

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS/A AWARD PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA

The deadline for submitting nominations for the Perkins School of Theology Distinguished Alumni/ae Award (DAA) will be **September 15**. Typically, one award will be presented each year. The DAA is traditionally presented during Ministers Week.

Invitations for DAA nominations will be extended at Annual Conference gatherings of Perkins Alumni/ae and in *Perspective* magazine.

Selection and Criteria

After reviewing all duly submitted nominations, recommendation of a DAA recipient will be made by a committee whose members include the Director of Alumni/ae Relations, the Dean of Perkins School of Theology, the current chairperson of the Perkins Alumni/ae Council, and any other persons designated by the Director of Alumni/ae Relations. This committee will refine the criteria for selection of awardees as needed. The name of the recommended awardee(s) shall be presented to the Perkins Alumni/ae Council for confirmation.

Criteria for nomination of DAA recipients include:

• Demonstrated effectiveness and integrity in service to the church

• Continuing support and involvement in the goals of Perkins School of Theology and Southern Methodist University

- Demonstrated service in the wider community
- Exemplary character
- Alumnus/a of Perkins School of Theology, including Course of Study School graduates

Nominations Process

• Nominations must be made in writing, with a letter detailing the nominee's career highlights and accomplishments

• Letters or statements from at least two additional persons must be submitted in support of the nomination

• The person submitting the nomination should compile all materials and mail as one package to:

Office of Public Affairs and Alumni/ae Relations Perkins School of Theology PO Box 750133 Dallas TX 75275-0133

Alternatively, letters and other supporting documentation may be sent together as attachments via e-mail to the Director of Alumni/ae Relations, <u>perkins@smu.edu</u>.