

**NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**  
**Division of International Affairs**

**Call for Nominations for the 2021  
Outstanding Student Contribution to International Education Awards**

**Purpose:** The purpose of these awards is to acknowledge and recognize the outstanding student contributions to international education at Northern Illinois University (NIU). The awards are meant to encourage students to participate in and create greater visibility to international education at NIU.

**Awards:** The awards are sponsored by the Division of International Affairs at NIU. The Division typically recognizes the awardee by providing \$500 credited to their bursars account.

**Eligibility:** Regular undergraduate and graduate students in good academic standing and enrolled at NIU during the semester the award nominations are due are eligible for the award.

**TWO** awards will be given;

- one to a non-immigrant student (non-US citizen or non-permanent resident) and
- one to a domestic student (U.S. citizen or permanent resident). Nominees must not have previously received this award.

\*Student workers and Graduate Assistants in the Division of International Affairs may NOT self-nominate, but may be nominated by faculty or staff outside of the Division of International Affairs.

**Application Requirements:**

- Completed Nomination Form
- Completed Activities List
- 1 page Essay (self-nomination) or 1 page letter of support (Faculty or Staff Nominator)

**Nominations:** Any current faculty, staff, or student at NIU can submit nominations for the award. Students can nominate themselves.

**Selection of Recipients:** An awards committee established by the Division of International Affairs will review the nominations and select award recipients. The committee may request additional information or clarifications from the nominees or nominators.

**Nomination Submission:** Each nomination should include the completed nomination form, activities list, and one page essay or letter of support.

For additional information about the award or the nomination process, please contact chair Arezou Kashani at 815-753-8276 or [akashani@niu.edu](mailto:akashani@niu.edu)

Please submit completed nomination packet by **Monday, October 18, 2021** to:

Outstanding Student Contribution to International Education Awards Committee  
Division of International Affairs  
Williston Hall 406  
Northern Illinois University

Or email with “Outstanding Student Contribution to International Education Awards Committee” in subject to [akashani@niu.edu](mailto:akashani@niu.edu)

**NOMINATION FORM FOR THE  
Outstanding Student Contribution to International Education Awards**

Please complete the information below:

**STUDENT NOMINEE'S INFORMATION:**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree/Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:

Non-immigrant (non-US citizen or non-permanent resident): \_\_\_\_\_

Domestic Student (US citizen or permanent resident): \_\_\_\_\_

**If you are self-nominating please answer the following question (answer not to exceed 1 page):**

What does campus internationalization mean to you and in what ways have you contributed to further that vision at NIU?

I certify that the information provided in this form, the essay, and activities list is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator's Information:**

Nominator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have known the nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

**If you are nominating a student please answer the following question (answer not to exceed 1 page):**

How does the student demonstrate the importance of campus internationalization?

I certify that the information provided in this form, the support letter, and activities list is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ACTIVITIES LIST

Participated in the following study abroad courses:

Department	Course Number	Semester Taken	Country

Presented or organized seminars, workshops, exhibits, performances, and other activities that promote international education:

Type of Activity	Date of Activity	Your Role

Contributed to international and multicultural understanding through active involvement in student organizations, international residence hall floors, community groups, etc.:

Organization	Date of Involvement	Your Role

Participated in international projects and publishing and/or presenting papers on international issues and related topics:

Name of Project/Paper	Date of Involvement	Your Role

Received departmental, college, or external awards, scholarships, and other recognitions for international activities:

Name of Award	Award Sponsor	Activities Done to Win Award

Assisted the Division of International Affairs with the following activities at NIU:

Type of Activity	Date of Activity	Your Role