**About the Hudzik Prize**

The John and Anne Hudzik Prize for Sustained Leadership in Higher Education Internationalization (Hudzik Prize) was established by former NAFSA president and chair of the NAFSA Board of Directors, John K. Hudzik and his wife, Anne. The Hudzik Prize is awarded to individuals who have made sustained contributions to internationalization in areas including scholarship, administrative leadership, community engagement, and education.

Candidates from anywhere in the world may be nominated for the Hudzik Prize by individuals or organizations from any country. The recipient will be chosen by a committee composed of senior higher education professionals representing a broad array of internationalization experience. No more than one Hudzik Prize will be bestowed each year.

**Eligibility Criteria**

***Nominee***

* The nominee does not need to be a NAFSA member.
* NAFSA does not bestow posthumous awards.
* Self-nominations are permitted.
* A complete nomination requires submission of the nominee’s résumé or c.v. no longer than five pages with the completed nomination form.

***Nominators***

* Nominators can be individuals or organizations from any country. Each nomination must include a minimum of two nominators from different countries.
* One of the nominators must be a current NAFSA member.
* Current members of the NAFSA Board of Directors as of the application closing date (January 20, 2026) are not eligible for consideration nor to be nominators.
* NAFSA staff are not eligible for consideration nor to be nominators.

**Nominee Information**

Please provide information about the individual being nominated to receive the Hudzik Prize.

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| **Title** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Organization** | Click or tap here to enter text. |
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**Executive Summary**

Please provide a 200-word summary which outlines the sustained contributions to internationalization by the individual; the outcomes for the field of international education; and benefits of the initiative(s).

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**Award Criteria**

Please summarize using examples how the individual has demonstrated success in advancing the meaning, practice, and outcomes of higher education and has documented shaping internationalization programmatically and conceptually in the following four categories, recognizing that strengths may vary by category.

***Guidelines***

Additional appendixes, images, links, graphs, and charts will not be accepted and will not be shared with the selection committee. **Please incorporate any data into the narrative of your short essays.**

For more information on Hudzik Prize criteria, please see <https://www.nafsa.org/about/about-nafsa/Hudzik-Prize>.

1. **Administrative Leadership** (maximum 300 words)Evidence of the implementation of successful, strategic internationalization efforts at an institution or organization through administrative leadership.

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1. **Community Engagement** (maximum 300 words)Evidence of engagement of individuals or organizations external to the higher education institution through policy, advocacy, programming, or other strategies that expanded the impact of internationalization efforts to communities.

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1. **Education** (maximum 300 words)Evidence of a broad impact of internationalization efforts influencing the education sector through development of individuals in international education, formal or informal teaching or mentoring, and/or influencing policy or advocacy supporting higher education internationalization.

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1. **Scholarship** (maximum 300 words)Evidence of written work that has influenced public discourse on internationalization in higher education including thought leadership, refereed journal articles, books, or other publications.

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**Nominator #1 Information**

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| **Are you a NAFSA Member?**  NAFSA membership is required for at least one of the nominators. | Choose an item. |

**Nominator #1 Statement** (maximum 300 words)

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**Nominator #2 Information**

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**Nominator #2 Statement** (maximum 300 words)

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**Checklist before submission**

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| ☐ | Nominee’s résumé/CV will be submitted as supporting documentation. *The nominee’s résumé/CV must be in English and should be no longer than 5 pages in length.* |
| ☐ | Nominators are from two different countries. |
| ☐ | At least one nominator is a NAFSA member. |
| ☐ | Short essays and statements meet word counts:* Executive summary – maximum 200 words
* Award criteria short essay – maximum 300 words per category
* Nominator statement – maximum 300 words per statement
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**Questions?**

Please direct any questions about the Hudzik Prize to internationalization@nafsa.org.

**Submission**

In order to be considered, the following must be submitted to NAFSA no later than 11:59 p.m. ET on Tuesday, January 20, 2026:

* NOMINATION FORM (this document, uploaded as an attachment)
* TWO NOMINATION STATEMENTS (included this document)
* RÉSUMÉ/CURRICULUM VITAE OF NOMINEE (uploaded as an attachment)

Submit the completed nomination form and supporting documentation here: [**https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/c615c70f5f7a42deac41f7880d6d140e**](https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/c615c70f5f7a42deac41f7880d6d140e)

**Privacy Statement**

By completing this form, uploading the requested documents, and submitting a nomination, you agree to allow NAFSA to use your responses in accordance with NAFSA’s Privacy Policy (<https://www.nafsa.org/legal-information/privacy-policy>). You agree that NAFSA may collect personally identifiable information about the nominee and the nominators. This information will be used solely for consideration for the Hudzik Prize.