

## Distinguished Fellowship of the CSMLS – FCSMLS(D)

Distinguished Fellowship of the CSMLS is the highest level of recognition that can be bestowed upon a member. It is granted to members who have made significant and sustained contributions to the field of medical laboratory science at the national or international level, in one of the following areas:

- scientific achievement
- education
- management/quality management/ patient safety

### Eligibility Requirements

The nominee must:

- be a certified member in good standing for a minimum of 10 years.
- be certified at FCSMLS or ART level, or have a related university degree at the undergraduate or graduate level.
- have published works in professional publications (professional journals at the provincial, national and/or international level, text books, proceedings of professional meetings, professional reports)
- Nominations that are declined by the Grants, Scholarship & Awards Committee cannot be resubmitted for a period of three years.
- Current members of the CSMLS Board of Directors, staff and their immediate families are not eligible for this award.
- A member may only be considered for one grant, scholarship or award per year with the exception of the BD Quality Assurance Project Award.

### Guidelines

1. One Distinguished Fellowship may be awarded in each of the three categories (scientific achievement, education & management/ quality management /patient safety) each year.
2. Three nominators are required, all of whom must be certified members in good standing.
3. The nomination must be submitted (postmarked) to the CSMLS office by
  4. The President, in consultation with the executive staff may appoint external assessors who are knowledgeable in the nominee's field of expertise to assist the Grants, Scholarships & Awards Committee in their deliberations. Assessors will submit a report to the Committee.
  5. The CSMLS Grants, Scholarships & Awards Committee will judge the nominees based on the information submitted with the application and reports from external assessors. As with all awards, submissions are held in strict confidentiality, as are the deliberations of the judging committee. The CSMLS reserves the right to not grant an award in a given year if an entry of sufficient merit is not received.
  6. The award will consist of: Free CSMLS membership for life, the use of the FCSMLS(D) designation and a special memento to be presented at LABCON, CSMLS's national conference. It must be accepted in the year granted; no cash equivalent or other options are available. CSMLS will also provide:
    - a) Return airfare (economy class) to LABCON
    - b) Hotel accommodation and meal allowance at current CSMLS rates for the duration of LABCON
    - c) Full weekly registration for LABCON (workshops not included)
  7. Nominations that are received without all of the required documents will not be accepted.

### **Documents Required**

1. A current resume (must include employment history for the past 10 years, educational and professional credentials, and professional awards/citations)
2. A detailed citation (at least 600 words) suitable for publication, describing why the nominee is worthy of Distinguished Fellowship. It should include the nominee's contributions to the profession, significant achievements, professional involvement, and volunteer contributions.
3. A list of publications (articles in peer reviewed and/or professional journals, book reviews, editorials, etc.). Copies of publications and other material relevant to the nomination must be included with the nomination.
4. Letters of support from colleagues/peers will strengthen the nomination and may also be included.

**The deadline for submission is November 1<sup>st</sup>.**



Please read the Fact Sheets carefully to ensure the nominee meets the criteria and is being nominated for the most appropriate award.

## Nominee Information

**Please attach a description of the following elements pertaining to the Nominee (standard CV):**

### **Educational/Professional**

- outline the diplomas/degrees attained including educational institutions and dates
- outline professional qualifications or designations achieved including dates

## Employment

- for the previous ten years including employer's name, address, dates, and positions held

## Publications

- Describe any publications that the nominee has authored, co-authored or contributed to. This may include journal submissions, book reviews and other written material.

**Professional Involvement**

- Describe the contributions made to the CSMLS and the profession of medical laboratory science at the local, provincial and/or national level.

**Other Involvement**

- Describe the nominee's involvement and contributions made to other associations including other professional societies, community groups, service clubs, etc.

**Citation**

- Describe, in a format suitable for publication, how the nominee meets the award criteria as outlined on the fact sheet. (*Recommended length: 600 words*)

**Nominated by:**

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**Award nomination should be submitted by November 1st to:**

**Mail to:**

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Canadian Society for Medical Laboratory Science  
33 Wellington Street North  
Hamilton, ON L8R 1M7

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