



ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
CAPILANO UNIVERSITY

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS 2024 Alumni Awards of Excellence

### CELEBRATE THE EXPERIENCE!

Capilano University (CapU) and Capilano University Alumni Association (CUAA) are pleased to present our ***Alumni Awards of Excellence!***

The **Alumni Awards of Excellence** were created to recognize alumni who embody the essence of who we are and the impact of CapU locally, regionally and around the world. As in past years, threads of our community's values— spirit, passion, innovation, collaboration, pride and impact—are woven through each of our award categories. Five awards will be given out to individuals who exemplify one of our brand essences. There will be one award for each CapU brand essence: **Luminous, Unified, Enduring, Confident** and **Creative**. To ensure we have every opportunity to nominate and recognize the positive impact of our alumni in the communities in which they live and work, all alumni including past recipients may be nominated.

### SUBMITTING YOUR NOMINATION

- Read the award criteria and eligibility requirements before making your recommendations.
- Review the criteria for the award categories and suggestions about supporting documents to include.
- Complete the nomination form online. Reach out to [alumni@capilanou.ca](mailto:alumni@capilanou.ca) with any questions
- Please include examples of how your nominee fulfills the criteria for the award category for which you are making the nomination.
- A thoughtful and substantive response to questions in support of your nominee is very important in helping the committee with its selections.

If available, please include the nominee's resumé or other supporting materials that will inform the selection committee's decision.

### WHO CAN MAKE A NOMINATION

The selection committee will accept nominations for alumni candidates from various stakeholders in our community, including but not limited to: students, alumni, faculty & staff, employers of alumni, vendors, family and friends. The selection committee will review materials submitted for each candidate and select those candidates who are deemed to best represent the award they have been nominated for based upon the criteria established for each award.

## HOW RECIPIENTS ARE SELECTED

The selection committee is comprised of representatives from the Capilano University Board of Governors, Alumni Association Board of Directors, President's Office and Office of Philanthropy and Alumni Relations.

## AWARDS CRITERIA & CATEGORIES

Each award has specific criteria outlined below. Each criterion is weighted and scored.

All awards categories will consider the following three criteria.

1. **Spirit/Passion** to drive change through service to the community.
  - Contributions in supporting the development of healthy, vibrant and inclusive communities.
2. **Innovation/Collaboration**
  - Contributions in their chosen field of study or profession; or
  - Recognition of entrepreneurial innovation or social enterprise successes.
3. **Professional Achievement**
  - Achievement in professional or career endeavours;

## LUMINOUS

The brand essence ***Luminous: Through education, our environment and world-class architecture, Capilano University is authentic and illuminated.***

Specific Criteria for Luminous:

1. The nominee has demonstrated focus on educating in the classroom and/or beyond.
2. The nominee is recognized as a knowledge expert within an established community of practice, which can be formal or traditional in any subject area.
3. The nominee will have consistently demonstrated a generosity in sharing their expertise to advance communities within CapU or beyond the four walls of our campus.

## UNIFIED

The brand essence ***Unified: Diverse in thinking, but connected in our vision and mission, we work together to build the Capilano University community.***

Specific Criteria for Unified:

1. The nominee demonstrates a solution-focused approach to various issues and opportunities.
2. The nominee is known for bringing communities together in common purpose by combining diverse perspectives to find new approaches.
3. The nominee is a connector that demonstrates leadership but is not necessarily in a leadership role.

## ENDURING

The brand essence ***Enduring: We are proud of Capilano University's 50-year history, our relationship with local First nations, the origin of our name and the foundation all these elements create for our future.***

Specific Criteria for Enduring:

1. The nominee has demonstrated a commitment to fostering relationships with indigenous communities and embraces intercultural values to build the future.
2. The nominee embodies through their actions reconciliation at a local, regional or national level.
3. The nominee will have a track record of acknowledging our past and find ways to collaborate to build stronger communities in our present.

## CONFIDENT

The brand essence ***Confident: Capilano University graduates are confident in their ability to affect positive change.***

Specific Criteria for Confident:

1. The nominee is a proven leader, a shooting star we all want to follow because their story resonates and keeps us watching for their next move.
2. The nominee inspires trust and through their example others have been inspired to act.
3. The nominee demonstrates the application of confidence through focus and determination in pursuit of their goals.

## CREATIVE

The brand essence ***Creative: Creativity is at the heart of Capilano University – visible in student output, academic programming and faculty collaboration.***

Specific Criteria for Creative:

1. The nominee is known to be the first to take action and does not settle for the status quo.
2. The nominee embodies innovation by asking “why or why not?” to create solutions.
3. The nominee is not afraid to fail, and probably has, and demonstrates almost limitless ways to solve problems big or small.

## WHAT IS A GOOD ENTRY?

The selection committee will be looking for quality and impact rather than scale or number of years of experience. We encourage you to be concise, tell us your nominee's story and provide specific examples. The ideal nomination includes a short summary of the nominee and what they are doing, their

background and how they have used their influence to contribute to the community and in doing so exemplified our brand essences.

## ELIGIBILITY

All alumni are eligible for nomination. Alumni are defined as those individuals who have received a credential from the University or have successfully completed a minimum of 54 credits at Capilano University.

Award recipients must consent to participate in the awards celebration on April 1, 2023. Nominators may nominate more than one candidate for each award. There is only one award recipient in each award category.

## EXCLUSIONS

Members of the Capilano University Board of Governors, Foundation Board or Alumni Association Board, and currently active politicians are **not eligible** for nomination.

Nominees must be aware of their nomination and accept that their name, photo, credentials and biography may be published in various media promoting the event.

Capilano University protects the privacy and confidentiality of the information of nominees.

Further information and details on next steps will be provided once the nomination has been received.