Call for Nominations

Edgerton Fellows Advancing Innovation in Higher Education

The Edgerton Fellowship recognizes distinctively innovative contributions to improving postsecondary education and student success while honoring the legacy of Russ Edgerton (1938-2022), an innovator and thought leader in higher education. The Gardner Institute will provide a three-year opportunity for postsecondary leaders to join a community of practice with other motivated people who are doing promising work in their respective spheres. Fellows receive a mentor, cohort collaboration, annual participation in a community of practice at the Gardner Institute symposium, a one-time honorarium of \$2,500, and opportunities to network and engage with alumni and community networks.

The Edgerton Fellow selection committee will make every effort to identify new talent as honorees who are diverse in terms of race, ethnicity, age, organizational or institutional type, and academic or professional field.

Eligibility Applicants should be:

- An accomplished innovator
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- Open to diverse perspectives
- Deeply knowledgeable in their field
- Established early-to-mid-career

Timeline:

- Nomination form will be available July 15, 2023
- Nominations are due by January 30, 2024
- Selection Committee will announce a maximum of three awardees at A Symposium on Transforming the Foundational Postsecondary Experience in Pittsburgh, PA in October 2024.

Fellows will:

- Serve for three years.
- Receive a one-time honorarium of \$2,500.
- Attend the Gardner Institute annual Symposium, travel expenses will be covered by the Gardner Institute.
- At the Symposium:
 - new fellows will be publicly recognized,
 - all fellows will participate in the Edgerton Fellows Community of Practice and,
 - all fellows will make a presentation and/or be part of a panel.
- Receive additional opportunities to contribute thought leadership with the Gardner Institute and the greater higher education community through publications, webinars, academies, and other opportunities.
- Serve on the nominations and selection committee for future fellows.
- Receive mentorship from a Gardner Institute Board member or Edgerton Award Selection Committee member.

Russ Edgerton Committee: Louis Albert, Scott Evenbeck, Peter Ewell, John Gardner (Chair), Pat Hutchings, Jillian Kinzie, Drew Koch, Leo Lambert, Arthur Levine, Ted Marchese, George Mehaffy, and Laura Rendón.

To learn more about Russ Edgerton or the Edgerton Fellows go to: www.gardnerinstitute.org/edgerton



Barefoot & Gardner Awards for Equitable Higher Education Outcomes

The Gardner Institute recognizes postsecondary institutions that have taken active steps to successfully mitigate inequitable performance gaps for historically underrepresented student populations. The awards were created and named by friends and colleagues of Drs. Betsy O. Barefoot and John N. Gardner, the Gardner Institute's co-founders, to recognize and honor their deep commitment to and advocacy for more just and equitable postsecondary learning experiences.

One two-year and one four-year institution will be selected as the recipients of the Barefoot & Gardner Awards. The awards will recognize institutions that demonstrate, with strong evidence, their commitment to working toward the attainment of more equitable outcomes, in undergraduate education. Institutions receiving the recognition will be selected by a distinguished national panel. The award will be announced at A Symposium on Transforming the Foundational Postsecondary Experience in Pittsburgh, PA in October 2024.

Eligibility:

- Two-Year and Four-Year Undergraduate Institutions
- Located in the United States
- Private or Public Institutions
- > Demonstrated commitment towards student success and equitable outcomes.

Timeline:

- Nomination forms will be available July 15, 2023
- Nominations are due by February 29, 2024
- Selection Committee will announce awardees at A Symposium on Transforming the Foundational Postsecondary Experience in Pittsburgh, PA in October 2024.

The Selected Institutions Will Receive:

- A plaque recognizing institutional accomplishments in the attainment of socially just and equitable postsecondary outcomes.
- Opportunity to present your work and outcomes at A Symposium on Transforming the Foundational Postsecondary Experience in Pittsburgh, PA in October 2024. (The Gardner Institute will cover the registration fees and travel cost for one person to accept the award)
- > National recognition through Gardner Institute announcements of recipients.
- Receive additional opportunities to contribute thought leadership with the Gardner Institute and the greater higher education community through publications, webinars, leadership academies, and other opportunities.

Criteria and a full description of nomination and selection procedures can be found at: <u>https://www.gardnerinstitute.org/Barefoot-Gardner-Awards.</u>

