

# IAMSE Awards Program to Promote Teaching Excellence and Educational Scholarship in the Medical Sciences

## Overview

The IAMSE established three prestigious awards in 2005 to recognize and promote teaching excellence and educational scholarship in the medical sciences. Below are brief descriptions. Complete details are available on the IAMSE website (<http://www.iamse.org>). All IAMSE members should read carefully the complete descriptions of these award programs before submitting nomination packets. Questions and comments should be directed to Dr. Joseph Stein, Chair, IAMSE Awards Sub-Committee, at [steinj@upstate.edu](mailto:steinj@upstate.edu)

### Best Poster Presentation Award

The Best Poster *Presentation Award* recognizes the most outstanding medical education peer-reviewed presentation at the IAMSE annual meeting. First authors must be IAMSE members in good standing. Using a multi-phased, peer review process and established educational scholarship criteria, finalists are identified from the accepted presentation proposals. Finalist presentations are recognized during the meeting. During the conference, peer-reviewers observe and assess finalists' presentations based on educational scholarship and effective presentation criteria. The award presentation is announced at the final conference session. The first author/presenter receives a plaque, a one-year IAMSE Membership, and access to the IAMSE WebCast Audio-Seminars. Co-authors are also recognized and receive certificates.

### Master Teacher Award

This annual award was established to honor an IAMSE member who, over the course of many years, has consistently demonstrated extraordinary excellence in teaching both at his/her institution and within IAMSE. Any teaching can be recognized, but nominations of members who have been active teachers at the annual IAMSE meetings or web seminars are particularly encouraged. IAMSE members may self-nominate or be nominated by another IAMSE member. The Awards Committee reviews all nominations and supporting documentation based on established criteria and selects finalists. Final approval of each award recipient rests with the IAMSE Board of Directors. A finalist who does not win the award will be automatically reconsidered the next year, if they agree and update their nomination file.

Nominees should submit:

- three letters of support.
- curriculum vita
- a list of teaching activities at their institution and at IAMSE
- documentation of the quality of teaching, which should include all of the following:
  - student evaluations
  - the number and nature of teaching awards, including who voted on the award (student, peers, etc.)
  - peer evaluation of teaching quality
  - evaluations of IAMSE sessions by members

The recipient is recognized at the annual meeting and receives a plaque, a one-year IAMSE membership, and access to the IAMSE WebCast Audio-Seminars.

### Master Scholar Award

This award recognizes an IAMSE member who has a distinguished record of educational scholarship, including educational research and/or dissemination of excellent and scholarly approaches to teaching and education (e.g., development of multimedia medical educational programs, research in the areas of curriculum design and evaluation, student assessment, innovative programs and methods, etc.). IAMSE members may self-nominate or be nominated by another IAMSE member. Award recipients are selected based on the impact, ingenuity, and longevity of educational scholarship and their records of publications, presentations, and other forms of dissemination of educational scholarship. The Awards Committee reviews all nominations and supporting documentation based on established criteria and selects finalists. Final approval of each award recipient rests with the IAMSE Board of Directors. A finalist who does not win the award will be automatically reconsidered the next year, if they agree and

update their nomination file.

Nomination packets must include:

- curriculum vita
- three letters of support
- examples of appropriate work

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### **Award Implementation Timelines**

A general timeline for the implementation of the Master Teacher and Master Scholar nomination/application and review/selection process is shown below. Deadlines, instructions, forms, and up-to-date program descriptions are available on the IAMSE website.

#### **Master Teacher and Master Scholar Awards General Timeline for Annual Implementation**

<u>TIME PERIOD</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
January	Call for nominations via email distribution
January-February	Nominations received
February 28	Deadline for receipt of nominations
February– March	Awards committee reviews nominations
March 30	Deadline for recommendation of awardees to Board of Directors
April	Board of Directors approves award recipients IAMSE President informs award recipients
June	Presentation of awards to recipients at annual meeting