



Call for Entries opens:
1 November 2004

Deadline:
1 March 2005

Entry fee:
US \$40

Submission guidelines:
Award entries must be submitted via the online submission system. Guidelines and instructions are available at www.nursingsociety.org/programs

Judging:
Qualified judging panels representing strong talent and expertise are appointed.

Notification:
Nominees and recipients will be notified of the judges' decision by 1 July 2005.

Presentation:
All awards will be presented at the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International 38th Biennial Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana on 12-16 November 2005.

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Computer-Based Professional Education Technology Award

The Computer-Based Professional Education Technology Award recognizes and honors an application that clearly exemplifies an outstanding instructional use of a computer for nursing students or professional nursing continuing education.

CRITERIA

Items that applicant should address in writing include:

Purpose

- Uses information technology in a manner that furthers professional goals, purposes, concerns, and issues such as leadership, scholarship, research, image, humanity, thinking, or decision making.
- Enhances, supports, or mimics the scientific, humanitarian, and intellectual pursuits of the nursing profession and is operational in generating outcomes or products that are of benefit to nursing as a profession.

Operational

- Explains how and why it is not yet fully operational if pilot project. Includes time table for completion.

Usefulness/Impact

- Identifies skill level needed by the audience. If there are prerequisites, either technical or subject knowledge, state these.

Nursing Involvement

- Has had significant leadership and involvement of nurses throughout the development of the application including design, selection, development, implementation, and evaluation.
- Costs of development and source(s) of funding.

Overall Quality

- Describes any noteworthy aspects that the committee should know that are not delineated above including, but not limited to, how this program/web site has value beyond one institution, and how it furthers the mission and goals of the Honor Society of Nursing.

Items the judges evaluate when viewing entry include:

Purpose

- Communicates content in a manner that clearly demonstrates that these purposes have been met.

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Operational

- Is bug free (e.g., all items work); is easy to navigate. If it requires installation, it installs and uninstalls easily. If on the Web, it is easily located.
- If program is password protected, password must be included in order to evaluate. If time-limited password, allow for entire judging process.

Usefulness/Impact

- Content and approach are appropriate and of value for the intended audience.
- Easy to use and has appropriate instructions for use including context sensitive help when necessary.

Educational Qualities

- Is instructionally sound, logically organized, and motivating.

Innovation/Creativity

- Is innovative, interactive, creative, flexible, and uses the technology well.

Overall Quality

- Exhibits high quality.
- Is unique and original.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A complete nomination consists of:

- Online entry form and payment
- Any supporting software or URL (If program is password protected, password must be included in order to evaluate. If time-limited password, allow for entire judging process.)
- A two-page, double-spaced summary addressing the criteria
- Projects that cannot be uploaded through the online process according to the submission guidelines, such as CDs, should:
 - Provide a brief description of the project through the online process
 - Mail the following to headquarters:
 - Five (5) copies of completed online entry form
 - Five (5) copies of project submission

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