



Community-Engaged Alliance

Brian Douglas Hiltunen Faculty Award for the Outstanding Contribution to the Scholarship of Engagement

Established in 2000 to honor Brian Douglas Hiltunen's legacy and his work with faculty and endowed through the generosity of the Hancock Hiltunen Caito Family, this award honors mid to late-career faculty who exemplify what it means to be an engaged scholar. Prior to his death in 1999, Brian Douglas Hiltunen served four years as project director for Indiana Campus Compact, now Community-Engaged Alliance. He created and implemented programs to support faculty and their commitment, service, and relationship with communities. Community-Engaged Alliance is dedicated to fostering the development of faculty and engaged scholars for the betterment of all Hoosier communities.

Learn more about Brian Douglas Hiltunen and past award recipients on the Community-Engaged Alliance website at <https://communityengagedalliance.org/awards/>.

Eligibility

To receive this competitive award, nominees must be full-time faculty who incorporate community engagement into their teaching and research. Recipients must be employed at a Community-Engaged Alliance partner institution.

Timeline

- Nominations Due: December 31, 2022
- Peer-Review: January 16 – February 16, 2023
- Recipient Announced: April 21, 2023, at the 2023 Summit & Research Symposium
- Awardee Engagement: June 2023 through April 2024



Nomination Process

All nominations/self-nominations must be submitted electronically via the Awards Nomination Portal, accessible from the link on the Community-Engaged Alliance Awards webpage at <https://communityengagedalliance.org/awards/> or by scanning the QR code above. Application materials must be saved as PDF documents in the following manner:

- a single Application Packet that includes the Personal Statement, Evidence of Community Engagement, and Letters of Nomination
- a single Nominee Information Packet that includes the Brief Biography and Highlight of Accomplishments
- a high-resolution Professional Headshot saved as either a .jpg or .png file

Nomination Requirements

Application Packet—*Ensure that all required components are addressed and that the packet is saved a single PDF file.*

- Nomination Form (required, preview available in Appendix A)
- Personal Statement (required, 1,000 words)
 - Discuss your (the nominee's) commitment to community engagement and how you (they) have integrated community engagement throughout your (their) professional work.
 - Discuss your (the nominee's) role as a community-engaged leader at your (their) institution and within the community and/or field of community engagement.
 - Discuss your (the nominee's) commitment to addressing community-identified issues and how your (their) partnerships have brought about social change.
- Evidence of Community Engagement
 - Engaged Scholarship (required)
List all community-engaged scholarly works produced (both peer-reviewed and invited), including but not limited to articles, manuscripts, conference presentations, research briefs, white papers, and other creative works. Scholarly works produced as a result of Community-Engaged Alliance funding should be noted, and links to online sources are to be included where applicable.

- Community-Engaged Teaching (required)
List and provide a brief overview of each community-engaged course you (they) teach. Each summary should include how often/how many times the course has been taught, the type(s) of community engagement activities incorporated, how your (their) community partner(s) are/were involved in the course development and implementation, and how student learning outcomes are connected to course activities.
- Community-Engaged Research (required)
Briefly discuss your (their) community-engaged research interests. If applicable, provide a list and overview (2 to 3 sentences each) of your (their) completed and in-process community-engaged research projects.
- Community Partner Engagement (if applicable)
List and provide a brief overview of your (their) engagement with community partners/the local community, including how you (they) are/have been involved, dates of involvement, and any professional service provided.
- Other Community Engagement (if applicable)
List and provide a brief overview of any other institution-wide, department-wide, and/or co-curricular activities you (they) lead and/or support. This can include but is not limited to, faculty/staff professional development activities, student-focused programming, and community partner support. If you (they) advise, lead, or support a community-engaged student organization, please include that information in this section.
- Letters of Nomination/Recommendation (3 total)
 - 1 Letter from an upper-level administrator, supervisor, or department head/chair.
 - 1 Letter from a community partner/member.
 - 1 Letter from a colleague or student (current or former) discussing how the nominee impacted their growth toward becoming an engaged scholar-practitioner (colleague), or an engaged civic leader within their community (student or colleague), and/or impacted their development toward addressing community-identified issues to bring about positive social change (student or colleague).

Nominee Information Packet— *All components are required. Save all items, except for the headshot, as a single PDF file.*

- Biography (300 words)
- Highlight of Accomplishments (150 words); *to be used should you receive the award.*
- Professional Headshot (high-resolution, .jpeg, .jpg, or .png)

Review Criteria

Nominees are reviewed based on the following criteria:

- Articulation of their understanding of community engagement and how it has been integrated across their work.
- Articulation of how they have contributed to the field of community engagement.
- Evidence of high-quality engaged scholarship.
- Evidence of how their work supports a culture of community engagement.
- Evidence of how their collaborative community partnership(s) has addressed community-identified issues and/or systemic social concerns.
- Evidence that their community engagement initiatives result in authentic, collaborative work and positive change.

Award Recipient Engagement

Community-Engaged Alliance will highlight the work and engage the award recipient in the following ways (June to April):

- Announced at the 2023 Summit & Research Symposium. All nominees are asked to attend.
- Showcase award recipients in the following ways:
 - Present and/or serve as a facilitator/moderator during the 2024 Summit & Research Symposium
 - Serve as a mentor for 2023–2024 Emerging Leaders (faculty, staff, and/or students) by presenting their research and/or program models via webinar and expert lecture sessions.
 - Serve on the Brian Douglas Hiltunen Award review committee for the following year.

Award Materials

Award winners will be presented with an award plaque and a \$500 cash gift. This cash gift is payable after the recipient's w-9 is received. Recipients may choose to have their payment directed to an Indiana nonprofit organization.

View highlights of previous recipients and learn more about the Brian Douglas Hiltunen Faculty Award for the Outstanding Contribution to the Scholarship of Engagement at <https://communityengagedalliance.org/awards/>.