



The Australian Institute of Health & Safety is calling for Student Nominations for the **2024 AIHS National OHS Education Awards**.

The purpose of these awards is to provide an opportunity for students studying occupational health and safety at the university level and demonstrating high levels of achievement and initiative, to be recognised by the Australian Institute of Health & Safety.

All students who have **completed their relevant course requirements in the 2023 calendar year** are eligible to be nominated.

The three awards on offer this year are:

- 1. National OHS Education (Postgraduate) Award**
- 2. National OHS Education (Undergraduate) Award**
- 3. Dr. Eric Wigglesworth OHS Education (Research) Award**

Candidates can be selected based on the following criteria:

National OHS Education Awards (Undergraduate/Postgraduate)

- Technical and theoretical knowledge
- Ability to access, analyse and evaluate information
- Ability to solve problems related to OHS
- Communication skills to transmit knowledge, skills, and ideas
- Demonstrated application of knowledge and skills in practical situations

Dr. Eric Wigglesworth OHS Education (Research) Award

- Significant contribution to the OHS Body of Knowledge
- Potential for application of research outcomes in preventing work-related fatalities, injuries, disease and/or ill-health
- Demonstrated dissemination of research outcomes to relevant parties

The winner of the National OHS Education (Postgraduate) & (Undergraduate) Awards will receive:

- Commemorative plaque
- Professional Development Fund to the value of \$1000
- Travel and accommodation from home state to the awards presentation
- Membership of the AIHS for one year
- Certificate of recognition for their Education Institute

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The awards will be presented at the [AIHS National Health & Safety Conference](#), which will be held in Melbourne on **Tuesday 21st May 2024**.

Who should complete the nomination form?

1. National OHS Education (Postgraduate) Award- Course/Program Coordinator
2. National OHS Education (Undergraduate) Award- Course/Program Coordinator
3. Dr Eric Wigglesworth OHS Education (Research) Award- Course/Program Coordinator or Supervisor, or Self Nomination

How do I go about nominating a student for an award?

Course/Program Coordinators can nominate students for the:

National OHS Education (Postgraduate) Award

National OHS Education (Undergraduate) Award

Via the [National OHS Education Awards Form](#)

Course/Program Coordinator or Supervisor, or Self Nomination:

Dr. Eric Wigglesworth OHS Education (Research) Award

Via the [National OHS Education Awards-Wigglesworth Award Form](#)

Please note: Nominations open on Monday 29 January and will close at 5pm AEDT on Monday 4th March 2024.

What is the judging process for these awards?

1. Call for nominations announced through the Australian OHS Education Accreditation Board Educator and Researcher contact list, the AIHS member e-News, and a request for Universities Australia to forward an email to Directors/Deans of research
2. Self or supervisor nomination on the required form for a graduate from an eligible program who has successfully completed the thesis examination process in the previous calendar year and who is considered to meet the criteria of the award
3. Nominees sent a letter/email advising that they have been nominated

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4. The nomination forms, and thesis are considered by the judging panel to develop a short list
 5. Interview of short-listed candidates via teleconference
 6. The panel determine the winner of the Award. The panel's decision is final
 7. All nominees receive a letter of achievement
 8. The Award is presented at the AIHS National Health & Safety Conference
- The winner of the award is publicised in AIHS and Accreditation Board publications including newsletters, The OHS Professional and on the AIHS and Accreditation Board web sites

We look forward to receiving your completed nominations, if you have any questions about the process, please contact the **Learning and Professional Development team** at AIHS via learning@aihs.org.au.

Kind Regards

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