UNLV PSYCHOLOGY UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

The UNLV Department of Psychology is pleased to announce awards for UNLV Psychology Majors (current undergrads only)! Winners will be selected by a committee of UNLV Psychology professors and submissions are judged on (1) accomplishments (both academic and other activities) and (2) writing quality of the submission. Awards will be distributed during a ceremony at the end of the spring semester.

AWARDS:
1. **Outstanding Psychology Junior or Senior**
2. **Outstanding Psychology First-Year or Sophomore**
3. **Outstanding Psychology Online Student**
4. **Psychology Service Contribution**
5. **Psychology Non-Traditional Path**

NOTE #1: Specific descriptions of each award (including eligibility for each one) are included on PAGE 2 of this announcement.

NOTE #2: Students are allowed to apply for more than one award.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:
(1) Students – please nominate yourself by following these instructions.
(2) At the top of your submission essay, please list (a) the award, (b) your full name, and (c) your email.
(3) Write a 400-word essay (NOTE: Please keep the essay to one page, single-spaced) where you describe your accomplishments. Follow the guidelines for the award that are listed on page 2.
(4) Please save your write-up as a PDF and name it like this: "**LastName_AwardName**".
(5) All awards require that you submit an unofficial transcript (these are available in MyUNLV). Please name that file like this: "**LastName_Transcript**".
(6) Send all materials in an email (with the subject line as "awards") to: **david.copeland@unlv.edu**

DEADLINE:
Submissions must be received by ***<u>Thu March 27, 2025 at 11:59pm!</u>***

<SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS ARE ON PAGE 2>

(1) OUTSTANDING PSYCHOLOGY JUNIOR OR SENIOR

Eligibility: Psychology major with 60 or more credits completed (as noted on your transcript)
Instructions: Describe your most important academic achievements (e.g., GPA, minor or second major, certificates, scholarships, etc.), psychology research accomplishments, career-preparation activities, and other relevant accomplishments (e.g., this can include student club or volunteer roles).

(2) OUTSTANDING PSYCHOLOGY FIRST-YEAR OR SOPHOMORE

Eligibility: Psychology major with 59 or fewer credits completed (as noted on your transcript)
Instructions: Describe your most important academic achievements (e.g., GPA, minor or second major, certificates, scholarships, etc.), psychology research accomplishments, career-preparation activities, and other relevant accomplishments (e.g., this can include student club or volunteer roles).

(3) OUTSTANDING PSYCHOLOGY ONLINE STUDENT AWARD

Eligibility: Psychology major with over 90% of credits earned online
Instructions: Describe your most important academic achievements (e.g., GPA, minor or second major, certificates, scholarships, etc.), psychology research accomplishments, career-preparation activities, and other relevant accomplishments (e.g., this can include student club or volunteer roles).

(4) PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE CONTRIBUTION AWARD

Eligibility: Psychology major
Instructions: Describe your meaningful service work – this should primarily include volunteer work. Psychology-related activities will be focused on the most by the committee, but you can also include activities that are not directly connected to psychology. You can describe any service activities (UNLV or community) – clearly convey your role and contribution (what exactly did you do?), length of time, and relatedness to psychology (if any).

(5) PSYCHOLOGY NON-TRADITIONAL PATH AWARD

Eligibility: Psychology major over the age of 25 years
Instructions: You can describe your academic achievements (e.g., GPA, minor or second major, certificates, scholarships, etc.), research or career-prep activities, as well as how you overcame adversity, started / returned to college at an older age, or took a non-traditional path (this can include things like military service).