Most Dedicated Dissertation/Project Supervisor

Completing a large project or a dissertation can be one of the biggest sources of stress for a student so having a dedicated supervisor by their side to support and guide them is vital.

Postgraduate Teacher/Supervisor of the Year

A new award this year, designed specifically for Postgraduate students to recognise the efforts of their supervisor or a member of staff who teach them. All Postgraduate students (PhD, MA, MSc, PGCE, MRes, ResM, MPhil, MClinPsy, DClinPsy, PGDip PGCert) can nominate.

Inspirational Teaching

This award is for a staff member who shows passion and enthusiasm for teaching and inspires their students to be the best they can be. Sharing their depth of knowledge or demonstrating complex skills inside and outside a lecture or lab has the potential to inspire a student to achieve great things.

Excellence in Championing Career Development

Awarded to a staff member or a student who champions student employability and career development, this award is there to thank those who put students futures in the heart of everything they do. This can be from CV advice, help finding a job or simply just being a motivating or encouraging voice, it all makes a difference.

Most Effective Feedback

Do you know a member of staff who returns feedback on assessments within 20 working days? Do they provide clear and concise comments on what you did well and how you can improve? Then nominate them for the Most Effective Feedback Award!

Outstanding Personal Tutor

Your Personal Tutor can often be a life-line during your time at University on all things academic, pastoral and even career development! Having a Personal Tutor who champions and inspires you to do your very best, but also being there if things go wrong can make a real difference. Nominate your Personal Tutor!

One in a Million Support Staff

Supporting students throughout their time at University can make a world of difference. This award is given to a member of support staff who goes above and beyond to make the lives of students better. This can be from Disability Assist, the UPSU Advice Centre or absolutely anyone who has supported you!

Sensational Programme Lead

This award is for a Programme Lead who has made a recognisable difference to the experience of students within their programme through listening to student feedback, creating a working relationship with Course Reps and students and much more!
The Big Thank-You Award

This award is for a member of service staff (catering, cleaning, tech, etc.) who make the day-to-day experience of University for students and staff just that little bit better. Whether it’s making your 9am latte just how you like it, or providing a consistently reliable service from anything from keeping our classrooms clean to fixing any IT problems, these are the people we often forget to thank. Nominate a member of staff or student staff and show them how much they are appreciated.

Best Placement Support

Going on placement can be exciting, stressful and scary all at the same time, but the support of a key staff member these worries can be managed. If you know someone who has given you support, advice or guidance about your placement (this can be either a year out placement or as part of your course), then nominate them for this award!

Most Innovative use of Teaching Methods

This award is for somebody who thinks outside the box when delivering the curriculum. Deviating from the standard of PowerPoint slides or reading from a textbook engages students and keeps them interested in what is being taught.

Sustainability in Curriculum Champion

Sustainability is the creation and maintenance of social, environmental and economic conditions that allow human and natural life to flourish and continue, without stalling the ability of future generations to flourish also. This award is a great way to thank and celebrate academics who have gone above and beyond to equip students with the knowledge, skills and attributes required to be sustainability leaders, as well as promoting good practice. Does this sound like a member of staff who has taught you? Nominate for them!

Course Rep of the Year

Do you know a Course Rep who listens to your views and makes a real difference to the lives of students on your course? Nominate them for Course Rep of the Year!

School Rep of the Year

Schools Reps give up hours of their time to represent students in their School. This can sometimes be a difficult job so a School Rep who listens to students, acts upon feedback and creates real change deserves recognition!

Stand Out Forum Chair

UPSU has 15 student-led Forums ranging from Welfare to Environment & Sustainability and is an inclusive space for students to create real change within UPSU and Plymouth University.

Best Student-Led Campaign/ Group Idea

A campaign is a project with end goal is to create a positive change. This can be focussed on something really small that affects a small group of students or a huge campaign that affects everyone! Across the University, there are great examples of students from different courses working together to achieve a joint goal. Whether this goal is to increase awareness of a topic and understanding the bigger picture, or create something amazing. This award is for a truly effective student led campaign that will make a change for Plymouth University students.