2021 PICS Awards Guidelines

The PICS Awards recognize and celebrate PICS Scholars for contributing to the ‘PICS Way’ through the co-development of innovative and impactful climate solution research. The ‘PICS Way’ promotes the co-design, co-development and co-delivery of climate solutions between researchers, solution seekers and PICS.

The PICS Award for Leadership in Engaged Research will be given to PICS Scholars who have excelled in advancing climate solutions not only by contributing to new knowledge for mitigation or adaptation, but also by co-developing these solutions with the solution seekers – decision-makers within government, business, civil society, First Nations, and our communities.

Up to two awards in this category will be given out every year, with decisions made by an Awards Adjudication Committee. The Committee will consist of PICS staff and PICS Scholars alumni.

Awarded will receive $2,000 for participation in a National or International Conference or other professional development opportunity. As part of the recognition, a plaque will be given to students for their outstanding efforts.

PICS Award for Leadership in Engaged Research: Awarded for outstanding contributions to climate solutions research co-developed with the solution seeker.

Criteria considered by the Committee when reviewing nominations

- Outstanding contributions to new research that is making a significant impact on climate mitigation and/or climate adaptation solutions.
- Demonstrated efforts to co-develop new knowledge with the solution seekers.
- Demonstrated commitment to solving complex problems that arise in boundary-spanning research.
- Demonstrated efforts to mobilize new knowledge beyond academia and the project partners.

Eligibility

All PICS scholars, students, and Post-Doctoral researchers, including recent graduates who were active in the project during 2020, are eligible for the 2021 PICS Awards. Students and Post-Docs who are not receiving PICS funding but are involved in the PICS projects are also eligible.

Nominations

Current supervisors, research partners, and members of the PICS community can nominate outstanding students, Post-Docs, and recent graduates for these awards. Self-nominations are also encouraged.
Email a completed Nomination Form along with the nominee’s curriculum vitae to picsawards@uvic.ca with the name of the award and the name of the nominee in the subject line. The deadline for applications is March 08, 2021.