# **Criteria for Excellence in Leadership Awards**

### **Outstanding Student Organization Award**

This award honors a student group that demonstrates quality leadership, effective team work and contributes significantly to the quality of campus life at Alverno College. This award includes a \$100 monetary award to the organization. A successful nominee for this award demonstrates some of all of the following:

- Connects with other student leaders, staff and faculty through various means, such as Student Group Council, collaborative programming, involving advisors and communication with the Department of Student Life
- Effectively involves all members of the group in decisions, programs, meetings and events
- Provides training, development and/or education for members
- Creates an inviting, inclusive atmosphere through recruitment practices
- Actively supports the mission of the college and the mission of the group

## **Outstanding Service Award**

This award honors a student group that demonstrates outstanding service that contributes significantly to the Alverno, Milwaukee or global community. This award includes a \$100 monetary award to the organization. The successful nominee for this award has offered service that:

- responded to a demonstrated need
- promoted awareness
- provided education
- was well-received by recipients, and
- identified and targeted a specific audience

The service provided by this organization was:

- timely
- well organized
- delivered with good will and enthusiasm
- promoted student involvement

## **Outstanding Program Award**

This award honors a student group that initiates a program contributing significantly to the quality of campus life at Alverno College. This award includes a \$100 monetary award to the organization. The following list includes criteria that define an outstanding program:

- The program responded to current issues or needs of the Alverno community
- The program included collaboration within the group, with other students, staff or faculty
- The program and presenters promoted student involvement
- The program identified and targeted a primary audience
- The program elicited a positive response from participants
- The programmers demonstrated some or all of the following abilities: organization, budgeting, marketing, creativity, communication, problem solving and time management

### **Outstanding Student Leader Award**

This award honors a student leader who has contributed significantly to the quality of campus life at Alverno. Leaders are not limited to student organizations (i.e. students can be nominated from *Alpha*, Roundtable Discussions, Peer Advising, etc.). The following list includes criteria that define an outstanding student leader:

- Supports the College's mission and goals
- Responds to a demonstrated need or issue
- Enhances the quality of campus life by providing service, education, or an event to the Alverno community
- Collaborates with students and/or faculty/staff on project(s)
- Effectively demonstrates one or more of Alverno's eight abilities in relation to co-curricular work

## Faculty/Staff Recognition Award for Student Development

This award honors a faculty or staff member who has contributed significantly to the personal and professional development of students in a co-curricular setting. The successful nominee for this award has portrayed some or all of the following:

- Demonstrates awareness of the purpose and activities of the group through attendance at group meetings and/or frequent consultation with group leaders
- Acts as a source of general information regarding College policies and procedures and encourages the Student Group to frequently refer to their Student Handbook for clarification of these policies
- Encourages group members to assume responsibility for their actions and the effectiveness of their programs
- Guides, while at the same time, allows freedom for group members to plan and coordinate their own activities and programs
- Provides technical or professional knowledge relevant to the organization
- Provides continuity
- Assists with new officer transition
- Assists group in determining realistic goals
- Evaluates the group's progress toward goals
- Supports the group's mission and provides a quality learning experience