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New England University Transportation Center at Massachusetts Institute of Technology opens 2016 Student of the Year nomination process

Nominations due October 17, 2016

2016 Guidelines

One student from the New England University Transportation Center will be named the regional winner of the **USDOT Outstanding Student of the Year Award**. All of the national winners will be honored at a special ceremony held during the CUTC Annual Banquet at the 96th Annual TRB meeting in Washington, DC on January 7, 2017. Each winner will receive \$1000, a certificate from USDOT, two registrations to the CUTC Banquet, and travel expenses to Washington.

New England UTC Selection Criteria

1. Graduate degree candidates who are US citizens or permanent residents at a New England Center consortium-member university are eligible to receive the award.
2. Eligible candidates must have completed with a grade of B or better at least twelve hours of coursework at the time the selection is made, and have a graduate GPA in excess of 3.25 (out of 4.00).
3. Eligible candidates must have received financial support from the UTC program for at least two semesters prior to receiving the award.
4. Selection will be based upon accomplishments in three areas: technical merit and research capability, academic performance, and leadership. Evidence of technical and research merit is based upon faculty nomination and evaluation of submitted written papers or reports. Academic performance is based on courses attempted and grades attained. Evidence of professionalism and leadership can be in the form of presentations at professional society meetings and symposia, and leadership in student professional activities.

New England UTC Nomination Process

Only New England Center university faculty may nominate their outstanding students. The faculty member must submit the following nomination package to the New England Center by October 17, 2016, via email to [Paula Maglioizzi](mailto:Paula.Maglioizzi@mit.edu):

1. Academic transcript and short vita (official transcript not necessary)
2. Nomination letter from at least one faculty member
3. Copy of paper(s) written by the nominee

The New England UTC will establish a selection committee consisting of faculty representatives from their consortium universities. This committee will evaluate the nomination packages and will select the New England UTC winner. The winner will be announced on October 31, 2016.