



ICSMSU Awards Policy

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Introduction

We have such an incredibly diverse and talented community of students here who contribute so much to our student life throughout their time. As students, we know that what we do outside of our lecture theatres is just as important as what goes on inside of it. It is the experiences, memories, and skills that we develop along the way that enriches our lives and makes our community what it is.

As an SU, we run various sets of awards to recognise all the many contributions our students make outside of the curriculum. These include contributions to our clubs and societies, the Students' Union, academic and pastoral representation, and even those who are simply well-rounded and turn up to support and facilitate the work of others.

There are other ways you can be recognised for your achievements in other areas, including the ICSM Faculty's academic prizes for exam performance, as well as Imperial College Union's Student Choice Awards which recognises extracurricular achievements across the whole College including **outside of ICSM**.

A full list of our past Awards winners is available on our SU website and can be accessed at <https://www.icsmsu.com/awards/>.



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SMHA Outstanding Service Awards

The St Mary's Hospital Association (SMHA) Outstanding Service Award is presented to up to 3 medical students who have reached the halfway point of their course. It recognises those who have and gone above—and-beyond and contributed the most to the wider, extra-curricular student experience and reputation of the medical school beyond academia during their first **three** years at ICSM.

Criteria

These awards are reserved for medical students who have reached the halfway point of their course. **They are generally, but not exclusively, reserved for fourth year (BSc) students.** Graduate-entry students remain eligible despite skipping their BSc year.

The Outstanding Service Awards shall be awarded to students who have gone **above and beyond** in contributing to the **wider, extra-curricular** student experience in their **first three years** at ICSM.

This includes 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.

Any activities, roles, and achievements by nominees after the end of their 3rd year remain ineligible and shall be discarded for the purposes of selection for this award.

Awards

Winners are announced by the Chairman of the SMHA at the Halfway Dinner, and recipients shall be provided with a certificate signed by the ICSMSU President and an executive member of the St Mary's Hospital Association, along with a prize donation of £200 awarded to each of its recipients.

NB: Prize amounts may vary year-on-year and is due to the discretion of the SMHA.

Recipients are usually encouraged to attend the subsequent meeting of the St Mary's Hospital Association and discuss their achievements and contributions with its members. They may also be invited to submit a letter of acknowledgement for publication in the Gazette.



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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 medical students who have completed their first 3 years may be nominated for an award:

- Nominations should be open for at least 2 weeks.
- 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 ICSMSU General Committee (excluding its members currently in 4th year who are thus eligible for receipt of this award) should convene within a few weeks before the awards are given out and put forwards their final recommendations to the SMHA for confirmation. Once approved, this decision is final.

The 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.



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Colours Policy (MBBS)

Colours are annual awards run by the ICSM Students' Union to give thanks and recognition to individuals who have given years of dedicated service to the ICSM Students' Union and the student life of the Medical School, including those who are 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.

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 student 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.**

- **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.
- **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.
- **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** 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:

- **Colours** holders will receive a certificate signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a Phoenix Colours Pin and a Phoenix Colours Tie or Scarf.
- **Outstanding Service Award** holders will receive a certificate signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a Phoenix Colours Pin, a Phoenix Colours Tie or Scarf, and a tankard.
- **Sir Roger Bannister Prize** winners will receive a certificate signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a Phoenix Colours Pin, a Phoenix Colours Tie or Scarf, and a mantelpiece.
- **Dr. Michael Schachter Prize** winners will receive a certificate signed by the ICSMSU President and an executive member of the ICSM Alumni Association, a Phoenix Colours Pin, a Phoenix 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.
- **Fellowship** holders will receive a certificate signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a Phoenix Colours Pin, a Phoenix 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
 - 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, Sports or Volunteering & Academics recognition Dinner
 - Shrove Tuesday Final Year Dinner



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Affiliated Prizes

The 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 represents an award that recognises the impact an individual 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 Alumni Prize will also be presented at the Shrove Tuesday Final Year Dinner and winners will be given a certificate signed by the ICSMSU 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 any medical student may 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.



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Colours Policy (BMB)

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Criteria

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

Honorary awards may be given to exceptional individuals who are not registered members of the Union.

- **BMB 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.
- **BMB 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.

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The awards should be presented at the ICSMSU BMB Society Graduates' Dinner:

- **BMB Colours** holders will receive a certificate, signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, and a Phoenix Colours Pin.
- **BMB Outstanding Service Award** holders will receive a certificate, signed by the ICSMSU President and a senior member of the Faculty of Medicine, a Phoenix Colours Pin, and a Phoenix Colours Tie or Scarf.

Fellowships may be awarded to exceptional candidates by the discretion of the committee.



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- 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 BMB Colours Committee should convene within a few weeks before the awards are given out. The BMB Colours Committee should consist of:

- The ICSMSU President
- The ICSMSU President-elect
- The BMB Society President
- At least 1 member of the ICSMSU Executive Committee
- At least 1 member of staff within the Faculty of Medicine

The decision of the BMB Colours Committee is final. The 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.