

PAST PRESIDENT – ASCENDANT SCHOLAR AWARD

Dear Colleagues:

In my role as the Past President of the Western Academy of Management (WAM), one of my tasks is to organize the selection process for the prestigious Ascendant Scholar Award. Some of the scholars who were recognized early in their careers with this award include Tom Lee, Alan Meyer, Jone Pearce, Gretchen Spreitzer, Roy Suddaby and Anne Tsui.

I am writing to invite nominations for WAM's 2021 Ascendant Scholars. Further information on the criteria and the nomination process are provided below.

What does the award recognize?

The Ascendant Scholar award recognizes early career scholars with no more than seven years since Ph.D. graduation. While excellent teaching and service are appreciated, we are primarily seeking to acknowledge “ascendent” international scholars as evidenced by the quality of their published scholarship in top-tier publications. In addition, we seek scholars with an overall research trajectory that looks promising for future continued productive endeavours.

While preference is given to nominees who are current members of WAM and regular attendees of WAM meetings, our past awardees have clearly not been limited to this group.

How to Nominate Someone for the Ascendant Scholar Award

To nominate a candidate for the Ascendant Scholar Award, please email the following to me at aperedo@uvic.ca with a subject line: **WAM ascendant scholar 2021**

- A nomination letter that clearly summarizes how the nominee meets the award prerequisites.
- The resume of the ascendent scholar nomination and any other relevant information.

Nominations are due no later than Monday, **November 8, 2021**. Candidates must commit to attending the WAM 2022 Conference to be eligible to receive the award.

Review Process

WAM's Executive Committee will review nominations after the submission deadline. Candidates selected to receive the award will be notified in a timely manner.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration of individuals to nominate for this prestigious award. I would be most grateful if you would consider forwarding this call to your colleagues in the Western Academy of Management region, who might help us identify deserving candidates.

Sincerely,

Ana Maria Peredo, Past President
Western Academy of Management, Executive Committee