



## **Guidance and further information: Academic Gold Medal**

### **Regulations**

1. The IPEM Academic Gold Medal is open to all IPEM members (UK and overseas) regardless of age, grade of membership, discipline or employment who have been an IPEM member for at least 1 year at the time of application for the award.
2. Candidates can self-nominate or be nominated by another member.
3. IPEM committees, led by the Board of Trustees (but not involving the Prizes and Awards Committee), will also nominate potential prizes winners, in order that a prize is awarded every year.
4. Candidates or nominators should complete the application form and submit evidence to support the application, as detailed on the application form and in the guidance.
5. The prize is for any member who has a substantial and sustained track record at an outstanding level of contribution to advancement of academic practice; related to physics and engineering applied to medicine and biology.
6. The name of the prize winner will be announced in the Newsletter and on the website in August. All unsuccessful candidates/nominators will be notified by email.
7. Applications/nominations for the Award can be made between 1st January and 30th April each year.
8. The Prizes and Awards Committee will receive applications and make the decision concerning the award.
9. The recipient may only receive this award once in their lifetime. One Academic Gold Medal is awarded each year.
10. Rewards
  - A gold medal
  - £500 personal award to be used in whatever manner the recipient deems fit
  - A certificate
  - An invitation to the awards ceremony usually held in September at the Science, Technology and Engineering Forum to receive the award from the President.
11. Condition of acceptance
  - The prize winner must be prepared to give an oral presentation related to their work at the Science, Technology and Engineering Forum.

### **Application**

1. As part of the application a CV is required. It is advised that a nominator should liaise with the candidate to ask their permission and to obtain an up to date CV which should be appended to the application and should include (but is not limited to): personal details; qualifications and fellowships; current positions held; employment history; current duties; contributions to teaching; contributions to research; contributions to innovation; income; journal papers; patents and other output; invited presentations; professional activities.
2. The gold medal is a very high level of award, equivalent to work at an outstanding level (internationally competitive or nationally leading) performed over many years.

3. The citation should detail in up to 500 words what is the sustained and substantial contribution to academic practice that the candidate has made.
4. If the application is a self-nomination details of a supporter (senior person in or outside applicant's department) should be given.
5. Exemplars of academic practice include; research income, number of papers, number of citations and h-index, degree courses established including online courses, textbooks and chapters, senior academic management role, keynote speaker invitations, relevant committee activity at national or international level.

**Criteria against which the application will be assessed**

1. Has the candidate made a substantial and sustained contribution to academic practice at a nationally leading or internationally competitive level. For research-only submissions the level should be equivalent to that of a Doctor of Science (DSc) degree.