2021 UWA Safer Communities Award
Information Sheet

The University of Western Australia and UWA Student Guild are committed to ensuring all members of the University Community are able to work and study in a safe environment that is free from danger, intimidation and harassment.

The 2021 UWA Safer Communities Award aims to recognise the continued commitment and dedication of staff, students, student clubs and societies, and partners who go above and beyond to create a safe, inclusive and supportive community at The University in line with the UWA Student Experience Strategy – Experience UWA 2025.

Who can nominate?
- You can nominate individuals or teams across all areas of the University, Student Guild, and College Row.
- Students and staff are encouraged to nominate others.
- Nominations are also invited for collaborative projects between teams.
- Nominations should aim to demonstrate commitment that extends beyond an individual/team's usual core business or role.

Eligibility criteria:
- Projects or individuals demonstrate commitment to promoting safety, wellbeing or inclusion across the UWA environment (this can include the University's online spaces).
  - Examples of safety, wellbeing and inclusivity focus areas could include: personal safety, inclusivity, anti-racism, mental health and wellbeing, sexual assault and harassment, disrespectful behavior, risky alcohol or other drug use.

- Examples of programs or contributions could include:
  - Cultural change initiatives, training programs or events on health, safety or inclusivity topics.
  - Provision of high-quality and approachable services to support students.
  - Advocating for emerging student needs.
  - Awareness raising campaigns or cross-collaborative promotion initiatives.
  - Development or improvements to policies and procedures that protect and support students.
  - Initiatives that streamline referral pathways or access to support.
  - Improvements to infrastructure or University environments to promote safety or inclusivity.

Nomination process:
- UWA students or staff can nominate individuals, student clubs and societies, or teams who have gone above and beyond to create a safe, inclusive and supportive community.
- Nominations must be submitted using the online portal via the Safer Communities web page.
- See the Award Nomination Template on page 3 for the questions that will form fields on the Award Nomination Portal. Incomplete submissions in the portal will not be saved.
- Supporting documents can be uploaded using the award portal. These can include videos, photos, testimonials, letters of endorsement or other documentation to support the nomination.
- Nominations must be submitted via the online form provided, **by 5:00pm Thursday 30 September 2021**. No late submissions will be accepted.

Key dates:

Date	Key Activity
1 September at 9am	Nominations open
1 September – 30 September	Window for nominations
30 September at 5pm	Window for nominations closes
4-7 October	Award panel will meet
8 October	Announcement of 2021 Safer Communities Award winner/s at morning tea and 2021 Guild Ball

Nomination panel and prize:

Nominations will be reviewed and decided by a selected panel from the UWA Safer Communities Working Group which consists of UWA staff, student leaders and affiliates.

The successful applicants will be notified on 8 October 2021.

Winners of the 2021 Award will receive a $100.00 voucher for the University Club.

Contact

If you have any questions about the Safer Communities Award, or the submission form, please contact Emma Hawkins from the Health Promotion Unit on 6488 3173 or emma.hawkins@uwa.edu.au.

Safer Communities Award Nomination Template (must be submitted via online form)

1. Your contact details (person completing this form):
    a) Name
    b) Email
    c) Phone
2. Name of individual, team or teams being nominated for an award
    a) Name of Project (if applicable)
2. Information about nominee
3. Nominating another individual or team
    Contact details for team/individual being nominated
        i. Name
        ii. Phone
        iii. Email
3. Safety and/or wellbeing focus area/s (open answer)
    E.g personal safety, inclusivity, anti-racism, mental health and wellbeing, sexual assault and harassment, disrespectful behavior, risky alcohol or other drug use or others.
4. How does this individual or team contribute to the creation of a safe, inclusive and supportive community? (up to 500wds)
5. Please upload a nomination image to be used in award communications (if you do not have one we will follow up with you/the nominee)
6. Please submit any supporting documentation to strengthen your nomination (up to 3 documents) – optional.
    a) Examples can include testimonials, letters of endorsement, videos, photos, promotional material or anything else that you think will strengthen the application.