

# **Ball State University Alumni Association G.O.L.D. Award**

## **Purpose:**

The purpose of the **Graduate Of the Last Decade Award** is to annually recognize the outstanding accomplishments of recent graduates of Ball State University. These Alumni have already demonstrated their promise and potential for outstanding endeavors by quickly becoming involved in different aspects of life after college. This award is designed to include both traditional and nontraditional graduates.

## **Process:**

A committee comprised of Alumni Council members will select the winners. Each year a maximum of eight alumni will be honored with the award. Each award recipient must have received his or her initial Ball State University bachelor's degree from within ten years of January 1 of the year of recognition. Nominations will remain active for a period of three years, unless the individual is re-nominated or passes the ten-year mark from receiving their initial bachelor's degree from Ball State University. The awards will be presented at the Alumni Awards Dinner held annually in conjunction with Homecoming festivities or at another appropriate campus-wide event.

## **Criteria:**

1. The nominee must have received his or her initial bachelor's degree from Ball State University within ten years of January 1 of the year of recognition.
2. The nominee should demonstrate success in his or her professional field.
3. The nominee should demonstrate activity in two or more of the following areas: public service to community, non-profit organizations, educational organizations, professional organizations, the Ball State University Alumni Association, or Ball State University.
4. This award should not replicate the BSUAA Benny Award or be perceived as a Junior BSUAA Distinguished Alumni Award.

## **Nominations:**

Nominations can be made by anyone. Announcement of the award and nomination potential will be publicized in the *Alumnus* magazine and the NEWS from the Cardinal's NEST e-newsletter. Candidates must submit supporting materials to be considered for the award. Suggested items include: resume/vitae, letter to the selection committee, 2-3 letters of recommendation, and up to five pages of work samples, articles, publications, etc.

## **Award:**

The award will be selected to represent this constituency and will be unique in comparison to other awards presented by the Alumni Association.

**Ball State University**  
**G. O.L.D. Alumni Award Nomination Form**

G.O.L.D. Alumni Award - Graduate of the last decade who has already demonstrated their promise and potential for outstanding endeavors by quickly becoming involved in different aspects of life after college. Each nominee/recipient must have received his or her initial Ball State University bachelor's degree from within ten years of January 1 of the year of recognition.

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Based upon the above criteria, I would like to nominate the following individual for the Ball State University G.O.L.D. Alumni Award:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation/Position/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe those activities, achievements, or contributions made by the nominee that you think qualify him or her for the award:

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Nomination submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for submitting this nomination. Please mail it, along with any supporting materials that you would like to have included in the nomination file to:

**Ball State University Alumni Association**  
**G.O.L.D. Alumni Award**  
**Muncie, IN 47306-0075**

If you would prefer to e-mail your nomination, please submit to [alumni1@bsu.edu](mailto:alumni1@bsu.edu) or [kwebber@bsu.edu](mailto:kwebber@bsu.edu), or via the online nomination form, located at [www.bsu.edu/alumni/awards](http://www.bsu.edu/alumni/awards). Faxed nominations may be sent to (765) 285-1414.

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