

## DESCRIPTION

The annual Australian Alumni Awards provides an opportunity to recognise and celebrate the significant achievements of Alumni members who have graduated from any Australian University or other Australian institute of higher learning and whose endeavors reflect the best of Australian education and Australian Alumni.

## AWARD CATEGORIES

### 1. Australian Embassy Bangkok - Alumni of the Year Award

Open to individuals who have demonstrated excellence in their professional career and/or through charitable activities.



Australian Embassy  
Bangkok

#### Guiding criteria:

- Has established themselves as an outstanding leader in their chosen profession and/or philanthropic field
- Has made a positive contribution to society either locally, internationally or in Australia and/or Thailand
- Has applied their Australian education to help them to excel in their endeavors
- Has demonstrated an outstanding level of professional and/or personal achievement
- Displays exceptional human values, which are an inspiration to others
- Proactive in his/her efforts to become involved in alumni activities such as the Alumni association, career networking, fundraising, and student recruitment
- Is an inspiration to the next generation of Alumni and the community at large

### 2. Blackmores - Alumni Leadership Award

Open to individuals who have demonstrated outstanding leadership of the highest calibre. The award recognizes both established leaders and emerging leaders.



#### Guiding criteria

- Demonstrates a willingness to inspire positive change and/or gives their time to empowering or advancing others
- Demonstrates inspirational leadership which creates a positive impact on individuals / groups / communities
- Communicates in a manner which is fair, open, honourable and respectful
- Sets a high standard of integrity by leading through example and maintains high personal standards
- Demonstrates consistency, creativity, collaboration, decisiveness and passion to inspire positive outcomes
- Proactive in his/her efforts to become involved in alumni activities such as the Alumni association, career networking, fundraising, and student recruitment

**3. dwp - Alumni Entrepreneurial Award**

Open to individuals, who have achieved entrepreneurial success. The individual may be an owner, partner, investor or employee who has successfully implemented an innovative initiative.



**Guiding criteria**

- Has introduced an innovative initiative which has resulted in technological advanced, improved productivity, efficiency, and/or sustainable change
- Has applied their initiative and entrepreneurial thinking to create a positive impact
- Is recognized by colleagues and peers for their entrepreneurial approach
- Is able to demonstrate how their education has contributed positively to their entrepreneurial success
- Demonstrates how their contribution has made a difference and enhanced the reputation of the university in which they graduated
- Proactive in his/her efforts to become involved in alumni activities such as the Alumni association, career networking, fundraising, and student recruitment

**4. The University of Newcastle, Australia - Young Alumni Award**

Open to individuals, aged under 35 years (at the time of nomination), who have distinguished themselves through a high level of professional accomplishment and/or charitable service early in their career.



**Guiding criteria**

- Has applied their Australian education to help them excel in their chosen profession
- Illustrates positive leadership in their chosen profession
- Demonstrates that their community involvement has led to enduring and positive outcomes on quality of life in the local region or beyond – outcomes may be economic, social and/or cultural
- Exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism towards a community strengthening cause or makes a significant contribution to a corporate social responsibility initiative
- Proactive in his/her efforts to become involved in alumni activities such as the Alumni association, career networking, fundraising, and student recruitment

**5. AustCham Thailand - Alumni Community Engagement Award**

Open to individuals who have demonstrated an ability to enhance and develop the livelihood of the communities in which they live/work.



**Guiding criteria**

- Has applied their Australian education to help them excel in community engagement

- Is able to demonstrate how their education has contributed positively to their community activities
- Demonstrates that their community involvement has led to enduring and positive outcomes on quality of life in the local region or beyond – outcomes may be economic, social and/or cultural
- Exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism towards a community strengthening cause or makes a significant contribution to a corporate social responsibility initiative
- Proactive in his/her efforts to become involved in alumni activities such as the Alumni association, career networking, fundraising, and student recruitment

### NOMINATION CRITERIA

- Nominations are open to Australian Alumni members who have graduated from any Australian University or other Australian institute of higher learning at degree level or above.
- Nominees must be residents of Thailand.
- Anyone is eligible to nominate. Self-nominations are encouraged.
- Individuals can be nominated in more than one category however each individual is only eligible to receive one award per year. If you are nominating another individual please seek their permission beforehand.

### NOMINATION and SELECTION PROCESS

#### 1. Compulsory Documentation

Nominees / nominator must submit the following documentation:

- a. Completed Nomination Form
- b. Recent, high resolution photo of nominee
- c. Recent CV of nominee

#### 2. Optional Documentation

A maximum of two support documents e.g. newspaper article, statement of awards may also be submitted for consideration.

#### 3. Judging Process

- Nominations will be considered by an impartial judging panel.
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited to present before the judging panel. Each candidate will have 10 minutes to present, followed by 10 minutes of questions from the judging panel.
- The judging panel will assess nominations in accordance with guiding criteria (stipulated under each award category) and the individual's overall career highlights

and accomplishments. Consideration will also be given to the individual's contribution to Thailand's national development and international relations, including fostering ongoing links between Thailand and Australia.

- Decisions made by the judging panel will be final and conclusive.

#### 4. Award Recipients

- Recipients of each award category will be announced at the Australian Alumni Awards presentation ceremony. Recipients will have the opportunity to make a short speech at the presentation ceremony.
- Award recipients will be called upon as Australian Alumni Ambassadors throughout the 2020 - 2021 calendar year.

### CONFIDENTIALITY

Information provided in the nomination form will be used solely for the purpose of judging, and will be treated as strict commercial-in-confidence by the organisers of the Australian Alumni Awards. None of the information will be published without the permission of the applicant. All copies to be used for media purposes will be cleared with the applicant before publication.

### KEY DATES

Friday 10 July 2020	Nominations Open
5pm, Friday 21 August 2020	Nominations Close  <i>Nominations received after the closing date will not be eligible for consideration.</i>
On or before Friday 21 August 2020	Judging panel selects finalists for interview
On or before Friday 21 August 2020	Finalists contacted by the Australian Alumni office (AustCham) to schedule interview time
Thursday 10 September 2020	Finalist interviews with judging panel  <i>Finalists must be available to present before the judging panel between the hours of 2pm and 8pm. Each finalist will have 10 minutes to present, followed by 10 minutes of questions from the judges.</i>
Friday 11 September 2020	Finalist interviews with judging panel  <i>Finalists must be available to present before the judging panel between the hours of 2pm and 8pm. Each finalist will have 10 minutes to present, followed by 10 minutes of</i>

		<i>questions from the judges.</i>
Wednesday 2020	16 September	Award recipients will be notified
Wednesday 2020	23 September	Australian Alumni Awards presentation ceremony  <i>Award recipients will have the opportunity to make a short speech (3-5 mins).</i>

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

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