Use the questions below as a guide to prepare your nomination before you submit it. Mandatory fields are noted in bold with an asterisk (*).

Access and Opportunity Award

This annual award recognizes and individual or group who has achieved significant impact for work related to the NDSU Agriculture strategic goal, `celebrate, integrate and embrace the power of access and opportunity.'

Eligibility: All departments/units, committees, or individuals are eligible.

Nominees should have efforts related to the project in the last calendar year aligned with at least one of the following strategic plan key metrics:

1) *Design and integrate programs, curricula, outreach opportunities and policies that uphold comprehensive access and opportunity, respect, and connection;*
2) *Increase inclusive and collaborative opportunities and partnerships that prepare staff, faculty, and students to be successful in a multi-faceted and globally connected world;*
3) *Prioritize and deliver creative education and Extension opportunities that optimize educational experiences for different types of learners (reaching a rich mix of thought, ability, location, age, race, ethnicity, gender, etc.); and*
4) *Increase participation in programs and enrollments of students identified as non-traditional agriculture audiences.*

Nominations can be made by any student, staff, faculty, or administrator and will be reviewed by a select team of members of NDSU Agriculture Council for Access and Opportunity Council (ACAO). Note: ACAO members who are nominated will not be reviewing applicants for that award cycle.

1. **Nominee or group name (include all names)***

2. **Project or program title***

3. **Current office, department/unit***

4. Attach a photo of the nominee *(Submit up to three photos. Max: 300 MB, high resolution photo(s) preferred. Photo can be provided later. Contact ndsu.vpag@ndsu.edu if you have any questions.)*

Please summarize how the nominee(s) demonstrated the criteria and why they should be considered for the award in the sections below.

5. **Provide information on the project that the nominee(s) is/are involved in, and how the project aligns with the strategic plan.** *(150 words or less.)***

6. **Provide data on the number of people impacted and how the number was determined** *(75 words or less.)***

7. **Provide specific information on the expected outcomes of the project, as well as plans for sustainability for the project.** *(150 words or less.)***

8. **Provide specific information on partners/collaborators in the project.** *(150 words or less.)***

9. **Provide one concise sentence that embodies the nominee(s) contributions, which may be shared at the award ceremony. This may be a quote from you or taken from the support letter**.*

10. **Attach a PDF of a letter of support from someone the nominee impacted.** *(Max: 300 MB)**

11. **Nominator name (First Name, Last Name)***

12. **Nominator title***

13. **Nominator location (department/unit)***

14. **Nominator relationship to nominee (please select)***
    - Peer
    - Nominee's supervisor
    - Nominee is my immediate supervisor

15. **Nominator email address***

16. **Nominator phone number***

17. Email address of person entering nomination *(Enter if different from nominator email address. This person will also receive email confirmation)*

After clicking the save/submit button, you will receive an email confirmation with the submitted data. You will be able to update the information until the deadline of 12 p.m., Oct. 20.

Your form may take a minute or so to save. Please keep your browser window open until you see our "Thank You!" message.