

2025-2026 President's and Provost's Awards for Outstanding Undergraduate Accomplishments

Deadline for Nomination by Faculty: March 6, 2026

These awards are intended to recognize outstanding undergraduate students for their work outside the classroom. Accomplishments may include: 1) research presentations at national meetings or co-authorship on peer-reviewed publications; 2) creative work such as juried art exhibitions or music competitions; or 3) demonstrated excellence in leadership or entrepreneurship outside the classroom such as experiential learning opportunities and competitions. Although the faculty mentors play a major role in undergraduate research and creative activities, these awards should recognize contributions made by the students to a project.

President's Award

Up to three (3) recipients

Award: \$500 and a framed certificate

Provost's Award

Up to nine (9) recipients

Award: \$250 and a framed certificate

Nomination Process:

Please note that a student must be enrolled at CMU as an undergraduate student for the spring 2026 semester to be eligible. A faculty member can nominate a student by completing the nomination form through DocuSign including attaching a brief (1 page) rationale outlining the nature and importance of the student's contribution and accompanied by any supporting material that seems appropriate (e.g. copy of publications, creative work, awards).

Review & Award Process:

The Office of Research and Graduate Studies (ORGS) will share all nominations from each college with the applicable dean. The college will then review the nominations and identify the top two (2) students to receive these awards. The top two (2) nominations from each college will be evaluated by a selection committee appointed by ORGS. The committee will be charged with determining which students will receive the President's Award and which students will receive the Provost's Award.

Nomination & Awarding Timeline:

March 6, 2026	Deadline for Nominations from Faculty
March 9, 2026	Nominations shared with College Deans
March 18, 2026	Deadline for Top Two (2) Nominations by College Dean
March 23, 2026	ORGS Announces Award Winners
April TBD, 2026	Award Ceremony

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