



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

ACVS Merit Award

Deadline: April 1

Purpose:

The ACVS Merit Award allows recognition of non-ACVS Diplomates who have made major contributions to the conduct of veterinary surgery through the development of methods, techniques, devices, and educational aspects of veterinary surgery. Through their accomplishments, the candidate advanced many of the goals associated with the American College of Veterinary Surgeons (ACVS). The award is only open to non-Diplomates.

Eligibility:

1. The recipient must be a veterinarian who is not an ACVS Diplomate.
2. It must be at least 15 years since the candidate received their DVM or equivalent degree. The Board of Regents will consider exceptions in rare and unusual circumstances.

Selection Criteria:

1. Evidence of an outstanding career in veterinary surgery with national and international recognition of the candidate's contributions to the science and methodology of veterinary surgery. Selection emphasis is on the entire career of the nominee rather than on a single activity or incident.
2. Fifteen years or more service as a veterinarian in such activities as clinical veterinary practice; surgical instruction and equitable engagement of colleagues, residents, and students; the pursuit of surgical research; and other activities associated with advancing the practice of veterinary surgery and creating an inclusive, safe learning environment.
3. Dissemination of information to colleagues through published works, scientific presentations, continuing education efforts, and inclusive tutoring activities locally, regionally, and nationally.
4. Contributions to other national and international surgical organizations such as volunteer service; mentoring; and supporting diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Nomination Procedure:

A complete nomination packet will include the nomination form, the nominee's curriculum vitae, and at least two letters of support from ACVS Diplomates. Please submit the complete nomination packet in one email, with all required forms and letters attached, to Joanne Magro, executive assistant, jmagro@acvs.org. The ACVS office must receive all nominations and supporting documents no later than April 1 of the year of consideration.

If you have questions, please call the ACVS office: (301) 916-0200 x111 or email: jmagro@acvs.org.

