

Pioneering Spirit Award

The Student Life Division Diversity Action Team (DAT) Advisory Board is accepting nominations for the 2011 Pioneering Spirit Award (formerly Pioneers in Action Leadership Award).

Award Rationale

The Pioneering Spirit (PS) Award was developed to celebrate and recognize students whose accomplishments may go unnoticed because they are not able to engage in traditional leadership opportunities. The PS Award is open to any undergraduate or graduate student who is a 'non-traditional' leader on the DU campus or in the Denver community. The following factors will be considered in selection PS Award recipients:

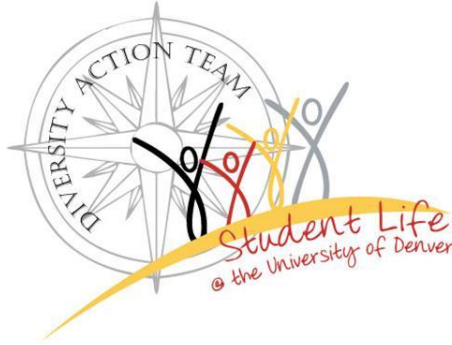
- The students may not have time to be as involved in campus-based activities because of financial, family, or personal situations. As a result, the student may contribute to campus leadership through the individual's unique life situation.
- The student may be balancing many priorities and is resourceful and creative in maintaining these priorities.
- The student may have already overcome many hurdles to work toward attaining academic and personal goals.
- The student may impact classroom environments because the individual's voice and experience changes the dialogue and encourages other students to look at things from a different perspective.

Nomination Process

- Nominations for the Pioneering Spirit Award will be accepted from the DU Community members (i.e., students, staff, faculty, and alumni).
- Please submit the official PS Award application and nomination letter as a word document to Elizabeth Bidwell via email ebidwell@du.edu by 4 pm on **Friday, April 29, 2011**.

Notification Process

- The awards will be presented during the 2011 Pioneer Awards Ceremony which takes place on Thursday, May 19, 2011.
- All student nominees will receive notification via email of their PS Award nomination and an invitation to the Pioneer Award Ceremony where recipients will be announced.
- The recipients of the PS Award will receive a one hundred dollar (\$100.00) award.



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Nomination Application
2010-2011

Name of Nominee: _____

Contact information of nominee (email and phone): _____

Name of Person(s) Nominating: _____

Contact information of person nominating (email and phone): _____

Important Guidelines for Nomination Letter

- The nomination letter cannot exceed 1 typed page and must be attached to this application.
- The nomination letter must focus on the award factors listed under the heading 'Award Rationale' and detail the unique life experiences of the nominee and how this individual impacts the DU community.
- The **deadline** for submission is **Friday, April 29, 2011 by 4 pm**. No late nominations will be accepted.
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Thank you for your nomination.