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Dear Colleagues:

I am pleased to announce that nominations are now being accepted for the 2019 MEEOA Achiever Awards. This award was developed in 2013 by the Executive Committee and Alumni Committee to recognize outstanding graduates of Maine's educational opportunity programs, TRIO and other educational opportunity programs alike. I hope you will take the time to recognize and honor the tremendous achievements of our distinguished alumni. MEEOA Achievers are truly worthy of the distinction, as they possess all of the following attributes:

- They have received a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education.
- They are recognized as a person of high stature within their profession or they have received recognition for their outstanding academic achievements.
- They are employed above the entry-level designation for their profession or they have received a post baccalaureate degree or are enrolled in a post baccalaureate program.
- They have made significant civic, community, or professional contributions.
- Their participation in an educational opportunity program has had a significant impact upon their ability to achieve educational and/or professional objectives (as acknowledged by the participant).

A nomination form is enclosed. Please write a strong letter of support for your nominee addressing the five points in the above criteria to ensure that your nominee is eligible. Note that you may make nominations outside your project or program and that your nominee does not have to reside in Maine. Also it is necessary for your nominee to write a brief statement (500 words or less) acknowledging the impact of the educational opportunity program on their academic and/or professional lives. This statement must be submitted with our nomination form and letter by **November 8, 2019**. In addition, for the nomination to be valid, the nominator must be a 2019-2020 MEEOA member. If you have any questions regarding your membership in our association please feel free to email *Kate Walsh*, *MEEOA Membership Chair at* (*kevit@maine.edu*).

All submissions for the MEEOA Achiever Award must be received in full by December 7, 2018. Award winners will be selected and notified in December. The awards presentation will take place during the MEEOA Annual Conference ((January 9-10) in Bar Harbor, Maine at the Atlantic Oceanside Hotel & Events Center.

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MEEOA Achiever Nomination Criteria

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- 4. They have made significant civic, community, or professional contributions
- 5. Their participation in an educational opportunity program has had a significant impact upon their ability to achieve educational and/or professional objectives (as acknowledged by the participant)

MEEOA Achiever Application Packet

The application cover letter.
A letter of nomination. This letter should address each of the five points listed in the nomination criteria.
A letter from the candidate outlining the impact participation in the educational opportunity program had on his or her educational and/or professional objectives.
A one to two page resume, vitae, or statement indicating educational background, professional employment, academic and/or professional honors, professional, community, or civic contributions and other information pertinent to the nomination.
A Digital Photo – if possible for our Conference Booklet!
Deadline: All application materials must be received in full by November 8, 2019.
Send your application materials to:
Andrew Henry, MEEOA Alumni Committee Chair
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University of Maine
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2020 MEEOA ACHIEVER AWARD APPLICATION

Personal Information

Candidate Name:Address:
Home Phone:Work Phone:
Email:
Educational Opportunity Program Participation
Project:
Institution/Agency:
Dates of Participation:
Project Director during Participation:
Name of Person Nominating:
Address:
Phone:
Email: