## 2016 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS



## Regulations

The Distinguished Alumni Awards are focused specifically on graduates of Otago Polytechnic. The awards celebrate alumni who have made outstanding contributions in their careers or communities.

- 1. The Distinguished Alumni Awards Process is managed by the Alumni Coordinator.
- 2. Normally, up to three awards will be made annually.

For 2016 up to 10 awards will be made to acknowledge the 50<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations of Otago Polytechnic.

3. All nominations are limited to alumni who have studied at Otago Polytechnic.

In addition the following will be considered in assessing applications:

- Pre-eminence in their chosen field
- Outstanding contributions to the community at large
- Outstanding professional or voluntary service
- · Outstanding achievements in business
- Outstanding achievements in the fine, performing or applied arts
- Outstanding achievements in team or individual sport to at least national representative level
- 4. All nominations and information submitted are confidential. Nominators must also respect the confidentiality process and not advise the nominee of their submission to avoid any embarrassment should the nominee not be selected for an award.
- 5. Any nominee not selected for an award in a specific year is still eligible for consideration in subsequent years.
- 6. Nominations should be made by downloading the official Distinguished Alumni Award form available on the Polytechnic's website or from the Alumni Coordinator.
- 7. Staff will also be consulted each year for their recommendations and they are also invited to submit nominations.
- 8. Closing date for 2016 nominations is Monday 29 February 2016.
- 9. Awards are decided by a selection committee consisting of:
  - Chief Executive
  - Director: Communications
  - A member of the professorial staff

on the basis of recommendations provided by the Alumni Advisory Committee.

10. Awardees will be notified by Friday 11 March and should confirm their acceptance and availability to attend the awards function to be held on Friday 8 April by Friday 25 March.