



Bryan Smale Award for Outstanding Contributions to CAL S

Description:

Established in recognition of Dr. Bryan Smale's many years of service and dedication to the Canadian Association for Leisure Studies/ Association canadienne d'études en loisir (CAL S), the **Bryan Smale Award for Outstanding Contributions to CAL S** recognises individuals whose contributions to CAL S extend beyond normal service expectations. Nominations may highlight, but are not limited to, a sustained and distinguished record of service to CAL S, exceptional performance of duties on behalf of the Association, and the consistent delivery of high-quality service that has significantly advanced CAL S' mission and activities.

Eligibility:

- Be a Canadian citizen or working in Canada; and
- Be a leisure researcher affiliated with a university or college, research institute, think tank, or government agency
- Show evidence of meaningful contributions to CAL S and a sustained and distinguished record of service

Nomination Process:

Nominations must include the following materials:

1. A completed nomination form identifying the nominee, the nominator, and a seconder;
2. Two letters of support (maximum 1,000 words each), one from the nominator and one from the seconder. At least one letter must be authored by an individual who is not a member of the CAL S Board of Directors;
3. The nominee's current curriculum vitae.

Individuals may be nominated in multiple years. Nominations are not carried forward from year to year; therefore, a complete nomination package must be submitted for each nomination cycle.

Review and Adjudication:

Nominations will be reviewed by the CAL S Awards Committee (at least two members of the Board of Directors) with the addition of one CAL S member who is not a member of the Board of Directors. The Committee will make a recommendation to the Board. Any individual serving on the Committee or the Board who is a nominator or nominee, or a nominee's institution must recuse themselves from all stages of the review and decision-making process¹.

Presentation of the Award:

The Bryan Smale Award may be presented annually in conjunction with the CAL S annual meeting. In years when the tri-annual Canadian Congress on Leisure Research (CCLR) is held, plaques will be presented to all three recipients.

¹ CAL S will follow the Tri-council policy related to [Conflict of Interest](#).



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Nomination Form

Deadline for nominations: **March 31, 2026**

Nominee:

Name Signature

Affiliation:

E-mail address:

Nominator:

Name Signature

Affiliation:

E-mail address:

Seconder:

Name Signature

Affiliation:

E-mail address:

Note: Please complete and submit this document with supporting documentation to Dawn Trussell at dtrussell@brocku.ca