

ACAAI

Policy and Criteria of Selection for Distinguished Fellow & International Distinguished Fellow

Purpose: Recognize outstanding contributions to the fields of allergy, asthma, or immunology in his/her country.

Criteria: Made a significant contribution (s) to allergy, asthma or immunology in the United States or Canada (*Distinguished Fellow*) or in the individual's country (*International Distinguished Fellow*). For the *Distinguished Fellow*, candidates must live and practice/teach within the United States or Canada and be an ACAAI Fellow "in good standing". For the *International Distinguished Fellow* candidates must have shown an interest in ACAAI activities and/or participated in one or more of its international endeavors. Residence must be outside the United States and Canada and ARE NOT required to be an ACAAI Fellow or Member. Additional criteria include 1) outstanding reputation as a clinician/teacher; 2) evidence of ACAAI patronage, ie attendance at annual meetings, College membership, committee work, faculty at annual meeting or at ACAAI-sponsored meetings abroad, etc.; 3) some evidence of scholarly achievement, e.g., publications, texts, courses, etc. and 4) some degree of leadership qualities.

Eligibility: Individuals who meet the criteria.

Selection: (*Distinguished Fellow*) Nominations are made either by the Board of Regents or the ACAAI Nominating Committee. Nominations, in writing and accompanied by proper documentation, shall be submitted to the Nominating Committee by January 31st annually. The Nominating Committee will forward its recommendation along with applications to the Board of Regents for approval. (*International Distinguished Fellow*) Nominations are made either by the ACAAI International Committee or the Board of Regents. Nominations, in writing and accompanied by proper documentation, shall be submitted to the Chair and Sub-Chairs of the International Committee by January 31st annually. For the *International Distinguished Fellow*, the International Committee Chair will forward recommendations along with applications to the Board of Regents for approval.

Up to two individuals will be selected in each category annually.

Award: *Distinguished Fellows* shall be presented with a medallion, pin and a plaque. *International Distinguished Fellows* shall be presented with a medallion and a plaque.

When given: At the convocation or annual business meeting.

Compensation: Waiver of the annual meeting registration fee at which the award is presented. For *International Distinguished Fellow*, transportation and hotel expenses for attendance at annual meeting if the individual is not included in the educational program.