

The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award

The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation recognizes graduating medical students and faculty members who are **exemplars of humanism** in their care of patients.

New in 2022 – Award Agreement

Before	New in 2022
Grant agreement	Award agreement – updated language to ease administrative process
Paper/PDF agreement document	Online agreement form
Annual agreement	3-year agreement, with checkboxes acknowledging annual participation on Interim Report Form
Lengthy annual review process at some institutions	New procedures aim to streamline the process
Procedures & Criteria	Updated document with language about award revocation and guidance on developing a fair and equitable nomination process that draws from a diverse and inclusive pool of candidates, such as including all graduating medical students rather than limiting to the GHHS membership pool.
n/a	Tow recipients honored in searchable list on the Gold Foundation website

About the program

- Available to accredited medical schools in U.S. and Canada (MD and DO)
- One graduating medical student and one faculty member honored per school
- Awardees receive a certificate and check
- Tow awardees become Gold Humanism Honor Society (GHHS) members
- How to apply instructions on website



Expectation of Tow honorees

The Gold Foundation champions humanism in healthcare, which we define as compassionate, collaborative, and scientifically excellent care. Those honored by the Gold Foundation with the Tow Award are expected to reflect these values in daily practice and to continuously strive to be exemplars of humanism in healthcare.



Eligibility requirements

- Honorees do not have to be a member of GHHS
- Faculty honorees are MD or DO and/or faculty member with substantial clinical teaching responsibilities
- Faculty honorees cannot have received a Tow award in the last 5 years
- No self-nominations



Selection process

- See Tow Procedures & Criteria document for nominee characteristics
- Draw from a diverse and inclusive pool of eligible students
- Options include: committee, survey, request for reflections on humanism
- Must yield a clear understanding of nominee's humanistic qualities



Timeline



JANUARY-MARCH

Complete Award Agreement Form



MARCH 15 or 60 DAYS BEFORE CEREMONY

School Submits Interim Report



PRIOR TO SPRING CEREMONY Gold Foundation sends award package



JULY or 30 DAYS AFTER CEREMONY School submits Final Report

Interim report: https://www.gold-foundation.org/programs/leonard-tow-humanism-in-medicine-award-agreement/





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Interim Report

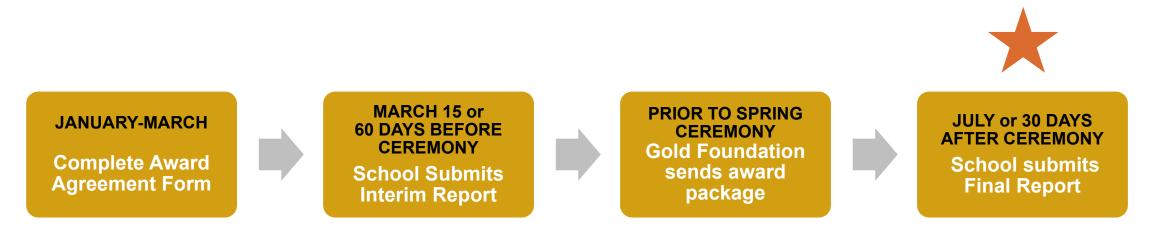


Interim report: https://www.gold-foundation.org/programs/leonard-tow-humanism-in-medicine-awards-interim-report-form/





Final Report



Interim report: https://www.gold-foundation.org/programs/leonard-tow-humanism-in-medicine-awards-final-report-form/





Additional Features on Website

- Searchable list of Tow Award recipients
- Tow check form to provide current mailing address
- New school what to include in application



Award Presentation

- Present the Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award at your commencement or major award ceremony
- Please remember to recognize the Gold Foundation by listing the awards as The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Awards presented by The Arnold P. Gold Foundation in ceremony program and materials

Please recognize The Arnold P. Gold Foundation in print and digital materials.

And tag us on social media! We would love to celebrate your Tow honorees.

FB: @ArnoldPGoldFoundation

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