



**2010**

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### WHAT ARE THE PREMIER'S AWARDS FOR ONTARIO COLLEGE GRADUATES?

The Premier's Awards for graduates of Ontario's colleges honour the important social and economic contribution college graduates make to Ontario and throughout the world. The awards were launched in 1992 to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ontario's colleges and are administered by Colleges Ontario.

Presented annually, the Premier's Awards for Ontario College Graduates honour six outstanding graduates in the following categories:

- Business
- Community Services
- Creative Arts and Design
- Health Sciences
- Technology
- Recent Graduate\*

#### **Selection Criteria**

Chosen from nominations submitted by Ontario's 24 colleges, nominees demonstrate outstanding career success related to their college experience and have made a significant contribution to their community. The individual's career achievements will be given top priority.

#### **Eligibility**

Any graduate of a college program may be nominated. The person must have demonstrated outstanding career success as well as contribution to their community or society. Colleges may nominate only one graduate in each category. There is no limit to the number of times a graduate can be nominated over the years.

#### **\*Recent Graduate Category**

Persons who have graduated from any college program within the last five years (2006-2010) are eligible for nomination in the Recent Graduate category. Since graduating, nominees must have demonstrated promising career success and contribution to their community and society.

#### **Candidate Search**

Cultivate an ongoing awareness for searching out graduates within your college – approach your college community for leads. Many colleges promote the Premier's Awards for Ontario College Graduates in their Alumni magazines, local community media (paid and public service announcements), and college websites.

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### **Selection Panel**

All nominations are judged by a panel of experts in the fields of business, community services, creative arts and design, health sciences, and technology. A recipient will be selected for each of the six categories

### **Recognition for Recipients**

Premier's Awards for Ontario College Graduates recipients (six) each receive a bronze medal and a framed certificate signed by the Premier of Ontario, and direct a \$5,000 bursary to their graduating college. The medal and certificate are presented at the annual awards ceremony in November.

### **Recognition for Nominees**

Premier's Awards for Ontario College Graduates nominees receive a framed certificate of achievement signed by the Premier of Ontario.

### **2010 Ontario Premier's Awards Ceremony**

The 2010 Premier's Awards for Ontario College Graduates will be presented on Nov. 22, 2010, at the Sheraton Centre Hotel in Toronto. All nominees and recipients are invited to attend the presentation.

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