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Celebrate Excellence: Mortar Board Collegiate & Alumni Awards

Plus...the importance of completing your Chapter Annual Report



It's time to recognize the incredible achievements of our Mortar Board members, chapters, and alumni!

Nominations are now open for our annual **Collegiate Awards** and **Alumni Awards**, and we encourage you to nominate your chapter, yourself, or a fellow Mortar Board who deserves the spotlight.

Several collegiate awards are available, including the **Ruth Weimer Mount Chapter Excellence Award**, **Freeman & Fox Most Improved Chapter**, **Gold Torch**,

Starlington Prize, Project Excellence, Outstanding Achievement, and Inclusive Excellence. Some of these awards require separate applications, while others are submitted through the **Chapter Annual Report**. We're also accepting nominations for our Mortar Board Alumni Awards, which celebrate alumni who exemplify the ideals of **scholarship, leadership, and service** in their professions, communities, or continued work with Mortar Board. **NEW** for 2025: *Volunteer of the Year Award!*

Submitting a Chapter Annual Report is required for all chapters. Beyond being a requirement, it's a great tool for transitioning between classes. Reports include officer and advisor info, a summary of this year, advice for next year, finances, history, and more. **Chapters may also nominate themselves for several collegiate awards on the report form!**

If you know someone making a difference, now's the time to recognize them. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the achievements and impact of the Mortar Board community!

Deadline for all award nominations is May 15. Click the links below to read more and submit your nominations.

[Chapter
Annual Report](#)

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See You in July: Mortar Board National Conference Registration is **OPEN**

WHEN: Saturday, July 19 &
Sunday, July 20, 2025

WHERE: Virtual, Both Days

TIME: 2-6pm Eastern / 1-5pm
Central / Noon-4pm Mountain /
11am-3pm Pacific / 8am-Noon
Hawaiian



We are excited to announce the upcoming Mortar Board National Conference! This year both days virtually kick off at the same time, and we have a jam-packed four hours of connecting, learning, and fun.

As a reminder, each chapter is required to send one student delegate , but additional student delegates are welcome at no extra cost. Advisors and alumni are also invited to join. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to engage with the Mortar Board community, learn from each other, and grow together!

[**Register Now**](#)

Be a Region Coordinator: Deadline to Apply is May 1



Applications for Region Coordinator are now open!

Do you love building relationships and want to support our collegiate members and chapters? Consider joining the Region Coordinator team! Teams of two to four Region Coordinators work collaboratively within each

region and the National Office to support and inspire chapters.

Nominate someone today or apply by May 1!

[Learn More & Apply](#)

Passing the Torch Legacy Society

Have you included Mortar Board in your estate plans? Please let us know (or remind us) by filling out our [online form](#) or emailing give@mortarboard.org so we can officially welcome you to the Passing the Torch Legacy Society.

Your generosity is a commitment to scholarship, leadership, and service – values that endure the test of time. Click below to learn more about making a deferred gift and passing the torch to future generations of Mortar Board.



[Learn About Planned Gifts](#)

Mortar Board Book of the Year

***We're thrilled to announce the launch of a new annual program:
the Mortar Board Book of the Year!***

Each year, we'll select one book for alumni and collegiate members across the country to read over the summer. In the fall, we'll



come together for a virtual book club discussion—an opportunity to connect, reflect, and engage in meaningful dialogue with fellow Mortar Board members.

We want your input!

We're now accepting book recommendations for our inaugural

selection. The book can be from any genre: fiction, non-fiction, memoir, history, science, current events, or beyond. We're looking for something that sparks curiosity, encourages discussion, and reflects the spirit of Mortar Board's commitment to scholarship, leadership, and service.

Submit your book recommendation by May 31!

Share your favorite read with us and help us kick off this exciting new tradition. We can't wait to hear your ideas!

[Submit a Good Read](#)

Show Your Spirit at the Mortar Board Store



Our recently-launched online shop is the place for all your Mortar Board gear!

Thoughtfully designed with all members in mind, this store offers a wide variety of items to help you show your pride wherever you go.

Whether you're a newly initiated member (congratulations!), alumni, advisor, or a family/friend to a proud Mortar Board, there's something for everyone. From traditional apparel like ballcaps, sweatshirts, and t-shirts (available in multiple colors and a full range of sizes) to more unique items like custom house flags, clocks, and drinkware, you're sure to find something that suits your personal taste.

We invite you to take a look and find something that speaks to you!

[Browse the Store](#)

Get Your Mortar Board Regalia Before Graduation



Celebrate your Mortar Board pride as you walk across the stage with official regalia! Stoles, medallions, and honor cords are available for purchase online, making it easier than ever to showcase your achievements.

And don't forget—if you're purchasing in bulk, you can save even more! Place bulk online orders using the promo code ***BulkDiscount*** to receive **10% off your total order** when you buy 10 or more regalia items.

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