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# FREDDYS

*student engagement awards*

Awards, Criteria, & Nomination Forms

Due March 31, 2026 at noon

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## **Instructions**

Review the individual and organization awards criteria below and submit your nominations: [2026 Freddys Nominations](#). You may submit multiple unique nominations for each category. Submit completed nomination forms no later than **Tuesday, March 31, 2026; nominations will close at noon**. *You may be asked to log in to complete the forms. Please utilize your UTPB login.* Eligible nominees and nominators will be invited to the Student Engagement Banquet on Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00pm. Questions? Email [studentlife@utpb.edu](mailto:studentlife@utpb.edu)

## **Student Awards**

### **1. UTPB Legacy Award** must

- Be graduating in Spring 2026, Summer 2026, or have graduated in December 2025
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Have been involved in at least two groups on campus (eligible groups include recognized student organizations, department organizations, and athletics)
- Have held a leadership position in at least one group on campus for one semester or more (eligible groups include recognized student organizations, sponsored student organizations, department organizations, and athletics)
- Have served as a mentor to other students in some capacity (informally or formally)
- Demonstrate the potential to be a continued leader after graduation

### **2. Falcon Leadership Award** must

- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Be classified as a junior or senior (completed more than 60 credit hours)
- Demonstrate leadership at UTPB through involvement with registered or sponsored student organizations, department, program, or committee

### **3. Emerging Leader Award** must

- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Be classified as a freshman or sophomore (completed less than 60 credit hours)
- Must be involved with at least one registered or sponsored student organization, department, program, or committee
- Have the potential to be a continued leader on campus

### **4. Outstanding Student Organization President** must

- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Have been the current president of a registered or sponsored student organization for more than one semester
- Demonstrate commitment to the betterment of the organization
- Help the organization demonstrate its mission through programs and initiatives
- Motivate members of the organization to positively influence student life on campus

### **5. Outstanding Student Organization Member** must

- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Have been an active member or officer (other than President) of a registered or sponsored student organization for more than one semester
- Demonstrate commitment to the betterment of the organization
- Help the organization demonstrate its mission through programs and initiatives

### **6. Sorority Member of the Year** must:

- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75
- Be an active member in a registered sorority
- Exemplify the sorority's founding principles/values and demonstrate them in everyday life
- Have contributed to the advancement of their chapter, Sorority and Fraternity Life, and UTPB

**7. Outstanding Commitment to Service (Individual) must:**

- Be a currently enrolled student at UT Permian Basin
- Have contributed service and volunteer hours to the community and/or the campus during the past academic year
- Be able to verify service and volunteer hours as needed

**8. Outstanding Commitment to UT Permian Basin Values (Individual) must:**

- Be a currently enrolled student at UT Permian Basin
- Have exemplified one or more of UT Permian Basin's values: extra mile service, kindheartedness, integrity, collaboration, and innovation. [Read the University's definitions of these values.](#)
- Have positively contributed to the campus community through one or more of UT Permian Basin's values.

**9. Intern of the Year must**

- Have completed an internship in the 2025-2026 Academic Year
- Have worked with Career Services on resume, search, and/or attended Career Services events
- Receive a recommendation from their internship supervisor
- Be a currently enrolled student at UT Permian Basin
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0

**10. Falcon PRO-fessional must**

- Worked with Career Services on at least three services and/or attended Career Services events
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Be a currently enrolled student at UT Permian Basin

**Organization Awards**

**1. Registered Student Organization of the Year must**

- Be a currently registered student organization with the Office of Student Activities
- Have been a registered student organization more than two consecutive semesters
- Not have directly received Student Service Fee funding as a main source of operating budget
- Have positively influenced student life through its programs, activities, and/or other organizational efforts
- Be able to demonstrate their mission through its programs, activities, and/or other organizational efforts

**2. New Registered Student Organization of the Year must**

- Be a currently registered student organization with the Office of Student Activities
- Have been a registered student organization no more than two consecutive semesters
- Not have directly received Student Service Fee funding as a main source of operating budget
- Have positively influenced student life through its programs, activities, and/or other organizational efforts
- Be able to demonstrate their mission through its programs, activities, and/or other organizational efforts

**3. RSO Program of the Year must:**

- Have been hosted by a registered student organization (registered with The Office of Student Activities)
- Have been approved through the Office of Student Activities
- Have been an original program (previous winning programs are not eligible)
- Not been funded with Student Service Fees as the main source of budget
- Have been open to all students
- Have enhanced student life at UTPB

**4. Outstanding Commitment to Service (Organization) must:**

- Be a currently registered student organization with the Office of Student Activities
- Have contributed service and volunteer hours to the community and/or the campus during the past academic year

- Be able to verify service and volunteer hours as needed

**5. Outstanding Commitment to UT Permian Basin Values (Organization) must:**

- Be a currently registered student organization with the Office of Student Activities
- Have exemplified one or more of UT Permian Basin's values: extra mile service, kindheartedness, integrity, collaboration, and innovation. [Read the University's definitions of these values.](#)
- Have positively contributed to the campus community through one or more of UT Permian Basin's values.

**Staff Awards**

**1. Outstanding Student Organization Advisor must**

- Have been the advisor of a registered or sponsored student organization for at least one semester
- Demonstrate commitment to supporting the members of the organization
- Serve as a mentor and motivate members to achieve organizational goals

**2. UTPB Career Champion must**

- Be a UTPB Staff or Faculty member
- Have supported students' professional development and enhanced students' career readiness skills

**3. Rising Falcon Award must:**

- Be a staff member within the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management
- Have worked in the division less than three years
- Demonstrate dedication to UTPB students through quality work and service
- Contribute toward achieving the goals of their department or office
- Display a positive attitude and commitment to the continual improvement or growth of student engagement

**4. Teresa L. Sewell Distinguished Service Award must:**

- Be a staff member within the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management
- Have worked in the division three or more years
- Demonstrate dedication to UTPB students through quality work and service
- Contribute toward achieving the goals of their department or office
- Display a positive attitude and commitment to the continual improvement or growth of student engagement

**5. University Program of the Year must:**

- Have been hosted by a university sponsored student organization or university department
- Have been an original program (previous winning programs are not eligible)
- Have been open to all students
- Have enhanced student life at UTPB

The below awards will also be presented at The Freddys:

- Student Government Association will present the Student Senator of the Year.
- Campus Activities Board will present the CABee of the Year award.
- UTPB Spirit will present the Spirit award.
- UTPB Folklorico will present the Outstanding Stage Personality and Outstanding Dedication Awards.
- The Office of New Student and Family Programs will present the New Student Orientation Lasting Impact and Orientation Leader of the Year awards.
- The Office of Residence Life will present the Outstanding Resident Assistant of the Year award.
- The Office of Dean of Students will present the Dean's Dozen awards.