



## UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA

### *THE PRESIDENT'S MEDAL*

#### **AWARD INTENT**

The President's Medal has been presented annually since 1984 to the graduating senior who has demonstrated a commitment to academic excellence as well as service to the University and the community.

#### **AWARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

1. Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.70.
2. Applicants must have completed at least 75 hours at the University of Southern Indiana at the time of application.
3. Students must have applied for either fall or spring graduation. The President's Medal is given at the spring commencement and regardless of when the award recipient chooses to graduate, the student must be present to receive the award at the spring commencement exercises.

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

1. The completed application form is to be submitted electronically to the Chair of the Student Affairs Committee at [usi1presmedal@usi.edu](mailto:usi1presmedal@usi.edu).
2. A one-page typed, single-spaced, Arial, 12-point font, 1-inch margins, narrative about the applicant's commitment to academic excellence and service to the University of Southern Indiana and community. Narratives should include experiences from the applicant's time at the University and (briefly) include future plans.
3. Exactly three letters of recommendation. One letter from a faculty member from the student's major program is required. The other two letters of recommendation are the applicant's choice. See the Letter of Recommendation document.
4. All documents must be submitted as PDF files.
5. All materials must be submitted by: **December 16, 2022.** Incomplete applications or those which do not follow the application procedure (see below) will be automatically disqualified.

#### **SELECTION OF THE AWARD RECIPIENT**

1. Interviews will be scheduled with those students considered by the committee who show the strongest commitment to academic excellence as well as service to the University and the community.
2. A recipient will be selected based on the application information, letters of recommendation, and interview.
3. The Chair of the Student Affairs Committee will notify the President's Office of the committee's selection.
4. The recipient will be notified of the award by the President's Office, and a meeting with the President will be scheduled at that time.

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***THE PRESIDENT'S MEDAL APPLICATION***

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

USI ID: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA (Cumulative): \_\_\_\_\_ COLLEGE: \_\_\_\_\_

MAJOR: \_\_\_\_\_ MINOR(S): \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

**In the space provided below, type your involvement in the University and your community. List all activities, organizations, scholarships, services, offices held, etc.**

**A. SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS** (Fraternities, sororities, student organizations, etc.)

**B. PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS** (American Chemical Society/Student Chapter, Toastmasters Speaking Eagles, Accounting and Professional Service Club, etc.)

**C. HONORARY ORGANIZATIONS** (National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Sigma Zeta, etc.)

**D. SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS** (Habitat Humanity, Special Olympics, etc.)

**E. PROJECTS** (University Committees, Academic College involvement, etc.)

**F. ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION** (Extra and co-curricular: intramural/varsity sports, APB events, etc. Please only list activities which you helped with or planned, not merely attended.)

**G. HONORS AND AWARDS** (All campus student achievements, scholarships, etc.)

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- c) Service - to the University and community
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Thank you,



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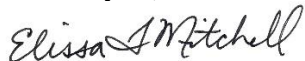
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