DEPARTMENT OF PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY HEALTH
ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-2018 STUDENT AWARDS

Committee Members:

Olga Acosta Price, Committee Chair, Health Promotion program
Elizabeth Andrade, Health Promotion program
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Eligibility:

Students must have completed and presented (or be scheduled to present) their final CE projects between the dates of August 1, 2017 and May 4, 2018, be in good academic standing, and be in the Department of Prevention and Community Health to be eligible for these awards.

2017-2018 Awards:

Outstanding Culminating Experience Award (Outstanding Masters Independent Project Award – “X” Program): The culminating experience award recognizes an outstanding CE project in each program (totaling four) of the Dept. of Prevention and Community Health. The student CE project must be nominated by his/her CE advisor or a PCH faculty member. Eligible students will demonstrate excellence in planning and execution of their CE project, as well as in the written and oral communication of findings.

Student nominations can be made here and Award Committee members will send names to the Program Director. Program Director and associated faculty will identify any other student nominees and select a program winner. Each Program Director will submit one awardee name to the committee. Nominations are requested by 5/2/18 but will be accepted until COB 5/4/18.

The PCH program-specific CE Awards are as follows:

- Overall COPC CE Award
- Overall HP CE Award
- Overall MCH CE Award
- Overall PHCM CE Award

Outstanding Overall PCH CE Award (Outstanding Masters Independent Project Award – Department of Prevention & Community Health): Winners of the four program areas (above) become the four nominees for the Overall PCH CE Award. The Awards Committee members will review CE abstracts and slides and select the winner. The winner’s name will be listed in the Academic Awards Ceremony program to be held on May 18, 2018.

PCH CE Policy and Practice Impact Award: The Policy and Practice Impact Award or “Mostly likely to lead to policy or practice change” Award would be given to the student whose CE project demonstrates a likelihood to lead
to policy or practice change at local, state, or organizational levels. Any faculty member can nominate a student [here](#). Nominations are requested by 5/2/18 but will be accepted until COB 5/4/18.

**Excellence in Community Leadership Award:** The Excellence in Community Leadership Award recognizes a student’s sustained commitment to community health through volunteerism and/or involvement in a defined community (local, regional or international). Any faculty member can nominate a student [here](#). Students can also self-nominate or nominate a peer – student nominations are due by 4/20/18. Awards Committee members review nominations and select a winner. Nominations are requested by 5/2/18 but will be accepted until COB 5/4/18.

**PCH Chair Award:** The PCH Chair Award will be given to the most outstanding student citizen in the MPH program in PCH. Criteria include high GPA, active involvement in departmental affairs, and demonstrated leadership or service to the department or school. Any faculty member can nominate a student [here](#). Students can also self-nominate or nominate a peer – student nominations are due by 4/20/18. Awards Committee members will review nominations and make recommendation to the PCH Chair. The winner’s name will be listed in the Academic Awards Ceremony program to be held on May 18, 2018.

Any questions and concerns can be directed to Olga Acosta Price ([caprice@gwu.edu](mailto:caprice@gwu.edu))