SPORTS JUDGING CRITERIA 2017

A. General Eligibility Criteria:

Student

Must be a student at the University of Waikato enrolled in B Semester 2016 and A Semester 2017, (with the exception of the Emerging Talent award) studying (and passed) at least half-time (ie 30 points in each semester, or currently enrolled in Masters or a PHD). The judges may consider exceptional circumstances when sporting commitments do not allow the athlete to complete this study load.

All categories

The information provided must relate to the period July 1 2016 to June 30 2017. The only exceptions are the Long Service and Emerging Talent Awards.

B. Specific Award Criteria:

SPORTING BLUE:

The following is a list of guidelines to be used:

- by the University of Waikato Blues Panel as a guide for awarding University of Waikato Blues Awards.
  The Panel's decision is final.
- to guide Blues Awards nominations

A University of Waikato Sporting Blue will be awarded to University of Waikato students who have achieved at least one of the following;

1. Competed for a Senior National Representative team in a significant International Event.

2. Competed for a Senior Provincial Franchise Team, such as;
   a. Cricket. A playing member of Northern Knights or Northern Districts A or equivalent in other regions or a playing member of the Northern Spirit
   b. Football. A playing member of a National League team
   c. Hockey. A playing member of the Midlands team or equivalent in other regions
   d. Netball. A playing member of a Magic or equivalent in other regions
   e. Rugby Union. Or a playing member of Super 15 franchise team, or the NZ University team.

3. Competed for a Senior Regional Representative Team in a significant National event. Where the sport is an individual sport criteria in point 4 (below) also applies.
4. A top 3 placing in an individual event or a win in a team event at the sports New Zealand Championships or international equivalent. Won a gold medal as part of a New Zealand age group team or a top 3 placing as an individual at the Sports Premier World Championships.

Note: In team events students must be playing members of the team, ie. making a regular contribution to the team.

Recipients of a Wallace Corporation University of Waikato Blue will automatically become eligible for:

**SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR**

The most prestigious sports awards presented within the University to the male student who in the opinion of the judging panel have the most outstanding performance record at their sport during the stated period.

**SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR:**

The most prestigious sports awards presented within the University to the female student who in the opinion of the judging panel have the most outstanding performance record at their sport during the stated period.

**POU AHUREA:**

This 'taonga' is presented to the Māori person (iwi must be shown in Details section of nomination) who is judged to have best represented Māori through his or her performances in top level sport or in the creative and performing arts.

**SPORTS TEAM OF THE YEAR:**

- Contribution to the University of Waikato
- Level at which the team is competing (age group, development, open/senior)
- Status of competition/events the team has competed in
- Standard of competition
- Team unity, commitment, pride

**SERVICE OF THE YEAR**

They may be non student. There is one Service of the Year Award contested across sport and creative and performing arts.
Service includes administering, managing, officiating, coaching, playing, captaining etc. and will often be a combination of the above. The Judges' decisions will be based on the following:

- Contribution to the development or success of the performance /sport /organisation /event
- Role and duties emphasizing their contribution to the development of the performance /sport /organisation /event
- The skills that they have brought to the performance /sport /organisation /event
- Impact that service has had on the performance /sport /organisation /event
- Contribution to performing arts and culture or sport at the University of Waikato

Please note that University Staff undertaking this role as part of their employment are not eligible for a Service of the Year Award.

**LONG SERVICE AWARD**

Long Service Award is presented to a maximum of one person each year to acknowledge long service, for a minimum of ten years, to sport or the creative and performing arts that has positively influenced a University of Waikato club or the campus community.

**EMERGING TALENT AWARD**

Emerging Talent Award is presented to a maximum of one person each year who is in the first year of their University study and who is judged to have the most promising career in their sporting discipline.

**UNIVERSITY CLUB OF THE YEAR:**

This category includes both sport and creative and performing arts clubs.

Effectiveness of the club to cater for its members.

- Consider Club: Structures, Provision of Training, Membership, Events / Performance, Results, Facilities and Player Development, Planning, Gaining / Retaining Volunteers & Players
- Contribution to the Campus community.
- Consider opportunities provided for participation at all ages and levels.
- Improvement of club between 1 July 2016 and 30 June 2017

**SPORTS COACH OR CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS TUTOR OF THE YEAR:**

They may be a non-student. There is one Sports Coach/Creative and Performing Arts Tutor Award that is contested across the sports and creative and performing arts.
To be eligible the coach/tutor must: Have coached/tutored a University of Waikato team or individual or is a University of Waikato student who coached/tutored a team or individual. The Judges' decisions will be based on the following:

- The Coaches/Tutors contribution to the success of a team/group or individual.
- The level of competition.
- The competition (who was involved, number, strength)
- Develop good team/group or individual morale
- Coaches/Tutors experience and qualifications