



Award	Criteria
<p><b>Student Staff Member of the Year</b></p>	<p>This award celebrates <b>students</b> who, alongside their studies, take on staff roles within the University or Students' Union. Whether working in hospitality, accommodation, departments, the Sports Centre, or Undeb services, these students demonstrate professionalism, positivity, and a commitment to delivering excellent service. They go above and beyond in their roles, making a real difference to the teaching, learning and student experience.</p> <p>Students and staff can nominate <b>students</b> for this award.</p>
<p><b>Lecturer of the Year</b></p>	<p>Awarded to a <b>lecturer</b> 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.</p> <p>Students can nominate <b>staff</b> for this award.</p>
<p><b>Support/Service Staff Member of the Year</b></p>	<p>Your university experience isn't just shaped by lectures and seminars. This award recognises <b>any member of staff</b>, in any role across the University, who provides outstanding support or helps enhance your experience outside of the classroom. It could be a wellbeing advisor who supported you through a difficult time, or a member of the hospitality team who always goes the extra mile to make you feel welcome.</p> <p>Students can nominate <b>staff</b> for this award.</p>
<p><b>Academic Representative of the Year</b></p>	<p>This award recognises an <b>Academic Representative</b> who has been consistently active throughout the year. They work on behalf of their cohort to ensure the student voice is heard, gathering and representing the opinions of all students on their course. They not only feed back information clearly but also take action to close the loop, making sure students see the impact of their feedback. Through this, they demonstrate outstanding organisational and interpersonal skills while enhancing the student learning experience.</p> <p>Students and staff can nominate <b>students</b> for this award.</p>

<b>Student Volunteer of the Year</b>	<p>Awarded to a <b>student</b> 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 Undeb Aber.</p> <p>Students and staff can nominate <b>students</b> for this award.</p>
<b>Supervisor of the Year</b>	<p>Awarded to an undergraduate or postgraduate <b>supervisor</b> 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.</p> <p>Students can nominate <b>staff</b> for this award.</p>
<b>Department of the Year</b>	<p>This category recognises a <b>department (or Institute)</b> 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.</p> <p>Students can nominate <b>departments</b> for this award.</p>
<b>Pencampwr Diwylliant Cymreig (Welsh Culture Champion)</b>	<p>This award acknowledges those <b>members of staff</b> 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.</p> <p>Students can nominate <b>students and staff</b> for this award.</p>
<b>Personal Tutor of the Year</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>Students can nominate <b>staff</b> for this award.</p>
<b>Commitment to Student Employability Award</b>	<p>This award recognises the efforts of a <b>staff member</b> who has shown exceptional commitment to enhancing student employability by fostering personal and professional growth. This could include engaging in career discussions, promoting diverse opportunities such as volunteering or part-time work, assisting with job applications, or helping you understand and apply your skills and strengths.</p> <p>Students can nominate <b>staff</b> for this award.</p>
<b>Accessibility &amp; Inclusion Champion</b>	<p>This award celebrates a student or staff member who champions accessibility, inclusion, and equality across the University. The recipient works to break down barriers, promote fairness, and create a welcoming environment for all. This might include supporting neurodivergent peers, fostering belonging among international</p>

	<p>students, empowering liberation groups, or leading other acts of advocacy and support. Whether through events, campaigns, initiatives, or everyday actions, their efforts ensure that everyone has the opportunity to thrive academically, socially, and culturally.</p> <p>Students can nominate <b>students or staff</b> for this award.</p>
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