

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2020 HISP UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT AWARDS:

SPAN/PORT OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENT AWARD SPAN/PORT OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AWARD SPAN/PORT OUTSTANDING GRADUATING SENIOR AWARD

The Department of Spanish & Portuguese announces the inaugural year of undergraduate awards, created to recognize the outstanding students who are involved in our program as majors or minors and positively impacting the world around us. We aim to award an undergraduate student in each of the award categories listed above. Each award will consist of a plaque for the awardee and a listing of the student's name on a cumulative plaque that is kept in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese. The Outstanding Graduating Senior winner will also be invited to share a 5-minute reflection on the impact that majoring or minoring in Spanish or Portuguese has had on them, posted to the IU Span/Port website. *These awards are open exclusively to students majoring or minoring in Spanish or Portuguese.*

CRITERIA

1. The primary criterion for the **Outstanding Undergraduate Research Achievement Award** is the significance of the student's research, whether in the form of a single project such, as a senior honors thesis, or a cumulative body of work (presentations, papers, etc.). The research must have been completed in relationship to the study of Hispanic culture, language, literature, and/or using one of the three languages in the Department- Spanish, Portuguese, or Catalan.
2. The primary criterion for the **Outstanding Undergraduate Community Engagement Award** is the impact of the student's community involvement. Community is defined broadly, and could include work within our Department and IU communities (Sigma Delta Pi, Teatro Vida, HISP-X370 experiential learning volunteer opportunities) and/or in Bloomington and beyond.
3. The primary criterion for the **Outstanding Graduating Senior Award** is a student's overall scholarship- within and beyond coursework- and positive community impact. We are looking to celebrate the graduating senior who exemplifies the passion, perseverance, and engagement that we strive for in the Department. The student must graduate with a major or minor in Spanish or Portuguese between August 2019-July 2020.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Any student majoring or minoring in Spanish or Portuguese is welcome to apply; we will also accept nominations from faculty or community members familiar with the students' work. **The nomination (either self- or other-nominated) must be submitted by Friday, April 3rd** via email to the Director of Undergraduate Studies (lgurzyns@indiana.edu) with the title of the award and "nomination" in the subject line.

1. A 1-2 page nominating statement describing how the nominee meets the criteria stated above
2. The nominee's CV, including specification of the student's major(s) or minor(s).
3. The names of two references, one of whom must be within the Department of Spanish & Portuguese, and their emails.