

Outstanding Network Award

Sponsored by the OSU Alumni Association | **Nominations due May 1, 2026**

Established in 2024, this award is presented to honor exceptional networks, councils and groups that demonstrate exemplary leadership, engagement and support to both their community and Oregon State University. This award recognizes groups that have gone above and beyond in fostering connections, providing invaluable resources and making significant contributions that enhance the mission and values of the OSU Alumni Association, OSU Foundation and Oregon State University.

Eligibility Considerations:

- Be in active standing* with the OSU Alumni Association, OSU Foundation, or Oregon State University.
- Governed primarily by Oregon State alumni (at least 51% of group members are Oregon State alumni).
- Held at least two (2) network/group meetings in the previous fiscal/academic year**.
- Held at least two (2) experience/engagement activities the previous fiscal year that are in alignment with the mission and objectives of the OSU Alumni Association as it relates to one or more of the following areas:
 - Supported and/or activated change within the industry, local community and/or OSU community with respect to diversity, equity, inclusion and social justice
 - Supported governmental and community advocacy efforts for Oregon State. University, OSU Alumni Association and/or OSU Foundation's education efforts, research and programs.
 - Supported students and graduates with career advice and connections to alumni, donors and friends and/or provided their career expertise to university leadership, faculty and staff to guide the OSU community's outreach and educational efforts.
 - Supported engagement activities designed to cultivate stewardship and donations, and/or help to strengthen the OSU community.

Networks/Groups Ineligible for Nominations:

- The OSU Board of Trustees, OSU Alumni Board of Directors, or OSU Foundation Board of Trustees.

Nominations:

- Nominations for the award are encouraged from any source
- All nominations shall be kept confidential
- Nominations may be made at any time. If a nominee is not selected in the first year their file will remain active for two years following their nomination - pending they still meet the eligibility considerations.

*Active standing: Regularly engages its members through communication, events, and support for their alma mater, fostering professional development, networking, and community service.

**Fiscal/academic year is from July 1 to June 30 each year. Nominations should reflect or speak to the activities of the previous fiscal/academic year.



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Nomination Information:

Network/Group Name: _____
Two Representative(s): _____
Email addresses for the
above representatives: _____
Network/Group Website: _____
Social Media sites: _____

Who is making this nomination:

Name: _____
OSU Dept: _____
Email address: _____
Primary/
Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Please include with your nomination:

- This cover page
- Letter of nomination which includes the reason for the nomination and explanation on how they meet all the award criteria.
- Other supporting documentation such as newspaper articles, links to videos and/or presentations with a short summary describing the content for each link, letters of reference, etc.

Email documents in one message to osualum@osualum.com with subject line: Network Award or send paper files to: OSU Alumni Association, 204 CH2M HILL Alumni Center, Corvallis, OR 97331.