

# TAPESTRY OF DIVERSE TALENTS

## WHAT IS THE TAPESTRY OF DIVERSE TALENTS?

The Tapestry of Diverse Talents, a program of the Memorial Union, is a pictorial mosaic that recognizes students, faculty, staff, and alumni for the contributions to diversity they bring to North Dakota State University. Each year individuals are inducted into the Tapestry during a ceremony. Inductees reflect the ages, socioeconomic statuses, mental and physical abilities, races, ethnicities, gender identities, religions, sexes, and sexual orientations of the University community. The Tapestry program kindles the spirit of diversity that is integral to the NDSU community.

The Tapestry recognizes NDSU students, faculty, staff and alumni for their accomplishments regarding cultural pluralism. Therefore, nominees should be persons who:

1. Demonstrate their commitment to diversity and multiculturalism through their life experiences wherein their impact and level of influence is felt locally, regionally, nationally or internationally;
2. Show a consistent pattern of going **above and beyond professional motivation (i.e. NDSU position) or the requirements of a course of study** by taking the personal **initiative** to create an inclusive and welcoming environment; and
3. Promote, facilitate, and advocate for social engagement among people from at least one of the following categories: people with varying ages, socioeconomic statuses, mental and physical abilities, races, ethnicities, gender identities, religions, sexes, and sexual orientations.

If selected by the Tapestry Committee, inductees will be honored during a ceremony on **Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 at 12pm in Century Theatre**, Memorial Union. Following the ceremony, inductees' photographs, biographies, and fabric selections will be framed and hung alongside the Tapestry in the Memorial Union.

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## HOW DO I NOMINATE SOMEONE FOR THE TAPESTRY OF DIVERSE TALENTS?

### NOMINATOR TO-DO LIST:

1. Select a person affiliated with NDSU who meets the Tapestry of Diverse Talents criteria
2. Complete the nomination form (See page 3)
3. Contact two other individuals to complete the nomination form
  - If an NDSU student is not the nominator, one of the nominations must be completed by a student.
  - 3 total nominations must be submitted for the application to be considered

### A COMPLETE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

- 3 completed nomination forms with letters of support
  - One nomination must be from an NDSU student.

### SUBMISSION

- Complete applications should be submitted by **Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017** to Hailey Goplen ([hailey.goplen@ndsu.edu](mailto:hailey.goplen@ndsu.edu)) or Katie Harmelink ([katherine.harmelink@ndsu.edu](mailto:katherine.harmelink@ndsu.edu))
- Questions, comments, and completed applications can be directed to:
  - Hailey Goplen ([hailey.goplen@ndsu.edu](mailto:hailey.goplen@ndsu.edu))
  - Katie Harmelink ([katherine.harmelink@ndsu.edu](mailto:katherine.harmelink@ndsu.edu))

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# NOMINATION FORM

DATE:

NAME OF NOMINEE:

STATUS OF NOMINEE (CIRCLE):      Undergraduate Student                  Graduate Student                  Faculty

   Staff    Alumni

NAME OF NOMINATOR:

NOMINATOR PHONE NUMBER:

NOMINATOR EMAIL:

STATUS OF NOMINATOR (CIRCLE):    Undergraduate Student      Graduate Student      Faculty

   Staff                  Alumni                  Other

PLEASE PROVIDE A LETTER OF SUPPORT IN RESPONSE TO THE FOLLOWING PROMPT ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER.

1. Identify a **maximum of 3** categories of diversity in which the nominee is engaged, including but not limited to: age, race, socio-economic status, religion, mental ability, physical ability, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, veterans, etc.
2. Using the categories of diversity selected above, please create a letter of support that includes clear, specific examples of actions, projects, and decisions that demonstrate how the nominee has gone **above and beyond** the parameters of his or her coursework or employment to choose to promote and advocate for diversity. Please discuss the **impact** of these efforts, as well.

**DEADLINE: 3 nomination forms (including letters of support) must be submitted by Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017** to Hailey Goplen (hailey.goplen@ndsu.edu) or Katie Harmelink (katherine.harmelink@ndsu.edu).

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## NOMINATION CHECKLIST:

- ☐ 3 completed nomination forms (See page 3)
  - Including 3 letters of support in response to the prompt provided on the nomination form
  - 1 nomination must be written by a student
- ☐ Materials turned into Hailey Goplen or Katie Harmelink in the Student Activities Office, Memorial Union
  - [hailey.goplen@ndsu.edu](mailto:hailey.goplen@ndsu.edu) (701-231-8566)
  - [katie.harmelink@ndsu.edu](mailto:katie.harmelink@ndsu.edu) (701-231-7350)