

EERC AWARDS POLICY

Submissions

Alumni award submissions will open in March 2018, with a deadline of April 15th. Students may specify the award category (see list at the end of this document) however it is possible the award committee will choose the best award designation for the student. An announcement of finalist recipients will be made by the end of May. Finalist nominees will be requested to provide an indication of his or her availability to accept the award at the ceremony taking place on July 7, 2018 at Brasov.

Submissions should include a completed **Nomination Form** and:

1. **Nominee curriculum vitae** (LinkedIn format or other common format) **and nominee photo**; can include copies and links to supplementary materials such as newspaper articles, etc.
2. Nominee's brief **letter of intent** specifying in 1-2 paragraph why s/he is applying for the award and optional the category of award .
3. A **recommendation letter** in Romanian (or English). A letter from a mentor (e.g. a teacher, an employer, an internship supervisor, etc) will have strong consideration. No letters from family members will be considered. The letter must be sent by the recommender to eercc@eercboston.org, with the title: "Nomination for *student name*".

Award Committee

The committee consisting of the chair and four other members may reserve the right to choose the best award category for the nominee. More than one award per category may be offered. If no candidates meet the eligibility requirements, an award may not be offered.

Criteria considered for evaluating personal growth

1. Demonstrated dedication in community projects;
2. Taken leadership, responsibility, and initiative;
3. Inspired others through integrity and personal achievement;
4. Demonstrated personal achievement;
5. Overcome adversity for personal development; and
6. Demonstrated continued support of EERC the goals and mission.

AWARDS CATEGORIES*

1. High School Alumni Award: \$250

Purpose: To recognize high school enrolled alumni who are leaders in their school and community through academic achievement, excel in volunteering work, are involved in school projects, and show initiative and leadership.

2. Young Adult Alumni Award: \$250

Purpose: To recognize alumni who are outstanding leaders in their vocation and community and show promise of future professional growth. Open to high school graduates.

3. EERC Ambassador Alumni Award: \$350

Purpose: To recognize an individual who has shown exemplary effort in maintaining alumni interest in EERC and promoting the EERC values and mission. Open to all.

4. Team Achievement Award: \$400

Purpose: To recognize the value of team work, the friendships forged by joining EERC, and the value of many being as one. Teams must be comprised of alumni **or** alumni and host family children. There must be a minimum of 2

team members. Projects must have started before January 1, 2018 and show at least first stage completion.

5. Professor Radu Florescu Merit Scholarship: \$1000

Purpose: To recognize outstanding achievements and unwavering support of EERC. Recipients should demonstrate strong interest and contribution to Romanian history, culture, local community projects, social life, and civic involvement. This award is offered by the Florescu Family.

6. Alumni Travel Grant

Purpose: To facilitate the return of alumni to the US, as defined by the EERC criteria. This grant supports the chaperone component for the summer program. By invitation only. This award will not be announced at the ceremony.

**monetary value may be offered in RON*