

**2025 Chancellor’s Retiree of the Year Awards
Nomination Form**

The Chancellor’s Retiree of the Year Awards focus on the accomplishments of former UMSL employees, after their retirement. These accomplishments may involve service to the University, civic and welfare services, career and professional activities, or other noteworthy accomplishments. Accomplishments prior to retirement are not considered in the selection process.

Two awards will be given: one to a faculty member and one to a staff member. Each award includes a plaque and a check.

Criteria for Candidates

- Nominees must be an UMSL retiree¹ and have been retired from UMSL for at least five years.²
- Recipients are expected to attend the annual Chancellor’s State of the University Address to receive the award.

Nomination Process

To nominate (or re-nominate) a retiree, please complete the form below and:

1. Prepare a letter with the following information:
 - a. Nominee’s extraordinary accomplishments since retiring.
 - b. Personal and background information about the nominee.
 - c. Summary—most important reason(s) why you believe the candidate should receive one of the awards.
2. Attach two (2) letters of support from others who know the nominee.
3. Please keep the nomination package to 10 pages or less, excluding this cover Nomination Form.
4. It is possible to nominate one’s self.

Candidate Name: _____

Faculty Staff Year of Retirement _____ UMSL Dept. at time of Retirement _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

Nominator Name: _____ Faculty Staff Self Alum Retiree Community

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

Please return form and nomination package by **April 1, 2025**
to:

Melissa Hattman mhattman@att.net
Or
University of Missouri - St. Louis
UMSL Retirees Association
Alumni Office
414 Woods Hall
St. Louis, MO 63121

Checklist for Nominations:

 1. Completed Nomination Form

 2. Letter of accomplishments, including:

- Service to UMSL, volunteer civic and welfare service, professional and noteworthy achievements
- Background and personal information

 3. Two (2) letters of support from others who know the nominee.

1. For the purposes of this award, an “UMSL retiree” is a person who has permanently left full-time employment at UMSL as a faculty or staff member, and who is eligible to participate in a University of Missouri Retirement Plan. See: https://www.umssystem.edu/totalrewards/retirement/core_and_voluntary_plans

2. That is, an applicant for the 2025 award must have retired prior to year (2020).



Previous Retirees of the Year Awardees

2018-2019:

Staff Award: Nan Kammann-Judd

Faculty Award: David L. Garin

2019-2020:

Staff Award: Deborah Kettler

Faculty Award: Sandy MacLean

2020-2021:

Faculty Award: Steven D. Spaner

2021-2022:

Staff Award: Connie Funk Jeffries

Faculty Award: Zuleyma Tang-Martinez

2022-2023:

Staff Award: Yolanda Weathersby Marshall

Faculty Award: Beverly Sporleder

2023-2024:

Staff Award: Benard Diggs

Faculty Award: Dave Ganz