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# ICSM Colours Policy

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## Criteria

The below prizes are designed to give thanks and recognition to individuals who have given years of dedicated service to the ICSM Students' Union and the life of the Medical School.

Honorary awards may be given to exceptional individuals who are not registered members of the Union. **They are generally, but not exclusively, reserved for final year students.**

- **ICSM Colours** are awarded to individuals highly involved in **ICSM** clubs and societies, the Students' Union, academic and pastoral representation, who are **well rounded** and who repeatedly turn up and support the work of others.
- **ICSM Outstanding Service Awards** are awarded to individuals who have, in addition to the requirements for Colours, repeatedly gone above and beyond their role to enhance the life of ICSM.
- **ICSM Fellowships** are awarded to individuals who have continuously served the Students' Union and enhanced the student experience in an exceptional manner over a number of years. Typically few (if any) of these are awarded every year.
- **The Sir Roger Bannister Prize** is awarded to individuals who have represented us nationally or have excelled exceptionally in a range of sports during their time at ICSM.
- **The Dr. Michael Schachter Prize (New)** is awarded to individuals who have excelled exceptionally or contributed heavily to the field of the Arts during their time at ICSM, usually over a number of years.



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## Awards

The awards should be presented at the ICSMSU Shrove Tuesday Final Year Dinner:

- **ICSM Colours** holders will be given a certificate, signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a free ICSM Colours Pin and a free ICSM Colours Tie or Scarf.
- **ICSM Outstanding Service Award** holders will be given a certificate, signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a free ICSM Colours Pin, a free ICSM Colours Tie or Scarf, and a tankard.
- **Sir Roger Bannister Prize** winners will be given a certificate, signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a free ICSM Colours Pin, a free ICSM Colours Tie or Scarf, and a mantelpiece.
- **Dr. Michael Schachter Prize (New)** winners will be given a certificate, signed by the ICSMSU President and an executive member of the ICSM Alumni Association, a free ICSM Colours Pin, a free ICSM Colours Tie or Scarf, and a mantelpiece. This award is kindly funded by the ICSM Alumni Association, of which Dr Schachter served as honorary president.
- **ICSM Fellowship** holders will be given a certificate, signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a free ICSM Colours Pin, a free ICSM Colours Tie or Scarf, and a mantelpiece.
  - If they become members of the ICSM Alumni Association, they are entitled to complimentary tickets to ICSMSU events. They will be expected, but not required, to make a donation to the event. They will be required to give at least two weeks' notice to the event organiser if they intend to take advantage of this privilege. If the event is likely to sell out, the event organiser has the right to charge them the student price.
  - These events include:
    - Freshers' Fortnight & Freshers' Ball
    - RAG Week
    - Bops at the Reynolds Bar
    - Comedy, Jazz, Quiz, Bands Nights at the Reynolds Bar
    - RAG Halloween Ball
    - Snow Ball
    - RAG Valentines Ball
    - Shrove Tuesday Final Year Dinner After-party
  - They are eligible to pay student prices for the following events:
    - The Arts or Sports Dinner
    - Shrove Tuesday Final Year Dinner



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## Affiliated Prizes

### ICSM Alumni Prize

The **ICSM Alumni Prize** is a separate prize, which has been created with the intention of highly commending a member of the medical school whilst increasing the awareness of ICSM Alumni to past and present students. The prize should be an award that recognises the impact an individual has had in **increasing the positive awareness of ICSM beyond the ICSM community**. The criteria for those nominated should illustrate:

- Participation in local, national or international bodies. These may include activities that are: political, social, medical, educational, or contributing to the arts.
- Dedication to voluntary or community based projects undertaken as an ICSM representative, which draw positive attention to the medical school.
- To be given to an individual who may not necessarily have been prominent within the medical school but who has nevertheless contributed greatly to positive awareness of ICSM.

The Colours Committee will provide recommendations for this prize to the Executive Committee of the ICSM Alumni Association.

The **ICSM Alumni Prize** will also be presented at the Shrove Tuesday Final Year Dinner and winners will be given a certificate, signed by the ICMSU President and an executive member of the ICSM Alumni Association, and a gift from the ICSM Alumni Association.



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## Choosing the Winners

Only School of Medicine (ICSM) students can nominate individuals for these awards. Any student within ICSM may nominate and be nominated for an award:

- Nominations should be open for at least 2 weeks (normally longer).
- Nominations should be made in writing to the ICSMSU President or via an official signposted submissions form.
- Students may not nominate themselves.

Once the nomination period has closed, the Colours Committee should convene within a few weeks before the awards are given out. The Colours Committee should consist of:

- The ICSMSU President
- The ICSMSU President-elect
- At least 3 members of the ICSMSU Executive Committee
- At least 2 members of staff within the Faculty of Medicine
- At least 1 member of the ICSM Alumni Association Executive Committee

The decision of the Colours Committee is final. The colours committee may choose the number of awards which are given out and to whom they are given. Not all the awards need to be given out every year.