

NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF GRADUATE SCHOOLS

NAGS/ETS Award for Excellence and Innovation in Graduate Admissions 2009-2010

The Northeastern Association of Graduate Schools is pleased to invite nominations from its member institutions for the **NAGS/ETS Award for Excellence and Innovation in Graduate Admissions**. Presented by the GRE and TOEFL programs, the award will be made to a NAGS member institution in recognition of outstanding contributions in graduate admissions practices.

The purpose of the NAGS/ETS Award is encourage, recognize and reward excellence and innovation in domestic and international admissions at both the graduate school and program level. Applications may relate to any facet of the admissions process, from outreach and recruitment through selection and admissions, e.g.:

- increasing the diversity of applicants to graduate programs, including the STEM disciplines;
- using technology to communicate with and attract prospective applicants in new and effective ways;
- increasing the number of international graduate applicants;
- demonstrating success in enhancing the quality of the entering class.

Selection will be based on three criteria:

1. Excellence
2. Innovation
3. Significance

A certificate and a \$2,500 award check will be presented at the annual meeting's award luncheon on Friday, April 16, 2010 at the Hotel Nelligan in Montreal, Quebec. A representative from the selected institution **must be present to receive the award**. **Please keep in mind that travel to Montreal from the United States requires a passport for U.S. citizens, and possibly a visa for citizens from other countries.**

Applicants must be from institutions which are current members of NAGS. Only one application will be accepted from each institution. Nomination materials (in English or French), which should be transmitted by the Graduate Dean, should include:

1. *An application letter from the Graduate Dean or comparable official at the institution. The letter should describe the pertinent graduate admissions innovation as well as the internal process used to select the award applicant.*
2. *A document (500-1500 words) that describes the pertinent graduate admissions innovation and explains why it is significant.*

Nomination materials in Adobe pdf file format must be submitted by email to Dr. Bernadette Donovan, the Chair of the NAGS/ETS Award Committee at the email address: bdonovan@molloy.edu. Receipt of nomination materials will be confirmed by the committee chair.

DEADLINE: January 5, 2010

Questions may be directed to:

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