



SOAR AWARDS

SOAR Award Descriptions

- **First Year Student Leader of the Year:** This award is presented to a first year student who exemplifies leadership through campus or community involvement. The recipient of this award has helped our community envision the future, identify paths to success, and carry out a vision. This student has exhibited integrity, collaboration, and intellectual, emotional and social growth.
- **Sophomore Student Leader of the Year:** This award is presented to a Sophomore student who exemplifies leadership through campus or community involvement. The recipient of this award has helped our community envision the future, identify paths to success, and carry out a vision. This student has exhibited integrity, collaboration, and intellectual, emotional and social growth.
- **Junior Student Leader of the Year:** This award is presented to a Junior student who exemplifies leadership through campus or community involvement. The recipient of this award has helped our community envision the future, identify paths to success, and carry out a vision. This student has exhibited integrity, collaboration, and intellectual, emotional and social growth.
- **Senior Student Leader of the Year:** This award is presented to a Senior student who exemplifies leadership through campus or community involvement. The recipient of this award has helped our community envision the future, identify paths to success, and carry out a vision. This student has exhibited integrity, collaboration, and intellectual, emotional and social growth.



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- **Outstanding Student Leader of the Year:** This award is presented to a student who exemplifies leadership through campus or community involvement. The recipient of this award has helped our community envision the future, identify paths to success, and carry out a vision. This student has exhibited integrity, collaboration, and intellectual, emotional and social growth.
- **Outstanding Emerging Leader:** This award recognizes a student who demonstrates outstanding initiative and contribution within the campus community. This student is dependable, dedicated to an organization, group or team and has shown significant positive growth in their leadership skills and consistent implementation of their leadership talents.
- **Living Our Values Award:** This award is presented to the student who exemplifies personal character, a genuine care and concern for fellow students, as well as a selfless commitment to the betterment of others in the community. This student is a true Demon Deacon, embraces our motto “Pro Humanitate” and is a positive role model to others.
- **The Bridge Builder Award:** This award recognizes a student who has worked to establish or support connections between individuals and/ or groups to raise awareness, share knowledge, and provide solutions to community issues while creating a sense of belonging in the Wake Forest Community. The areas of connection may include campaigns, collaborative events, exploration of diverse cultures, and educational programs on issues that are challenging the campus community.
- **Unsung Hero Award:** This award recognizes a student who makes substantive yet often unrecognized contributions to their organization or the Wake Forest community. This individual will have demonstrated consistent service and leadership within their organization from behind the scenes. This recipient has a positive attitude, a willingness to help in whatever capacity necessary and a commitment to excellence.



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- **Student Organization of the Year:** This award recognizes a chartered student organization that has made an exceptional contribution to the quality of campus life at Wake Forest University. This organization collaborated with other student groups and campus departments in an effort to better serve the student body. They worked effectively and efficiently as a team to achieve their mission through programs, service, and organizational development.
- **Thrive Student Award:** The student receiving this award has demonstrated ongoing commitment and leadership in developing a culture of positive wellbeing within the Wake Forest community. The student must meet the following criteria in the areas of leadership development, adoption and modeling of wellbeing practices, and community engagement to be considered for the Thrive Student Award: The student: 1)Engages and champions student voices to set the course for building a healthy campus community, 2) Increases accessibility of wellbeing opportunities for every student (with the help of campus partners), 3)Participates in personal wellbeing practices that promote balance and harmony in their lives. 4) Promotes the eight dimensions of Thrive and/or priority wellbeing topics (mental health promotion, alcohol and substance abuse prevention, or sexual violence prevention).
- **New Student Organization of the Year:** This award recognizes a newly chartered organization that has exhibited teamwork, leadership, organization operations..... This student organization has accomplished their goals, participated in and planned campus events, adheres to campus policies and procedures, and promotes campus unity and community.



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- **Event of the Year:** This award is presented to a student organization that hosted an outstanding event for the Wake Forest University community during the current academic year. This organization successfully navigated the event planning process, exhibited critical thinking and problem-solving skills, welcomed a diverse population of participants, and enriched the co-curricular experience of Wake Forest students.
- **Outstanding Collaboration of the Year:** This award acknowledges two or more recognized student organizations for their effort to collaboratively organize and implement a campus program, project or event. This award seeks to encourage student organizations to demonstrate a collaborative spirit by working with other organizations to achieve a common goal. The nominees should explain how working collaboratively contributed to the success and impact of the program.
- **Advisor of the Year Award:** This award is presented to a staff or faculty member who has demonstrated exceptional organizational advisement and/or personal mentoring. This individual has gone above and beyond the basic expectations of an advisor and has challenged and motivated the organization to excel and succeed.
- **Advisor Achievement Award:** This award recognizes an experienced advisor who has had a positive impact on a student organization and the university community. This individual demonstrates strong advising skills, is readily available to students and other advisors, and takes great strides to help the organization's leaders. This recipient demonstrates dedication to the overall success of the student organization through the giving of their time, guidance and direction.



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- **Campus Partners Award:** This award is presented to a person or department that has gone above and beyond to assist an organization or organizations with planning and execution of successful campus wide programs. This recipient assists in the development of student organizations and student leaders.
- **Thrive Student Organization Award:** The organization receiving this award has demonstrated ongoing commitment, implemented programs, and engaged students in developing a culture of positive wellbeing within the Wake Forest community. The organization must meet the following criteria in the areas of program planning, organizational policy, and/or outreach to be considered for the Thrive Student Organization Award. The organization: 1) Participates in team building opportunities that promote wellbeing within the organization; such as, group programs, skills-building workshops, and/or conferences that promote any of the eight dimensions of Thrive. 2) Promotes, demonstrates, and provides campus opportunities related to the eight dimensions of Thrive and/or priority areas (e.g. stress/mental health, sexual violence prevention, alcohol and substance abuse prevention), 3) Promotes and demonstrates the benefits of a balanced academic and social life. Self-nominating organizations must submit a portfolio showcasing how the organization has exemplified the above criteria during the 2019-2020 academic year, along with narrative explaining the organization's accomplishments related to the Thrive Award. The portfolio may be submitted in the following forms, but are not limited to: PowerPoint, brochure, Prezi presentation, etc.
- **Chinuntdet-Crowe Leadership Scholarship:** This scholarship is presented to a student who has excelled in campus leadership. They have demonstrated exceptional leadership skills by extensive involvement in, and leadership of, student organizations recognized by Wake Forest University.