

**American College of Radiology
Criteria and Procedures for the Gold Medal Award**

1. The Gold Medal can be awarded by the Board of Chancellors to radiologists, radiation oncologists, medical physicists, and other distinguished scientists for distinguished and extraordinary service to the American College of Radiology or to the discipline of radiology. Service to radiology can be in teaching, basic research, clinical investigation, or radiologic statesmanship, such as outstanding contributions in work with the ACR, other medical organizations, governmental agencies and quasi-medical organizations.
2. An award “cycle” is defined as the time from the July 1 nomination deadline (initial or renewal) until the distribution of the actual awards and will be named for the award distribution year (e.g. nomination July 1 deadline in 2024 for the 2025 award cycle).
3. Nominations are submitted, in writing, by any member or fellow of the College, giving in detail the nominee’s qualifications for the award, and must be accompanied by a detailed curriculum vitae or resume of the nominee. The nomination should also include a 150-word (approximate) paragraph detailing why the nominee deserves the Gold Medal award to be used for drafting the initial press release should the nominee be selected for the award. In addition, there must be a minimum of two letters of support for each nominee from a College member or fellow. Letters should not come from members who are in the same practice as the candidate. The primary nominator is responsible for initiating the submission of letters of support. A nominee will be considered posthumously if he/she dies after nomination, submission/completion before the July 1 deadline (year before the award). (Minimum of three letters – one nomination and two supporting letters – there can be more).
4. An individual member or fellow of the College can act only once each year as primary nominator or sponsor, i.e., an individual member or fellow cannot be primary nominator for one nominee and sponsor for another, or act in either capacity for more than one individual each year. Members who sponsored a reactivated candidate are eligible to write a letter sponsoring a new candidate.
5. Members on the Committee on Awards and Honors, members on the Board of Chancellors, the Chief Executive Officer and staff of the College are ineligible to act as primary nominators or sponsors nor submit letters of nomination or support. If a letter of support is submitted by a member prior to him/her being appointed to the committee or elected to the BOC, the letter will be accepted as part of the nomination materials.
6. Solicitations for nominations are to appear in the ACR Bulletin and ACR website.
7. Letters of nomination and sponsorship are to be sent to the Chair of the Committee on Awards and Honors, awardsandhonorscommittee@acr.org, by **July 1**. The submitted material will then be duplicated and sent to the members of the committee.

8. The Committee on Awards and Honors makes its recommendations to the Board of Chancellors, submitting no more than three names. The method of voting and establishing the order of preference is to be determined by the committee.
9. The determination of the award of the Gold Medal is by vote of the Board of Chancellors at its fall meeting. No more than three such awards may be given each cycle, except possibly for a rare, unusual occasion. However, in any cycle there may be fewer than three or even none.
10. Current officers and members of the Board of Chancellors are ineligible for the Gold Medal nomination.
11. If the committee does not recommend a nominee for award of the Gold Medal, the nomination will be automatically renewed for the following cycle unless the nominator withdraws the nomination for reactivation. Additional supporting information is allowed but not required for the reactivation cycle. Such requests must be received by **July 1** following the non-recommendation to be considered for the second cycle.
12. If the nomination is not renewed for the second cycle, the candidate is ineligible for nomination for two cycles following their last cycle of nomination (e.g. not renewed for cycle year 2025, candidate is ineligible for cycles 2026 and 2027 but is eligible for cycle 2028 with nomination due July 1, 2027).
13. The award is to be presented at the ACR Convocation.