



Guidance and further information: IPEM Spiers' Prize for Outreach

The IPEM Spiers' Prize for Outreach is awarded in memory of Professor F W Spiers.

Regulations

1. The Spiers' Prize for Outreach Award is open to all IPEM members (UK and overseas) regardless of age, grade of membership, discipline or employment.
2. The Spiers' Prize for Outreach is awarded to any member who can demonstrate how they have improved education or raised awareness of Medical Physics and Engineering through outreach activities. The target audience for outreach is members of the public (for example, school children, adults, patients) but excludes fellow professionals and government agencies.
3. Candidates can self-nominate or be nominated by a colleague for this award. IPEM will inform nominated candidates that they have been put forward for an award. The nominator can decide in the nomination form whether they wish for their details to remain anonymous.
4. Candidates or nominators should complete the application form and submit evidence to support the application, as detailed on the application form and in this guidance.
5. IPEM committees, including the President's Advisory Committee (PAC), Professional & Standards Council (PSC) and the Science, Technology, Engineering, Research and Innovation Council (STERIC) will also be asked to nominate potential nominees when the prizes launch each year. Council and committee members can nominate these individuals, or IPEM can contact them to self-nominate.
6. The IPEM Prizes and Awards Committee will review applications and make the decision concerning the award. All applicants/ nominees will receive an email notifying them of the award outcome.
7. As part of the review process, in discussion with the awardee, the Prizes and Awards Committee will decide how to disseminate the success of the winning applicant. This may include, but is not limited to, a conference speaking slot, SCOPE article, or other IPEM media channels the Committee deem appropriate.
8. The prize awardee will be asked to provide a brief paragraph and photo to be used in IPEM's media channels. Further details will be communicated when winners are notified.
9. The recipient may only receive the Spiers' Prize for Outreach once in their lifetime. One Spiers' Prize for Outreach is awarded each year.
10. Rewards
 - £300 personal award to be used in whatever manner the recipient deems fit.

- A certificate.

Application

1. The candidate or their nominator should complete the Spiers' Prize for Outreach application form.
2. The citation should describe, in up to 500 words, what significant contribution the candidate has made to improve education or raise awareness of Medical Physics and Engineering through outreach activities.
3. It is strongly encouraged that relevant evidence is submitted to substantiate contributions the candidate has made as this will enhance the application. Evidence could include, but is not limited to, supporting statements.
4. If the application is a nomination, the nominator should indicate on the application form whether they consent to their name being shared with the candidate.

Criteria against which the application will be assessed

1. Has the made a substantial and sustained contribution to improving education or raising awareness of Medical Physics and Engineering through outreach activities.
2. Does the application citation and supporting documentation demonstrate and independently evidence the candidate's significant contributions as outlined above.