
Bernard Challenor Spirit Prize

The Bernard Challenor Spirit Prize is awarded to a student who exemplifies the spirit of Professor Bernard Challenor M.D., MPH. Dr. Challenor was a professor and interim Dean at the MSPH, who believed in the school as a community. He was the only faculty member who, at one time or another, taught in every department of the school. He continually made concerted efforts to create a sense of community for students and faculty that transcended departmental boundaries.

Eligibility Criteria:

Nominees Must:

- Be a graduating student (MPH, MHA, MS, DrPH, PhD)
- Be in good academic standing
- Have demonstrated initiative in creating a school community
- Have completed 3 or more activities that supported the development of community across departments
- Be known outside of their department for their contributions to creating community
- Submit an application by **Friday, April 12, 2024**

Nomination Process:

- Students can be nominated by self, peers, faculty, staff or administrators
- Nominees must submit nomination letters: either two separate letters, one from each category below; or one letter cosigned by at least one nominator from each category.
 - A member of his/her department
 - An individual external to the department
- Nomination letters must include 3 or more tangible examples of the nominee's initiative in developing and implementing programs to build community within the student body
- Nominee's academic standing will be verified by the Office of Student Affairs

Selection Process:

A committee of Columbia Mailman School members will select the award recipient. All students who are nominated will be notified of their nomination.

All required documentation must be [submitted online through Engage](#) by **Friday, April 12, 2024**