AAVMC
American Association of Veterinary Medical Colleges

2027 Iverson Bell Award

Award Purpose

The Iverson Bell Award recognizes demonstrated commitment and significant contributions to promoting diversity and inclusion in academic veterinary medicine.

Nominee Eligibility

Nominees may be individuals within a college or school of veterinary medicine or individuals external to a college or school of veterinary medicine. Nominees are not required to be veterinarians. Posthumous nominations are not eligible for consideration.

Nominator Eligibility

Any individual employed at an AAVMC member institution may submit a nomination.

Nomination Materials

1. A nomination letter addressing the award criteria below.
2. Supporting documentation, including the nominee's CV and any letters of recommendation, limited to 10 single-sided pages.

Award Criteria

1. A demonstrated commitment to promoting diversity and inclusion in academic veterinary medicine through contributions that may have impact in any area–college, local area or region, state and/or national arenas.
2. Played a significant role in the recruitment, development, and retention of pre-vet and DVM students, faculty, residents and interns from underrepresented or disadvantaged and/or marginalized groups.
3. Included and promoted diversity in the veterinary medical profession through the inclusion/infusion of diversity issues in the college environment through programming and curriculum additions.

Selection Committee

The AAVMC Thrive Committee appoints the selection committee from among its members.