

# Valencia Community College Alumni Association Distinguished Graduate Award Nomination 2009-2010



## OVERVIEW:

The Alumni Association's Distinguished Graduate Award is presented each year at the annual Commencement ceremony to a graduating Valencia student for outstanding accomplishments in the following areas:

### **Academic Achievement | Extracurricular Activities at Valencia | Community Service**

The candidate must graduate from Valencia during the following time period: Summer Term, 2009; Fall, 2009 or Spring Term, 2010.

## NOMINATION PROCESS:

1. Any Valencia faculty or staff member may nominate a student for the Distinguished Graduate Award.
2. In conjunction with the nominator, each candidate must submit a complete nomination packet to the Alumni Relations Office, Building 6, Room 101 at the East Campus to be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 3, 2010.

Valencia Alumni Association  
701 N. Econlockhatchee Trail, Mail Code: 3-12  
Orlando, FL 32825  
(407) 582-2946

**Please Note:** Incomplete packets, late packets or those exceeding the guidelines for length will be automatically disqualified.

## PRESENTATION OF AWARD & RECOGNITION OF RECIPIENT:

1. The president of the Alumni Association announces the recipient and presents a plaque to him/her at the annual Commencement ceremony.
2. The recipient is the keynote speaker at the annual Commencement ceremony.
3. A biographical sketch of the recipient is published in the Commencement Program.
4. The recipient writes a welcome note to incoming students in the student handbook.
5. The recipient, recipient's family and nominator are invited to the annual Alumni Achievers' Reception where the recipient is presented a check for \$1,500.

## RECOGNITION OF FINALISTS:

1. Up to four finalists will receive a \$100 cash award.
2. Finalists and their families and nominators are invited to the annual Alumni Achievers' Reception.

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**CANDIDATE INFORMATION:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last Name) (First Name) (MI)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (APT) (City) (State) (Zip)

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Valencia Student ID # (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Valencia Overall GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Attach an official transcript\*)

**NOMINATION PACKET:**

Please forward the following items on the checklist to:

**Valencia Alumni Association (East Campus, Bldg. 6, Room 101), 701 N. Econlockhatchee Trail, Mail Code: 3-12, Orlando, FL 32825**

- A completed nomination form.
- An official\* college transcript.
- Three (no more than three) signed reference letters (One from the nominator and two from faculty or staff members)
- A résumé (not to exceed two pages) with emphasis in the areas of academic achievement, extracurricular activities at Valencia, and community service. Include examples with estimates of hours spent both on extracurricular activities at Valencia and on community service per month.
- An essay of a minimum of 400 (not to exceed 500) words which answers all of the following questions:
  - What is the significance of a Valencia Community College education to you?
  - What is your philosophy regarding community service?
  - What are your future educational, professional and personal goals?

\*An official transcript is one issued from the Admissions office in a sealed envelope. A transcript is considered unofficial if the envelope has been opened.

**SIGNATURES:**

I certify that the information above and in the attached documents is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nominator's Name Nominator's Signature Mail Code Email  
(Please Print or Type)

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