2020 Salute to Student Affairs Award Descriptions

Young Professional of the Year

This award is given to an individual with 1-3 years of experience in their career. They have exceeded the responsibilities of their position and excelled in presentations, publications, and/or programming with professionalism beyond their years.

New Employee of the Year

This award recognizes an individual who have been in the Division of Student Affairs at the College of Charleston for less than two years. They have given exemplary service to the Division and to the students and have truly “hit the ground running,” making a positive impact on their department, the Division, and/or on campus.

Outstanding Support Staff

This award recognizes administrative support staff whose job is to maintain the everyday operations of their department and/or the Division. They assist departments, students, and the campus as a whole and make a positive impact on everything they do.

Excellence in Programming

This award is given to an individual, department, series of programs, or specific program for creating and implementing exemplary events. This award is given based on the success and/or impact of the nominated programs on campus. It is given to the individual, group of individuals, or program that has exceeded expectations in the interest of our students.

Unsung Hero Award

This award recognizes behind-the-scenes individuals who consistently and effectively perform their duties in a manner that enhances the work environment for others. They go above and beyond their job responsibilities to support the mission of their department and the Division, yet they seem to never openly seek recognition or credit.

Administrator of the Year

This award recognizes any professional staff who has consistently gone beyond expectations. This person has been a role model for other staff members and their department. The recipient of this award is dedicated to service, support, and collaboration. They set the tone for those around them and consistently exhibit strong leadership.
Outstanding Campus Collaboration

This award is given to an individual or department that has worked collaboratively with other departments on campus within or outside the Division. This individual or department is constantly finding new and innovative ways to work with others outside their department with the goals of providing students with quality service and fostering positive relationships on campus.

George Haborak Award for Professional Development.

This award recognizes an individual who has gone above and beyond in their own personal professional development. This could include, but is not limited to, publications, holding a leadership position in a professional organization or association, grant writing, teaching, or research.

Victor K. Wilson Service to Students Award

This award is given to an individual who demonstrates a student-centered approach of advocacy and empowerment to provide exemplary service to College of Charleston students. This award may also be given to someone who consistently inspires individuals or student organizations to go beyond normal expectations to accomplish goals, institute change, or make a difference.