

FASP Graduate Studies Award – Entry (Ed.S.) Level

Purpose

The **Entry-Level** graduate award is given to recognize outstanding school psychology students in school psychology training programs in the state of Florida. This award is designed to focus on students who are working toward the Ed.S. level as their terminal degree, **not** as an interim step to earning their Doctoral degree.

Who is Eligible?

- The nominee must be a full-time student enrolled in a recognized school psychology program of studies in a Florida college or university, and not currently in the internship phase of the program.
- The nominee must be a student member of FASP and in good standing (i.e., membership applications must be submitted to the Membership Committee before nominees may be considered).
- The nominee cannot be a previous recipient of a FASP graduate studies award.
- An individual who worked previously as a school psychologist is excluded from any graduate student award.

Selection Process, Required Documents and Timelines

Nominees must submit:

- A nomination form
- A resume
- A statement of professional goals
- **Two** letters of recommendation
- Student copies of college transcripts

Nomination forms **must** be completed and returned to the Awards Committee by June 30th

The resume, a statement of professional goals, two letters of recommendation, and copies of college transcripts will be returned to the Awards Committee by August 15th.

Criteria for the Award

The following weighted procedure will be applied to the selection process:

- 20% - Grade Point Average for graduate coursework
- 30% - Scholastic and extracurricular activities as outlined in the resume (research, community involvement, presentations, awards, etc.)
- 30% - Statement of professional goals and cultural issues
- 20% - Letters of recommendation

Selection and Notification and Award Presentation

- The awards committee will review the assembled materials and score all candidates, using a decision matrix and based on the weighted scoring.
- The nominees and recipient will be recognized at the Annual Conference. The award will be presented at the Awards Ceremony and the recipient will be provided with a certificate waving the registration fee for the FASP Annual Conference for the following year, along with their \$500 Award.