



The Jessica Soto-Perez Award 2008

(A UMBC Graduate Recognition Award dedicated to the spirit of Jessica Soto-Perez)

The Graduate Student Association has established an Outstanding Graduate Student Award to honor those who strive, during their time at UMBC, to aid graduate students in their academic and professional pursuits. The award will be presented at the last senate meeting of the Graduate Student Association for each academic school year. Awardees will receive \$250 in gift certificates. Awardees names will also be placed on a plaque in the GSA office. A committee of graduate students will accept and review the nominations before the final senate meeting of the academic school year. Awardees will be notified prior to the final GSA Senate meeting of the academic school year. The deadline for nominations is by **Monday April 14th 2008**.

The student essays should address why the nominee meets the qualities of a great graduate student such as research, teaching and level of concern for those students under their direction, involvement in graduate community life such as graduate student organizations and social functions, and providing support and advocacy for other graduate students in their departments or the graduate student body at large.

Requirements

Any current graduate student, faculty, or staff member may nominate any graduate student who is enrolled at UMBC.

The nominator must complete the following:

- Complete the information sheet for the JSP Award
- Write a 250 word or less essay (approximately 1pg double spaced in 12 font) on why the nominee is deserving of this award
- Acquire a faculty reference with faculty signature for GSA to follow up on.

It is the responsibility of the person making the nomination to collect all of the required information and submit it in one packet to the GSA office.



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Information Sheet**

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To be filled out by the nominator

(Please type or print)

Nominator's Information:

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Nominees Information (Graduate Student):

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Campus Phone Number: _____



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Nominees Information Sheet**

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To be completed by Nominee (Graduate Student)

Previous and current education: (undergraduate and beyond)

Institution Years Degree Obtained/ Sought

Current Teaching or Supervision:

Class Program Day and Time

Committees/ Organizations Involving Student Interest

Committee/ Organization Year(s) Involved

Fellowships, Research or Professional Awards

Name Organization/Funding Source Year(s)

Any additional information regarding involvement in student interests may be continued on additional pages



Optional Information:

Marital Status: Single Married

Dependents (children, etc) 0 1-2 3 or more

Full time or Part time

If part time, occupation _____