

**American College of Radiology**  
**Criteria and Procedures for the Distinguished Achievement Award (DAA)**

1. The ACR Awards and Honors Committee may annually make recommendations to the BOC of up to three individuals for the DAA.
2. The award(s) is to be given in recognition of highly notable service to the College and the profession or in recognition of other action or achievement on the part of an individual that reflects in a uniquely favorable manner on the College and the profession of radiology at the national level.
3. The DAA can be awarded by the Board of Chancellors to individuals who deserve significant recognition by the College, but who are not eligible for the Gold Medal. The award is designed to recognize achievements of, among others, leaders in radiologic technology or nursing, statisticians, leaders of other medical organizations, or in business management, legislators, philanthropists, authors, and media representatives.
4. Nominations are submitted in writing by any member of the College, giving in detail the nominee's qualifications for the award, and must be accompanied by a detailed curriculum vitae or resume of the nominee. In addition, there must be letters of support for each nominee from at least two sponsoring College members. Letters should not come from members who are in the same practice as the candidate. The primary nominator is responsible for initiating the submission of letters of support.
5. Members on the Committee on Awards and Honors, members on the Board of Chancellors, the Chief Executive Officer and staff of the College are ineligible to act as primary nominators or sponsors nor submit letters of nomination or support.
6. Solicitations for nominations are to appear in the ACR Bulletin and ACR web site.
7. Letters of nomination and sponsorship are to be sent to the Chair of the Committee on Awards and Honors in care of the College office by **July 1**. The submitted material will then be duplicated and sent to the members of the committee.
8. The Committee on Awards and Honors makes its recommendations to the Board of Chancellors, submitting no more than three names. The method of voting and establishing the order of preference is to be determined by the committee.
9. The determination of the DAA is by vote of the Board of Chancellors at its fall meeting. No more than three such awards may be made each year, except possibly for a rare, unusual occasion. However, in any year there may be fewer than three or even none.
10. If the committee does not recommend a nominee for the Distinguished Achievement Award, the primary nominator may request that the nominee be considered again the next year, with no additional supporting information required. Such requests must be received by **January 15** for consideration the second year. If no such request is made, the nominee may not be re-nominated for a period of two years. If such a request is made, but the committee again does not recommend the nominee for the Distinguished Achievement Award, the nominee may not be re-nominated for a period of two years.
11. The award is to be presented at the ACR Convocation.