

Fellows Award

The Fellows Award honors and recognizes IAFP Members who have contributed to the Association and its Affiliates with distinction over an extended period of time. The Award consists of a plaque and recognition as a Fellow of the Association.

Qualifications for nominees

- Nominee must be a current IAFP Member
- Nominee must have been an IAFP Member for 15 or more consecutive years
- Nominee must have a demonstrable record of service to IAFP and its Affiliates
- Nominee must be actively involved in the food protection community
- Information submitted will be evaluated based on a point system established by the Fellows Award Selection Committee
- Current IAFP Executive Board Members are not eligible

Note: Nominators are encouraged to consult with the nominee while gathering information for submission. Both IAFP Members and non-members may nominate colleagues.

Criteria for nominations

Provide adequate detail regarding your nominee's service to IAFP in the following areas.

- IAFP involvement, including year nominee joined IAFP
- IAFP Annual Meeting attendance record
- IAFP Annual Meeting participation (presentations, convener, Program Committee, Local Arrangements Committee, etc.)
- Articles published in IAFP journals
- IAFP Journal Editorial Board service
- IAFP Committee and Professional Development Group service
- IAFP Executive Board service
- IAFP Foundation involvement
- IAFP Affiliate involvement, including length of service and detail of service
- Other IAFP involvement or service

Provide information about nominee's food safety contributions to related organizations (e.g., ASM, ADSA, IFT, NEHA, AFDO and state or regional affiliated organizations). Examples include:

- Service as an officer to a related organization
- Committee service to a related organization
- Publication in a related organization's journal or magazine
- Presentations at a related organization's meeting
- Organizer of symposium or workshop at a related organization's meeting
- Other service to a related organization

Provide details about nominee's contributions to food safety or food protection and communication. Examples include:

- Develop and maintain a "cutting edge" research program with the primary emphasis on food safety or food protection
- Develop and maintain an outstanding program on issues of food safety or food protection within a regulatory agency (local/state/federal)
- Develop and maintain an outstanding program on issues of food safety or food protection within a company or an industry
- Contributions to communicating information about food safety or food protection, such as:
 - Teaching:
 - College courses with an emphasis on issues of food safety or food protection
 - Short courses (workshops) organized by a university, professional organization or industrial group
 - Guest lectures on food safety issues to appropriate high school classes
 - Presentations to trade associations or to individual companies
 - Providing training to employees of regulatory agencies (local, state, federal)
 - Participation in radio or TV programs dealing with issues of food safety
 - Preparation of pamphlets, bulletins, leaflets, etc. to provide information on food safety
 - Preparation of news releases on issues of food safety
 - o Service on advisory committees of regulatory agencies (local, state, federal)
 - Other applicable avenues of communication

Additional points to consider under the criteria for evaluating nominee

Other activities or characteristics of the nominee that are not specifically covered under the above criteria may be provided to emphasize the nominee's dedication to food protection and demonstrate the nominee's high personal standards (e.g., volunteer and community activities, etc.).

In addition to a nomination cover letter,* nominator must provide at least 2 (maximum 3) letters of support* for the nominee from professional peers.

Submitting nominations

The nominator's cover letter* should be clearly organized to summarize the nominee's history in the following areas:

- 1. Service to IAFP and its Affiliates
- 2. Contributions to food safety through related organizations
- 3. Contributions to food safety or food protection and the communication thereof

Nominations must be submitted as one PDF to awards@foodprotection.org by Tuesday, February 13, 2024. Please follow directions carefully to avoid errors. Nominations received by email directly to the IAFP office or by mail will not be accepted. If you have any questions about this award or the required documents, please contact Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Once you have submitted your **complete** nomination, you will receive an acknowledgment of receipt from Susan within 48 hours. (If you do not, please contact Susan.)

*Nomination letter and letters of support cannot be from a current IAFP Board Member

Judging Procedure

Procedure for evaluation of each candidate

This procedure was designed with the intention of providing a system to help the selection committee select recipients with a relatively equitable method. Nominators have been instructed to provide information on the candidate that reflects the expectations and specific intent of the Fellows Award: *To honor and recognize IAFP Members who have contributed to the Association and its Affiliates with distinction over an extended period of time*. Each section below has a maximum point value that is considered to reflect its importance relative to the specific intent of the Fellows Award.

The committee's task is to evaluate the nominee by measuring his or her performance against the criteria provided. Nominees should be ranked for each criterion on their own merit and should also be ranked in relation to other nominees.

Judging Outline

Service to IAFP and its Affiliates (maximum 50 points)

Examples of IAFP involvement include:

- Past Executive Board Officer
- Committees, PDGs, or Task force service
- IAFP Foundation Fund
- Attendance at IAFP Annual Meetings
- Scientific Editor for an Association publication
- Papers or articles published in Association journals
- Organizer of Symposium at Annual Meeting
- Convener of Symposium at Annual Meeting
- Technical Session convener at Annual Meeting
- Workshop instructor at Annual Meeting
- Presentations (oral or poster) at Annual Meeting
- Member of the Editorial Board for Association journals
- Supporter of IAFP Foundation
- Other IAFP service
- Contributions to IAFP Affiliates:
 - o Instrumental in organizing an Affiliate
 - Delegate to IAFP Affiliate Council
 - o Officer in an Affiliate
 - o Committees service to an Affiliate
 - Presentations at an Affiliate meeting
 - o Editor of an Affiliate's newsletter
 - Other

Contributions to food safety through related organizations (e.g., ASM, ADSA, IFT, NEHA, AOAC, AFDO and state or regional affiliated organizations, etc.) (maximum 20 points)

Examples include:

- Service as an officer to a related organization
- Committee service to a related organization
- Publications in a related organization's journal or magazine
- Presentations at a related organization's annual meeting
- Organizer of symposium or workshop at a related organization's meeting
- Other service to a related organization

Contributions to food safety or food protection and communication (maximum 30 points)

- Develop and maintain a "cutting edge" research program with the primary emphasis on food safety or food protection.
- Develop and maintain an outstanding program on issues of food safety or food protection within a regulatory agency (local/state/federal).
- Develop and maintain an outstanding program on issues of food safety or food protection within a company or an industry.
- Contributions to communicating information about food safety or food protection, such as:
 - Teaching:
 - College courses with an emphasis on issues of food safety or food protection
 - Short courses (workshops) organized by a university, professional organization or industrial group
 - Guest lectures on food safety issues to appropriate high school classes
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 - Provide training to employees of regulatory agencies (local, state, federal)
 - Participation in radio or TV programs dealing with issues of food safety
 - Preparation of pamphlets, bulletins, leaflets, etc. to provide information on food safety
 - Preparation of news releases on issues of food safety
 - Service on advisory committees of regulatory agencies (local, state, federal)
 - Other applicable avenues of communication