

# Oscar Humberto Montemayor Award Nomination

Over a three-decade career at Oregon State, Oscar Humberto Montemayor served the OSU community with diligence and grace. He was limitlessly dedicated to the success of students. After graduating from Oregon State, Oscar served as the academic counselor with the College Assistance Migrant Program for many years and later served as the Associate Director for Academic Success with Diversity & Cultural Engagement. Through his deeds and spirit, Oscar was himself a home away from home for countless Oregon State students.

Following his passing in October 2016, a colleague wrote that, Oscar “was a friend, mentor, colleague, elder, witness, storyteller, and joyful comrade in this struggle for justice. He was loved, respected, and cherished by all who met him.”

A student remembered that “Oscar was truly a force of good in a world that is tragically full of sorrow. Always smiling, always concerned, always putting the needs of others ahead of himself.”

Finally, a colleague noted that “Oscar was a leader for social justice in ways that we cannot even count, or recognize, because they are so widespread and ubiquitous.”

In recognition of Oscar’s lasting legacy at Oregon State, the Oscar Humberto Montemayor Award honors an Oregon State student who embodies Oscar’s ethos of selfless service; steady, strong, considerate leadership; and trailblazing spirit and heart.

## Nomination Criteria

Students nominated for the award should be:

- A community builder and connector who brings individuals together and helps create a home away from home for Oregon State students from underrepresented communities;
- A trailblazer who creates and organizes to lift up, support and celebrate individuals and communities;
- A quiet, steady, considerate, under-the-radar leader who goes above and beyond the call of their role out of love and care for their community; and,
- A spark who brings life, laughter, spirit and resilience to their actions and deeds

**Nominations must be submitted by noon Friday, Dec. 8, 2023.**

Nominators may submit multiple nominations.

Please direct any questions regarding your nomination(s) to the Office of Institutional Diversity at [diversity@oregonstate.edu](mailto:diversity@oregonstate.edu).

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\* Indicates required question

1. Nominator's Name (your name) \*

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2. Nominator's Email Address \*

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3. Nominator's Role/Department (e.g. student in College of Science, professor in Ethnic Studies) \*

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4. Nominator's Oregon State Affiliation \*

*Mark only one oval.*

Student

Professional Faculty

Academic Faculty

Staff

Other

5. Nominee's Name \*

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6. Nominee's Email Address \*

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7. Nominee's Role/Department (e.g. student in College of Science, professor in Ethnic \* Studies)

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8. Nominee's Oregon State Affiliation \*

*Mark only one oval.*

- Student
- Professional Faculty
- Academic Faculty
- Staff
- Other

#### Award Nomination Information

Please complete each section of the award nomination form describing how the nominee meets each of the award criteria. You may cut and paste into this form, but please limit your responses to 500 words per criteria section.

9. Nominee is a community builder and connector who brings individuals together and \* helps create a home away from home for Oregon State students from underrepresented communities.

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10. Nominee is a trailblazer who creates and organizes to lift up, support and celebrate individuals and communities. \*

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11. Nominee is a quiet, steady, considerate, under-the-radar leader who goes above and beyond the call of their role out of love and care for their community. \*

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12. Nominee is a spark who brings life, laughter, spirit and resilience to their actions and deeds. \*

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