

Council  
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Imperial College Union  
**Rector's Awards for Excellence in Pastoral Care**  
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This is the second year of the Rector's Awards for Excellence in Pastoral Care, and College is welcoming nominations from the Student Body. The main points are detailed below and I would welcome any suggestions: simply email me on [dpew@imperial.ac.uk](mailto:dpew@imperial.ac.uk) for a nomination form.

**Rector's Awards 2009**

**The Rector's Awards for Excellence in Pastoral Care**

These Awards are to recognise the importance the College places upon providing a supportive learning environment for our high-potential and high-achieving students as part of its academic mission.

Pastoral care can be provided in many ways by many different staff. Some academic and research staff have a defined pastoral role, for example as a personal tutor, senior tutor or hall warden. Staff working in undergraduate and postgraduate offices in academic departments and divisions can also provide valuable guidance and advice, and many other staff across College have roles in supporting students.

The selection panel will be looking for nominations for those whose contributions can be considered exceptional. Examples of exemplary behaviour and actions could include individuals who:

- have established responsive and robust procedures to help ensure effective and swift support;
- are considered to be role models by their peers;
- gain consistently excellent feedback from students;
- get results by working collaboratively;
- are committed to treating students as adults, and who are supportive without being patronising;
- foster self-confidence and self-esteem;
- maintain the highest standards of professional conduct;
- promote equality and value difference and diversity;
- have implemented innovative approaches and good practice.

**Up to five awards will be made, including two fellowships which will be presented by the Rector at the Graduation Ceremony on Commemoration Day, 21 October 2009.**

**Nomination Guidelines**

Nominations must include a completed nomination form and must be received by **noon on Friday 12th June 2009**. Nominations must be supported by proposer and a seconder.

Forms should be returned to Marjory Rollo, Level 4, Faculty Building, South Kensington Campus or by email to [m.rollo@imperial.ac.uk](mailto:m.rollo@imperial.ac.uk). The nomination should provide a

comprehensive account of the special qualities and accomplishments that warrant consideration.

**Selection Process**

A panel will review the applications and select the winners based on the information provided.