The Alan T. Waterman Award
Call for Nominations

Nomination Period: July 19 – September 20, 2021

The U.S. National Science Foundation's Highest Honor

The **Alan T. Waterman Award** is the highest honor awarded by the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF). In 1975, Congress established the award in honor of the agency's first director and to recognize outstanding young researchers in any field of science or engineering supported by the U.S. National Science Foundation. In addition to a medal, each awardee receives a grant of $1,000,000 over five years for scientific research or advanced study at the institution of the recipient's choice.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria

NSF seeks nominations that reflect the diversity of the United States of America.

1. Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. They must be **40 years of age or younger, or not more than 10 years beyond receipt of their Ph.D. degree,** by December 31 of the year in which they are nominated.

2. Candidates should have demonstrated exceptional individual achievements in scientific or engineering research of sufficient quality, originality, innovation, and significant impact on the field to place them at the forefront of their peers.

Nominations

Nominees are accepted in any field of science or engineering that the NSF supports.

Nominations will be accepted from July 19 - September 20, 2021.

Nomination packages consist of a nomination and four letters of reference.

The nominations and letters must be received through the FastLane system.

To submit a nomination, please visit: https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/honawards.

Join us on July 19 at 4:00 p.m. (ET) for a webinar providing an overview of the Alan T. Waterman award and tips for submitting strong nominations.

Please use the link below to register and for Zoom login.

https://nsf.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsc-CorDIjE-7kIE4Peglw_bbkWUp7N70

Submit your questions for the webinar to the Alan T. Waterman Award Program Manager at waterman@nsf.gov.

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