
CIWEA AWARD QUALIFICATIONS AND NOMINATION

AWARD DESCRIPTION:

Each year the California Internship & Work Experience Association (CIWEA) recognizes employers and colleges/universities which provide exemplary internship or work experience programs. CIWEA does this to highlight best practices and to encourage organizations to continue offering resources and opportunities for student success. A maximum of four awards are given each year – two to employers and two to colleges/universities. In addition to a plaque, recipients receive a complimentary membership to CIWEA for the following year and recognition at the Annual Conference. A list of previous award recipients for each category can be found at www.CIWEA.org.

AWARD CRITERIA:

- Does the program use innovative or unique approaches?
- Has the program shown a commitment to continuous improvement?
- Do students offer positive qualitative assessments of their learning experience?
- Is there a strong partnership between the college/university and the employer?
- Do students express workplace readiness as a result of completing the program?
- Does the program meet students' needs for a high quality learning experience?
- Does the program meet community needs for a prepared workforce?
- Is there evidence indicating a high percentage of program completers, and the number of students employed as a result of completing the program?

For Employer Programs:

- Has the employer made a long-term commitment to internships?
- Does the employer make a deliberate effort to invest time and resources to support the internship?
- Does the employer support students by providing pay, flexible schedules, or a high level of hiring?
- Is the intern given a progression of responsibilities in the learning experience?
- Does the employer sit on advisory committees or otherwise provide quality improvement to other feedback to the school?

For College/University Programs:

- Does the program engage students in "new modes of thought"?
- Does the program use effective techniques to advance students' social and emotional development, including their sense of self-efficacy?
- Does the program make specific efforts to expand students' access to opportunities?
- Does the program utilize specific and innovative means to enhance students' general workplace competencies, such as communication, teamwork, and project planning?
- Does the program utilize effective evaluation strategies for student progress and achievement?

I would like to submit a nomination* for the (select one):

Outstanding Internship or Work Experience Employer Award

Outstanding College/University Internship or Work Experience Program Award



CIWEA AWARD NOMINATION

Nominator Information – Only CIWEA Members are eligible to nominate for these awards

Name: _____

Title: _____

Institution/Organization: _____

Date: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Nominees Information

College/University or Employer Being Nominated: _____

Program Coordinator/Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

For College/University Award please select one: 2 year OR 4 year

Qualifications

Please provide a brief description of the Nominee's qualifications for this award. In writing the narrative portion of this nomination, please highlight distinctive achievements or contributions.

Thank you for taking the time to submit the CIWEA Award Nomination!