SUMMARY of PA Program Awards

Award	Description	Eligibility	Nomination	Selection Criteria
1. **PA Program Academic Achievement (Student Award)**	Academic Achievement of a graduating Physician Assistant student	A Year 2 BScPA Student in good standing	n/a	Student with the highest cumulative grade point average (cGPA) in their cohort, upon program completion (15 credits)
2. **PA Student of the Year (Student Award)**	Demonstration of exemplary qualities of a Physician Assistant by a Year 2 PA student	A Year 2 BScPA Student in good standing	Nominated by peers, self, faculty or PA/MD teachers	Excellent example of: - collaborates - service - leadership - advocates - scholarly activities - professional
3. **PA Student Clinical Excellence Award (Student Award)** **NEW for 2019**	Demonstration of clinical excellence by a Year 2 PA student in his/her clinical rotations	A Year 2 BScPA Student in good standing	Nominated by preceptors	Excellent example of all CANMED-PA roles in the clinical environment
4. **PA Student Leadership Award (Student Award)** **NEW for 2019**	Demonstration of strong leadership skills by a PA student throughout the BScPA program	A Year 2 BScPA Student in good standing	Nominated by peers, and/or faculty	Excellent leadership skills for the duration of the BScPA program
5. **PA Student Scholarly Excellence Award (Student Award)** **NEW for 2019**	Excellence in the Year 2 QI project by a Year 2 student	A Year 2 student who has completed a Quality Improvement Project	PAP269 EBM Course director nominates top 3 QI projects to the Awards committee	Scholarly work that contributes to quality improvement with the potential positive impact on patient care/ health care system
6. **PA Ethical Decision-Making Award** **NEW for 2019**	Excellence in the Ethical Decision-Making paper by a Year 2 student	A year 2 student who has completed and passed the Year 2 Ethics course	PAP265 Ethics Course director nominates top 3 papers to the Awards committee	Scholarly work exemplifies a model of ethical decision making to a clinical situation
7. **PA Excellence in Teaching Award (Faculty Award)**	Outstanding teaching in the BScPA Program	Any teacher (including facilitators and preceptors) in the BScPA Program	Nominated by students	Contributes to student learning as a role model for others Commitment to quality teaching

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8. PA Role Model Award (Faculty Award)	Outstanding Physician Assistant involved in the BScPA Program	Canadian Certified Physician Assistant involved in the BScPA Program	Nominated by students, peers, self, faculty or PA/MD teachers	Demonstrates the key roles that define a Physician Assistant
9. Faculty Scholar Excellence Award (Faculty Award) ****NEW for 2019****	Demonstration of excellent scholarly work by a BScPA teacher	BScPA Faculty member, teacher/facilitator, or teaching assistant who has published or presented scholarly work at the local, provincial, national or international level	Nominated by students, peers, self, faculty or PA/MD teachers	Publication/presentation that has impact on PA education or health care system
10. PA Preceptor Excellence Award (Preceptor Award) ****NEW for 2019****	Excellence in the clinical environment by an MD or PA preceptor for the BScPA program	Any MD or PA preceptor involved in the BScPA Program who works with a BScPA learner in the clinical environment	Nominated by students	Clinician involved with the PA program who demonstrates excellence in all CANMEDS/ CANMEDS-PA roles
10. PA Rising Star Award (Alumna Award)	Outstanding contributions to the PA Profession by an alumna/alumnus of the BScPA Program	A graduate of the BScPA Program	Nominated by peers, self, faculty or PA/MD teachers	- collaborates - service - leadership - advocates - scholarly activities - professional

*See full award descriptions below for more detail

Sept 1 - Aug 31	Award Nomination Period – Deadline is Aug 31st at 5pm
Sept 1 – Sep 30	Awards Committee to Review and rank according to rubric based on the selection criteria
Mid October	Awards committee meeting to finalize Awards

Award Committee Composition (to be composed every September of 3 members not nominated for any Awards in that year):
- 1 Program Director
- 1 Medical Director
- Year 1 and Year 2 Admissions and Selections, and Awards Committee Representative
- (committee membership will be adjusted if a member is nominated for any Program Award)

Student Awards

1. PA Program Academic Achievement Award

Description
- ➢ To recognize the Academic Achievement of a graduating Physician Assistant student

Eligibility
- ➢ The Year 2 BScPA Student in good standing

Nomination & Selection Criteria
- ➢ Determined by Program Director in August, annually, to a graduating student , with the highest cumulative grade point average (cGPA) in their cohort, upon program completion (15 credits)

Award Logistics
- ➢ Graduate notified by email, official letter and award provided at Fall Convocation event

2. PA Student of the Year

Description
- ➢ To recognize a Year 2 PA student for demonstrating exemplary qualities of a Physician Assistant

Eligibility
- ➢ Any Year 2 BScPA Student in good standing
- ➢ Winners of another PA student Award, are not eligible for this award

Nomination
- ➢ Nominated by peers, self, faculty or PA/MD teachers
- ➢ Nomination is to include:
    - Full name of the nominee
    - Name, title and professional designation of the nominator and relationship to nominee
    - Up to 1000 character statement describing:
- ➢ A summary of the known contributions supporting the nomination
    - The impact of these contributions on others

Selection Criteria
- ➢ Judged by the Awards committee
- ➢ Criteria to include any of:
    - Collaborates with others
    - Provides service to advance the PA profession
    - Demonstrated leadership in local, regional or national activities
    - Advocates for patients and the community
    - Participates in scholarly activities related to the practice of medicine
    - Demonstrates professional, respectful and ethical behavior

Award Logistics
- ➤ Graduate notified by email, official letter and award provided at Fall Convocation event

3. PA Student Clinical Excellence

Description
- ➤ To recognize a Year 2 PA student for demonstrating clinical excellence in his/her clinical rotations

Eligibility
- ➤ Any Year 2 BScPA Student in good standing
- ➤ Winners of another PA student Award, are not eligible for this award

Nomination
- ➤ Nominated by preceptors
- ➤ Nomination is to include:
    - Full name of the nominee
    - Name, title and professional designation of the nominator and relationship to nominee
    - Up to 1000 character statement describing:
        - o A summary of the known contributions supporting the nomination
        - o Examples of the student demonstrating clinical excellence

Selection Criteria
- ➤ Judged by the Awards committee
- ➤ Excellent example of all CanMEDS-PA roles as demonstrated in the clinical environment

4. PA Student Leadership Award

Description
- ➤ To recognize a Year 2 student who has demonstrated strong leadership skills throughout the BScPA Program

Eligibility
- ➤ Any Year 2 BScPA Student in good standing
- ➤ Winners of another PA student Award, are not eligible for this award

Nomination
- ➤ Nominated by peers, and/or faculty
- ➤ Nomination is to include:
    - Full name of the nominee
    - Name, title and professional designation of the nominator and relationship to nominee
    - Up to 1000 character statement describing:
    - A summary of the known contributions supporting the nomination
    - Examples of the student demonstrating leadership excellence

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Selection Criteria
- ➢ Judged by the Awards committee
- ➢ Criteria to include:
  - Excellent leadership skills during the program

5. PA Student Scholarly Excellence Award

Description
- ➢ To recognize a Year 2 student who has shown excellence in their Year 2 Quality Improvement (QI) project

Eligibility
- ➢ Any Year 2 student who has completed a Quality Improvement Project
- ➢ Winners of another PA student Award, are not eligible for this award

Nomination
- ➢ PAP265 Evidence Based Medicine (EBM) Course director nominates top 3 QI projects
  Nomination is to include:
  - Full name, title of QI project
  - The abstract of the QI project proposal

Selection Criteria
- ➢ Judged by the Awards committee
- ➢ Criteria to include:
  - Scholarly work that contributes to Quality Improvement with the potential positive impact on patient care/ health care system

6. PA Ethical Decision-Making Award

Description
- ➢ To recognize a Year 2 student who has shown excellence in their Year Ethical Decision-Making Final paper

Eligibility
- ➢ Any Year 2 student who has completed the PAP269 Ethics course
- ➢ Winners of another PA student Award, are not eligible for this award

Nomination
  - PAP269 Ethics Course director selects best 3 papers which exemplifies the use of a model of ethical decision making in a clinical case. These are submitted to the Awards Committee

Selection Criteria
- ➢ Judged by the Awards committee as to the final award recipient

- ➢ Criteria to include:
    - - Scholarly work that incorporates ethical decision making in a clinical case.

Faculty Awards

7. PA Excellence in Teaching Award

Description
- ➢ To recognize outstanding teaching in the BScPA Program

Eligibility
- ➢ A teacher in the BScPA Program; may be a course director, TA, guest facilitator, guest speaker, or preceptor
- ➢ Individuals who won this award in the previous 3 years are ineligible
- ➢ Nominees are not required to have DFCM faculty appointment
- ➢ Nominees may be from any clinical discipline or have an equivalent designation of expertise

Nomination
- ➢ Nominated by students
- ➢ Nomination is to include:
    - - Full name, title, and professional designation of the nominee
    - - Name of the nominator
    - - Up to 1000 character statement describing:
        - o A summary of the known contributions supporting the nomination
        - o The impact of these contributions on students

Selection Criteria
- ➢ Judged by the Awards committee
- ➢ Criteria to include any of:
    - - Contributes to student learning as a role model for others
    - - Commitment to quality teaching:
        - o Accessibility to supporting student achievement
        - o Innovative teaching methods
        - o Excellent organizational skills
        - o Stimulates critical thinking in students
        - o Demonstrates enthusiasm for subject matter

Award Logistics
- ➢ Winner is notified by email, official letter and award provided at Fall Convocation events

8. PA Role Model Award

Description

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> ➢ To recognize an outstanding Physician Assistant involved in the BScPA Program

Eligibility
> ➢ A Physician Assistant involved in the BScPA Program; may be related to teaching, mentoring, collaborating, or supporting (includes course directors, TAs, guest facilitators, guest speakers, and preceptors)
> ➢ Individuals who won this award in the previous 3 years are ineligible
> ➢ Nominees are not required to have DFCM faculty appointment
> ➢ Nominees must be a Canadian Certified Physician Assistant

Nomination
> ➢ Nominated by students, peers, self, faculty or PA teachers
> ➢ Nomination is to include:
>   - Full name, title, and professional designation of the nominee
>   - Name, title and professional designation of the nominator and relationship to nominee
>   - Up to 1000 character statement describing:
>   o A summary of the known contributions supporting the nomination
>   o The impact of these contributions on students

Selection Criteria
> ➢ Judged by the Awards committee
> ➢ Criteria to include any of:
>   - Demonstrates the key roles that define a Physician Assistant, as a:
>   o Medical Expert
>   o Communicator
>   o Collaborator
>   o Leader
>   o Health Advocate
>   o Scholar
>   o Professional

9. <u>Faculty Scholar Award</u>

Description
> ➢ To recognize a BScPA Faculty member, teacher/facilitator or teaching assistant who has demonstrated excellent scholarly work

Eligibility
> ➢ BScPA faculty member, teacher/facilitator or teaching assistant who has published or presented scholarly work at the local, provincial, national or international level

Nomination
> ➢ Nominated by students, peers, self, faculty or PA/MD teachers
> ➢ Nomination is to include:
>   - Full name, title, and professional designation of the nominee
>   - Name, title and professional designation of the nominator and relationship to nominee
>   - Up to 1000 character statement describing:

- o A summary of the scholarly work
- o Why this is a demonstration of excellent scholarly work
- o Link to the work (if available)

Selection Criteria
- ➢ Judged by the Awards committee
- ➢ Criteria to include:
  - o Impact on PA education or health care system

10. PA Preceptor Excellence Award

Description
- ➢ To recognize an MD or PA preceptor for the BScPA program who has shown excellence in the clinical environment

Eligibility
- ➢ Any MD or PA preceptor who works with a BScPA learner in the clinical environment

Nomination
- ➢ Nominated by students at the end of their evaluation forms
- ➢ Nomination is to include:
  - - Full name, title, and professional designation of the nominee
  - - Name of the nominator
  - - Up to 1000 character statement describing:
    - o A summary of the known contributions supporting the nomination
    - o Examples of the preceptor demonstrating clinical excellence

Selection Criteria
- ➢ Judged by the Awards committee
- ➢ Criteria to include:
  - - Demonstration of excellence in all CANMEDS/ CANMEDS-PA roles

Alumni Award

11. PA Rising Star Award

Description
- ➢ To recognize an alumna/alumnus of the BScPA Program for their outstanding contributions to the PA Profession

Eligibility
- ➢ A graduate of the BScPA Program
- ➢ Individuals who won this award in the previous 10 years are ineligible

Nomination

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- ➢ Nominated by peers, self, faculty or PA/MD teachers
- ➢ Nomination is to include:
  - Full name, title, and professional designation of the nominee
  - Name, title and professional designation of the nominator and relationship to nominee
  - Up to 1000 character statement describing:
    - ○ A summary of the known contributions supporting the nomination
    - ○ The impact of these contributions on students

Selection Criteria
- ➢ Judged by the Awards committee
- ➢ Criteria to include any of:
  - Collaborates with others
  - Provides service to advance the PA profession
  - Demonstrated leadership in local, regional or national activities
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