

Inez Kaiser

Graduate Students of Color Award

Nominations for the Inez Kaiser Graduate Students of Color Awards are accepted by the Public Relations Division until the May 24th deadline. The award honors Inez Kaiser, who passed away in 2016. Inez was the first African-American woman to belong to PRSA and to head a public relations agency with national clients. Inez's firm—Inez Kaiser & Associates—was the oldest African-American, female-owned PR agency. In celebration of her life and her many triumphs, PRD and the Inez Kaiser Committee will continue to provide minority students with the opportunity to advance their academic journeys in her name. The Kaiser Awards are supported by a grant from the PRSA Foundation.

Up to three award recipients will receive a \$1,260 check to cover one year of PRD membership, AEJMC membership, and travel costs to the conference. **To receive the award, winners MUST attend the 2017 Awardees Dinner and PRD Business Meeting during the AEJMC National Conference in August.** In addition, recipients will be assigned a Public Relations Division mentor and take part in recommended sessions at the AEJMC National Conference.

Eligible students of color must be enrolled in graduate study in a public relations program and intending to pursue a career as a public relations educator. The awards seek to encourage these students' academic career aspirations, and in turn, their involvement broadens the diversity within the Public Relations Division, AEJMC and the public relations profession.

Preference will be given to applicants who are:

- Doctoral students
- Graduate students of color
- Students presenting a paper at the AEJMC conference

Nomination process:

- Self nominations by eligible graduate students or nominations by PRD/AEJMC members on behalf of eligible graduate students are accepted via the online application form

Required:

- Completion of online nomination and application form: <http://bit.ly/2pnBbyC>

Optional (but recommended):

- Letter of recommendation from student's faculty advisor
- Current curriculum vitae of student

Deadline:

The deadline for nominations and materials is **May 24, 2017.**

Please contact Kaiser Awards committee chair **Dr. Candace Parrish**

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