognise both staff and students for any positive contribution or impact they have made towards to University, Students' Union and/or students' experience. Nominations for this award should clearly explain and give examples as to the reason why the individual should be recognised.

Examples of positive impact or contribution could be through through campaigning, careers advice, wellbeing support and/or providing creative online or in-person opportunities to further enhance your time here at Aberystwyth.