

UNITED FRONT MULTICULTURAL COMMONS
C.L.A.S.S. AWARDS
(Campus Wide Impact, Leadership, Academics,
Social Justice & Service Awards)



CALL TO NOMINATE

We invite you to nominate exceptional graduating students for the prestigious C.L.A.S.S. Awards (Campus Wide Impact, Leadership, Academics, Social Justice & Service). This is a chance to honor undergraduate and graduate students who have made significant contributions to the University of San Diego community. Nominees and award recipients will be celebrated at The 21st Annual United Front Multicultural Commons' Banquet on **Thursday, April 30th, 2026 at 5:30pm** in the UC Forum C.

AWARD DESCRIPTIONS

The L. Reuben Mitchell Award for Campus-Wide Impact

This award is for a student who has contributed to the University through their leadership, active involvement and outstanding contributions to diversity, equity and inclusion across campus.

The Dr. Evelyn Kirkley Award for Leadership

This award is for a student who led an organization as a member of an executive board and through their leadership capacity led initiatives that contributed to the development of leadership in others.

The Dr. Joseph Colombo Award for Academics

This award is for a student who received a 3.5 and above grade point average in their field and participated in research and/or conferences where they presented their academic work focused on diversity, equity, and/or social justice issues.

The Dr. Judy Rauner Award for Social Justice

This award is for a student who led community service initiatives or other projects that addressed community issues. This student was instrumental in establishing partnerships and engaging students in social justice work.

The Dr. Judith Liu Award for Service

This award honors a student who has significantly impacted the San Diego community through active involvement and service beyond USD. Their actions contribute to fostering connections and bridging gaps that strengthen the bonds within and between communities.

BACKGROUND

Established in 2006, the C.L.A.S.S. Awards are named in honor of distinguished University of San Diego faculty and staff who have made significant contributions to fostering a culturally diverse campus community. These individuals have created an environment that inspires student learning, personal growth, and prepares students to make a meaningful impact in an increasingly diverse and global society. The awards celebrate their legacy by recognizing students who embody the values of leadership, diversity, equity, and inclusion.

ELIGIBILITY

Students completing their degree requirements in May 2026, August 2026, or December 2026 are eligible for nomination.

TO NOMINATE: Fill out a Nomination Form using the link below:

[Nomination for 2026 C.L.A.S.S. Awards](#)

Deadline to submit a nomination is Wednesday, March 25th, 2026 by 5:00 p.m