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## 2013 Gordon Cressy Student Leadership Awards: Nomination Guidelines

The Gordon Cressy Student Leadership Awards recognize outstanding volunteer contributions made to the university and wider community.

**Nomination Eligibility**

- Only students currently enrolled at the University of Toronto may be nominated for a Cressy Award (full-time or part-time).  To be eligible they must:
  - be expected to graduate, or have graduated during the academic year in which they are nominated
  - have never received a Cressy Award previously during their academic career
  - be in good academic standing with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7 (B-) at the end of the previous academic session prior to the opening of the nomination period. Nomination packages for candidates who do not meet this standard must include a written appeal signed by the candidate's Registrar explaining why they should be considered. Appeals will be considered by the selection committee and granted only under extraordinary circumstances.

- A nominee should have reached a minimum threshold of at least one year of volunteer service (contributions made as part of a paid position are not eligible) in the form of any one, or a combination, of the following:
  - leadership on committees or influence on student or university affairs
  - improvement in the quality of life of students
  - contributions to the co-curricular experience
  - encouragement of fellow students to become involved in extra-curricular activities
  - contribution to the sense of community at U of T
  - volunteer service outside the university community will also be considered, but only as a compliment to contributions within the University Community

- Other points to consider when nominating a candidate:
  - leadership and involvement in relation to academic achievement
  - the value of the student's contribution, rather than the office or position held

**Nomination Procedure**

- Any member of the university community may nominate a candidate (including staff, faculty, alumni, and students).

- Nominations packages must be submitted to one of the designated Nomination Coordinators by **3:00 p.m. on FRIDAY DECEMBER 14, 2012**
  - Nominations may be submitted to whichever Nomination Coordinator the nominator feels is most appropriate relative to the students' affiliation and contributions, but nominations may only be submitted to one (1) Nomination Coordinator
  - Late or incomplete nominations will not be considered
  - A list of Nomination Coordinators and contacts is available at www.alumni.utoronto.ca/cressy
  - If you are unsure which Coordinator to submit your nomination to, contact jonathan.cheevers@utoronto.ca or 416-978-2221.

**Nomination Package**
- Each nomination package must consist of the following:
  - An official 2013 Cressy Award nomination form completed in full
  - An unofficial transcript or academic record from ROSI indicating a minimum CGPA of 2.7 (B-) at the end of the previous academic session
  - An up-to-date curriculum vitae or resume (preferably with an up-front summary of the student's key affiliations with committees, organizations, or groups with which they have been active on an extra-curricular basis both inside and outside the university if applicable)
  - A personal statement of 75 to 125 words written by the nominee. The statement should explain why the nominee's contributions should be considered for a Cressy Award.

- Nomination packages may be submitted either electronically or in print form
  - Electronic submissions should consist of a single .pdf document with no additional attachments and be e-mailed to the relevant Nomination Coordinator
  - Print submissions should be printed only on one side of the page (for scanning purposes), stapled or clipped, and submitted in an envelope addressed to the relevant Nomination Coordinator.