

# Nominating Individuals for SSSS Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award

**Deadline: March 1, 2012**

The SSSS Awards and Fellows Committee welcomes nomination materials for the SSSS Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award on or before March 1, 2012.

## Distinguished Scientific Achievement Award Criteria

The Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality's Award for Distinguished Scientific Achievement recognizes professionals who have made outstanding contributions to the field of sexology. In line with the organizational goal to advance the field as a scientific discipline, the award is presented to honor scientific contributions as reflected in such professional activities as research, education or therapy. The notion of scientific contribution is intended to be interpreted broadly to include such activities as publishing materials for the public, developing therapeutic or educational programs, and giving service to the public or the profession as well as publishing research or developing new practices. Since the award is presented to recognize scientific work in the field of sexuality, it is not necessarily restricted to members of The Society.

## Award nomination guidelines, as modified by the SSSS Board of Directors in November 2008:

1. "The Awards Committee is committed to avoiding potential conflicts of interest. Hence, members of the Awards Committee and Executive Committee of The Society's Board of Directors are ineligible for consideration for any/all Society awards considered by the Awards Committee during their term of service."
2. **All Society award nominations require the following materials in a single evidence file: the award candidate's current vita and two letters of support by Society members.**
3. The individual who assumes responsibility for nominating a particular candidate for an award (not the Awards Committee) bears responsibility for locating individuals willing to support the nomination and for submitting the complete evidence file for a candidate to the Awards Committee Chair. S/he agrees to collect all necessary information and transmit this electronically to the Chair of the Fellows/Awards Committee on or before the March 1 deadline. The Awards/ Fellow Committee Chair will not take this role.
4. Each nominator assumes responsibility for collecting appropriate data on an award candidate without a candidate's knowledge of the nomination to prevent disappointment and safeguard confidential discussion of qualifications.
5. The official deadline for complete files (all information needed for the Awards/Fellows Committee to consider a candidate for a potential award or fellow status) is March 1, 2012. The Committee will not consider incomplete files and late nominations following the March 1 date.
6. **Please use email to address any questions and nomination materials to William L. Yarber, HSD, Chair of the Awards and Fellows Committee. Bill's email address is yarber@indiana.edu**