Clemson University
College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences
Young Alumni Award Guidelines

PURPOSE: For the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences (CAFLS) at Clemson University to recognize no more than two young alumni annually for their ‘ever loyal’ dedication to Clemson and the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences and their impacts in business, leadership, community, educational, and/or philanthropic endeavors.

ELIGIBILITY: Nominees must: fulfill purpose of award; be an alumnus of Clemson University’s College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences; and have graduated (graduate or undergraduate) within the past 10 years.

SELECTION CRITERIA: Nominees will be considered for this award based on the significance of their commitment to Clemson and the College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences; professional accomplishments; and community impact following these criteria:
• Upholding the University’s core values of honesty, integrity, and respect
• Demonstration of an ‘ever loyal’ relationship to Clemson and the College
• Demonstration of characteristics of a ‘Determined Spirit’
• Impacts in business, leadership, community, educational, and/or philanthropic endeavors

WAIVERS: These requirements are guidelines for the selection of nominees and may be waived by the CAFLS Agriculture Alumni Board of Directors in cases where extenuating circumstances exist. Such a waiver requires the support of a two-thirds majority of the CAFLS Agriculture Alumni Board membership.

NOMINATIONS: The Policy, Process and Awards Committee of the CAFLS Agriculture Alumni Board will accept nominations of individuals prior to December 1 annually. Each nomination must utilize the official nomination form. Each nominator is asked to submit the nominee’s resume with the form as well as up to two letters of support for the nominee. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominations should convey to the selection committee the merits of each nominee, assuming that no prior knowledge of the candidate exists and that committee members are unfamiliar with the candidate.

If a candidate is not selected within three years of the date of the original nomination, the nomination will be disregarded and a new nomination must be submitted if the nominee is to receive further consideration.