

Seinfeld Scholar Award Program

Nomination and Review Process

For years when students are to be considered (including 2017-2018)

Students completing their undergraduate degrees during the calendar year in which the award is made (i.e., May, August, or December 2018 for an award made in April 2018) can be nominated for the Seinfeld Scholar award. Any faculty member familiar with the student's work may nominate; students cannot self-nominate. The nomination letter should address the nominee's work and describe how the nominee focuses on the overall goal and intent of the award. Nomination letters should be accompanied by a sample of the student's work, which exemplifies the award's intent (or provide a URL for the same).

A committee of faculty and previous Seinfeld Scholars review student nominations and recommend graduating seniors for the honor. Student nominees are not required to make a presentation of their work nor to appear before the selection committee. The committee forwards its recommendation to the Chancellor who makes the final selection.

Letters of nomination should be addressed to the review committee in care of LaVonda N. Reed, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs. Nomination packets, which include nomination letter, brief biographical sketch, and sample student work should be delivered in hard copy to 503 Crouse-Hinds Hall and provided electronically by email to Sharon Alestalo at swalesta@syr.edu. In years when a student is to receive the award, nomination letters are due on the last Thursday of January. For 2017-2018, nomination letters are due January 25, 2018.

For years when faculty are to be considered (including 2018-2019 and 2019-2020)

Faculty may be nominated by their respective dean, or by their associate dean, department chair or program director with the dean's concurrence. Faculty cannot self-nominate. The nomination letter should address the nominee's work and describe how the nominee focuses on the overall goal and intent of the award. Nomination letters should be accompanied by a CV.

A committee of distinguished members of the University faculty review faculty nominations. Finalists for a faculty award make a brief presentation of their work and engage in follow-up discussion with committee members including a short list of general questions and questions specific to the nominee's work. The committee forwards its recommendation to the Chancellor who makes the final selection.

Letters of nomination should be addressed to the review committee in care of LaVonda N. Reed, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs. Nomination packets, which include nominee's CV, nomination letter, and letter of concurrence of the dean should be delivered in hard copy to 503 Crouse-Hinds Hall and provided electronically by email to Ms. Sharon Alestalo at swalesta@syr.edu. Nomination packets for faculty nominees are due December 1 (or the Friday before December 1, if the deadline occurs on a weekend).