

## **ALE RISING STAR: EARLY CAREER LEADERSHIP & SERVICE AWARD INFORMATION**

This award recognizes an early career ALE member whose leadership and service upholds and embodies our association's mission: *to strengthen and sustain the expertise of professional leadership educators.*

**Eligibility:** Nominees must meet the following eligibility criteria.

- Applicants must be ALE members in good standing at time of award application submission. Please verify this before you submit the application.
- Applicants must have achieved less than 5 years of professional service in their respective field.
- Applicants may not have already received the award.
- Applicants may self-nominate or be nominated by another member of ALE.
- Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation (one being the nominator, if not self-nominated). It is strongly preferred this recommendation letter comes from an ALE member. One is strongly preferred to be from an ALE member, and one can be from a colleague/supervisor/former or current student.
- Applicants must have made a significant contribution of leadership and service to the Association of Leadership Educators and/or the field of leadership education.

### **Recommendation Letters (Should be combined with and included in the PDF file uploaded.)**

The recommendation letters should provide support by addressing:

1. Nature of relationship to the nominee
2. A description of the nominee's professional role
3. Description of leadership and service and/or scholarly contributions to the association and/or broader field of leadership education
4. Explanation of how this member upholds and embodies ALE mission
5. Other significant information

**If nominating another ALE member**, please be sure to include the contact information of both the nominator and nominee (name, address, email address, phone) as requested in the nomination portal. It is expected that the *nominator* would collect all application materials, including the additional recommendation letter, and *submit as a single PDF file* on behalf of nominee.

**Selection:** One recipient will be selected by the ALE Awards and Recognition Committee.

**Presentation:** Award will consist of a \$500 honorarium from ALE, a recognition item (determined by the committee), and recognition at the annual Conference.

**All applications due by 11:59 pm (PDT), Monday, April 2, 2020.**

**Submit application including all documents listed above as one PDF file through the [online Awards Application portal](#).**

Questions about this award should be directed to:

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