



2024 ALUMNI AWARDS

Otterbein University welcomes nominations for the Alumni Awards. Strong candidates across a wide range of professions will have demonstrated excellence in one or more of the following areas:

- ❖ Advancement of intellectual curiosity, either professionally or academically, through innovative and intensive research or creative work.
- ❖ Passion for increased intercultural competency and interest in global environments. The honoree also demonstrates transferrable intercultural skills that they have integrated and applied across local and international communities through service, volunteerism, or professional contributions
- ❖ Leadership in meaningful change in their profession, community, or the Otterbein campus community; represents the ideal of a committed, industrious, and caring individual.
- ❖ Commitment to society demonstrated through civic and social responsibility; they have utilized their knowledge, skills, resources and time to create a clear, positive impact on their chosen community need or issue.
- ❖ Dedication to a high-level of excellence and professional achievement at the local, regional, national or global level in the field of their endeavor.

Nominations for all Otterbein alumni, from recent graduates to those with more established careers, are welcome.

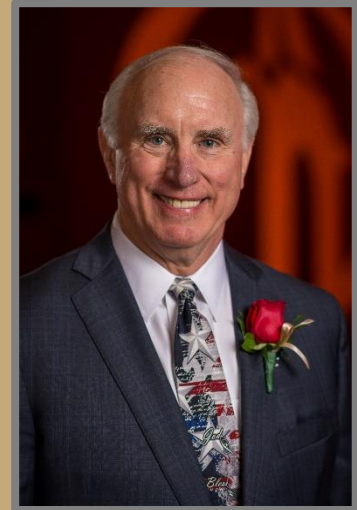
Nominations are due October 17, 2023 by 11:59 pm Eastern.

The date for the presentation of the 2022 Alumni Awards is still being determined. We strongly encourage award recipients to attend the award reception and ceremony in person.

This award program is led by a group of dedicated Otterbein alumni who are partnering with the school to strengthen and engage the Otterbein alumni community by recognizing the outstanding contributions of Otterbein trained professionals and leaders.

If you have any questions, please contact Alumni & Family Engagement at alumni@otterbein.edu or (614) 823-1650.

The nomination form is available online at:
www.otterbein.edu/alumni/events-travel/alumni-awards



“During my time at Otterbein I received an education that has served me very well through three distinctly different careers; first as a teacher and coach for three years, then as an FBI agent for 30 years, and currently in my small business of the last 18 years. I find it amazing and I consider it quite a tribute to the four-year liberal arts education I earned here at Otterbein.”

Roger Nisely '67
2019 Special Achievement
Alumni Awards Recipient

2024 Otterbein Alumni Awards Categories

Rising Star Award: This award recognizes accomplished alumni that received their degree within the last 15 years and have not reached their 38th birthday at the time of selection. An ideal candidate will have demonstrated one or more of the following: Community Achievement, Global or Intercultural Achievement, Leadership & Citizenship Achievement, Professional Achievement, Research or Creative Achievement, and Service to the University. *See below for a description of each type of achievement.

Otterbein Alumni Award: This award recognizes accomplished alumni that received their degree 16 or more years ago or are over the age of 38 years. An ideal candidate will have demonstrated one or more of the following: Community Achievement, Global or Intercultural Achievement, Leadership & Citizenship Achievement, Professional Achievement, Research or Creative Achievement, and Service to the University. *See below for a description of each type of achievement.

Distinguished Alumni Award: This award represents the most prestigious award presented by the Otterbein Alumni Association. Traditionally presented to only one individual per year, this award was established in 1951 to honor graduates of Otterbein University who have achieved recognized *national or international* prominence in their chosen career and have made significant contributions to their profession, community and the lives of others. The recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award represents the ideal of a committed, industrious, and caring individual to whom the Otterbein community may look as personifying the University's mission.

Honorary Alumni: The Honorary Alumni Award was created in 1950 for the purpose of recognizing and honoring those individuals, who, though not graduates of Otterbein University, have demonstrated outstanding interest, commitment and involvement in its life and activities. Recipients embody the notion that friends of the University, in addition to its alumni, can play an important and vital role in the enhancement of the institution.

Award Criteria

*Community Achievement

- Exemplifies Otterbein's mission of alumni advancing communities
- Commitment to educational, faith, social, diversity, marginalized, environmental, youth or other societal concerns
- Creation of a clear, distinctive, positive impact on a community need

*Global or Intercultural Achievement

- Exemplifies Otterbein's mission of alumni engaging globally and thinking broadly
- Engagement to advance a diverse population
- Demonstrated intercultural worldview applied through service, volunteerism, or profession

*Leadership & Citizenship Achievement

- Demonstrated outstanding leadership in professional or volunteer activities
- Demonstrated creative problem solving in leadership roles
- Demonstrated mentoring of others

*Professional Achievement

- Exemplifies Otterbein's mission of alumni advancing their professions
- Demonstrated professional excellence and achievement
- Significant career advancement
- Enhancement of an organization

*Research or Creative Achievement

- Innovative, intensive and thorough research or creative work
- Intellectual curiosity resulting in research excellence in a chosen field of endeavor
- Innovative thinking resulting in creative excellence in a chosen field of endeavor

*Service to the University

- Giving of time, talents, and service to create a better university
- Generally interpreted to be contributions as a volunteer
- An employee could be considered if their contribution is beyond the scope of their job expectations or is in a voluntary role

2024 Otterbein Alumni Awards Nomination Form

To nominate an Otterbein alumnus or alumna or friend, please complete this form and submit it with accompanying documentation to the address below. **Nominations for the 2024 awards will close on October 17 2023, at 11:59 p.m.** Nominations can also be submitted online at www.otterbein.edu/alumni/events-travel/alumni-awards/alumni. Only completed nominations received by the due date will be considered.

About the Nominee

Name of Nominee _____ Class (if known) _____
Title _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone (____) _____ Email _____

About the Nominator

Your Name _____ Class Year (if applicable) _____
Your Title _____
Relationship to Nominee _____
Phone (____) _____ Email _____

Questions (Responses can be submitted via email or word document.) *Required

1. Please describe your nominee's exceptional professional achievements and contributions or service, as they relate to the areas listed in the award criteria.*
2. What other attributes has your nominee demonstrated to support this nomination?*
3. Please describe the impact of your nominee on a local, regional, national, and/or international level.*
4. Is there anything else about your nominee that you would like the committee to consider?

Award Categories

Descriptions of the award categories can be found on page 2. Please consider this nominee for the following award category:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Rising Star | <input type="checkbox"/> Distinguished Alumni |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Otterbein Alumni Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Honorary Alumni |

Supplemental Documentation

In addition to the nomination form and written responses to the questions, a CV/resume is recommended. Articles, other awards received, and additional letters of support written by someone other than the nominator are strongly encouraged.

Submission

Return completed nomination form, responses, and supplemental documentation by October 17, 2023, to:
Office of Alumni & Family Engagement: Attn. Alumni Awards
Otterbein University
1 South Grove Street
Westerville, Ohio 43081