Department of Health Sciences (DHS) Awards

Deadline for award nominations:
- Friday, March 11 by 5 p.m.

**Students:**

**Academic Achievement**
The recipient of this award demonstrates academic excellence in all aspects of the Health Sciences curriculum, including grades, classroom participation, research involvement, and/or lab work. The recipient takes full advantage of educational experiences in class, on campus, and beyond.

The award is available to students who meet the following criteria:
- Senior standing
- GPA of 3.75 or higher
- Proven record of curricular involvement within the classroom and beyond

To apply:
- Unofficial transcript
- Resume
- Original essay not to exceed 300 words that address the following prompt: During you time at Mizzou, how have you exemplified the spirit of this award?
- Letter of support from a DHS faculty member
- All award materials should be submitted in person at 503 Clark Hall by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 11. Recommendation letters should be in a sealed, signed envelope. Please include your full name and student ID number.

**Spirit of Achievement**
The recipient of this award demonstrates unwavering positivity toward the program and his or her career goals. Additionally, the recipient has demonstrated a supportive attitude toward his or her peers and service to others within the program. This student is an outstanding representative of DHS, SHP, and MU within the local and distant community.

The award is available to students who meet the following criteria:
- Senior standing
- GPA of 2.75 or higher
- Involved in activities that advance the reputation and standing of the department, school and university which may include: leadership, student activities, research, conferences, educational outreach or community service.

To apply:
- Unofficial transcript
- Resume
- Original essay not to exceed 300 words that address the following prompt: During you time at Mizzou, how have you exemplified the spirit of this award?
• Letter of support from a DHS faculty member, advisor or peer
• All award materials should be submitted in person at 503 Clark Hall by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 11. Recommendation letters should be in a sealed, signed envelope. Please include your full name and student ID number.

**Truman Award**
The Truman Award recognizes a student who has demonstrated the strength of character and determination that is exemplary of a Missouri Tiger. The recipient of this award has successfully overcome obstacles while pursuing his or her education.

The award is available to students who meet the following criteria:
• Senior standing
• GPA of 2.75 or higher

To apply:
• Unofficial transcript
• Submit an original essay that addresses the following in 500 words or less: How have you demonstrated the desired traits of a Missouri Tiger during your college career? Please address challenges you’ve encountered, how you overcame those challenges, and your commitment to education.
• Letter of support from an individual who can attest to your character (DHS faculty member, advisor, peer, employer, family friend, etc.)
• All award materials should be submitted in person at 503 Clark Hall by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 11. Recommendation letters should be in a sealed, signed envelope. Please include your full name and student ID number.

**Distance Learning**
The recipient of this award demonstrates a strong commitment to success while pursuing his or her educational goals outside the traditional campus setting. Additionally, the recipient is an outstanding representative of the program within his or her local community.

The award is available to students who meet the following criteria:
• Senior standing
• GPA of 2.75 or higher

To apply:
• Unofficial transcript
• Submit an original essay that addresses the following in 500 words or less: How have you demonstrated commitment to the program and outstanding character within your local community? Please describe your internship, learning experiences, challenges, and/or community involvement.
• Letter of support from an individual who can attest to your character (DHS faculty member, advisor, peer, employer, family friend, etc.)
All award materials should be submitted via email to mahlere@health.missouri.edu by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 11. Please include your full name and student ID number.

**Intern of the Year**
The recipient of this award demonstrates a strong commitment to professional development as a student intern enrolled in Health Sciences 4975. The recipient is open to feedback, promotes a positive work environment, and seeks opportunities for growth while advancing the organization’s mission.

The award is available to students who meet the following criteria:
- Senior standing
- GPA of 2.75 or higher

To apply:
- Unofficial transcript
- Submit an original essay that addresses the following in 500 words or less: How have you demonstrated excellence while working at your internship site? Please describe your professional growth, including examples of your achievements and challenges throughout the internship.
- Letter of support from your internship supervisor.
- All award materials should be submitted via email to mahlere@health.missouri.edu by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 11. Please include your full name and student ID number.

**Faculty/supervisors:**

**Supervisor of the year**
This award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to student learning and development within the health care industry. Internship supervisors are an integral part of students’ professional development and this award is intended to recognize their value and express the gratitude of the DHS students and faculty.

To nominate a supervisor:
- Submit a nomination letter that addresses how your supervisor positively contributed to your professional development and overall internship experience.
- The nomination should be submitted in person at 503 Clark Hall by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 11. The letter should include the nominator’s full name and contact information.

**Faculty/staff**
This award recognizes an outstanding DHS faculty or staff member who has made a significant impact on students and the university through teaching, research, mentorship, service, and/or professional development. This individual is committed to the department’s mission and seeks every opportunity to advance that mission among students and the academic community.
To nominate a faculty or staff member:

- Submit a nomination letter that addresses how an individual staff or faculty member has contributed to student learning and the Health Sciences field within the last year.
- The nomination should be submitted in person at 503 Clark Hall by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 11. The letter should include the nominator’s full name and contact information.

*If nominated for a SHP or campus award, faculty will automatically be included in a pool for students to vote from; there will also be several spots reserved for peer-nominated faculty/staff members.