The Leadership Recognition Program has been a tradition on the MSUB campus for 18 years. This program recognizes the outstanding work of student leaders and student organizations in the campus and Billing Community. Each year we receive more than 100 nominations for the awards below. The works and talents of our student leaders is remarkable. The Banquet includes more than 200 student attendees, campus administrators, MSUB Alumni and community guests.

### Individual Awards

Any student who is in good academic standing is eligible to be nominated for an award.

**Outstanding President of the Year**

This award will be given to a student organization president who has shown commitment to excellence by leading their organization to achieve their goals while providing support and encouragement for their members.

**Outstanding Member of an Organization**

This award will be given to a member of an organization who is committed to the overall growth and success of their organization. This individual regularly attends the organizations’ meetings and functions, takes an active leadership role within the organization and positively promotes their organization within the campus community. Each student organization is asked to nominate the one member from your organization that is outstanding.

**Outstanding Academic Leadership**

This award will be given to a student who has shown outstanding leadership in the classroom. Their leadership may be demonstrated through participation, projects, research, and/or assisting other students and faculty showing a true dedication to their academic endeavors.

**Athletic Leadership Award**

This award will be given to a student who has exemplified leadership in the area of athletics. This award is not limited to University recognized student athletes, but any student exemplifying these
characteristics and contributing to or promoting athletics. This student demonstrates the ideals commonly associated with athletics such as: honesty, sportsmanship, strength of character, and discipline; and utilizes these attributes in meaningful forms of leadership towards the university.

**Emerging Student Leader**
This award will be given to a student who is becoming actively involved in campus activities and organizations for the first time. This student has demonstrated the ability to lead others and has shown an emerging commitment to MSU-Billings.

**Outstanding Student Volunteer**
This award will be given to a student who has exemplified leadership on campus and in the community through volunteering and coordinating or participating in service.

**Student Employee Leadership Award**
This award will be given to a campus student employee who goes far beyond his or her paid responsibilities and models student leadership by developing relationships, empowering others, and creating community at MSU-Billings.

**International Student Leader**
This award will be given to an international student who demonstrates significant campus and community involvement and leadership, enhances cultural diversity, and understanding, and maintains excellence in his or her academic endeavors.

**Striving for Excellence in Leadership While Caring for One’s Family**
This award will be given to a student who has been significantly involved in campus and community activities while successfully taking care of his or her family. This individual is an active member of a club or organization and has demonstrated outstanding leadership through their commitment to campus involvement, community activities and family.

**Outstanding Graduate Student Leader**
This award will be given to a graduate student who has demonstrated leadership through their involvement in campus activities, projects or organizations.

**Peer Educator Award**
This award will be given to a student who assists other students in developing intellectual and interpersonal skills. This individual empowers other student(s), demonstrates genuine care and provides support for others.

**Senior Leadership**
This award will be given to a graduating senior who has consistently demonstrated leadership and enriched campus life through their involvement in campus activities, projects and organizations while attending MSU-Billings.
Outstanding Advisor of the Year
This award will be given to a faculty or staff advisor of an organization on campus who has demonstrated outstanding leadership in his/her role through participation, support, and a commitment to the ideals of the organization.

Unsung Hero Award
This award will be presented to a member of the MSU-Billings support staff not directly affiliated with any student organization, who has assisted an organization or organizations behind the scenes to ensure their success and to provide support and assistance with various tasks, projects, etc.

Student Organization Awards

Outstanding Organization by Category
This award will be given to an organization that is recognized as excelling within their chosen category. This organization demonstrates a high level of commitment and involvement and positively impacts MSU Billings.

Outstanding Organization Service Project
This award will be given to an organization that has coordinated and implemented an outstanding service project that made a positive impact on the campus or community.

Outstanding Program or Event
This award will be given to an organization whose program or event has improved the quality of campus life or worked to enhance the campus atmosphere. This program or event may provide entertainment and celebration, growing understanding and acceptance, or build tradition and community. This may be achieved through active involvement, continual information, or creative promotional ideas.

Outstanding Organization- Overall
This award will be given to an organization that works towards excellence. This organization demonstrates a high level of commitment and involvement by their members, and positively impacts MSU Billings. Nominations will not be taken for this category, as the winner will be selected from the organizations that are awarded Outstanding Organization by Category.