**UBSSW Distinguished Master of Social Work**

 **Alumni Award**

**About the Award**

The Distinguished Alumni Award honors outstanding University at Buffalo School of Social Work alumni who have made noteworthy contributions to social work practice and/or research and who, by their positive attitude and drive to make a difference, have added distinction to the social work profession. This award commenced in 1977.

Award recipients are honored during the UBSSW Alumni Event in the fall semester. All nominees will receive a letter of recognition notifying them of the nomination.

***Nominations must be received by March 1***

**Eligibility Requirements**

Recipients of the Distinguished Alumni Award **are not required to be paid members of the UBSSW Alumni Association** but **MUST be a UBSSW MSW Alumnus.** Nominators **are not required** to be UBSSW Alumnus nor paid members of the UBSSW Alumni Association.

**Selection Criteria**

* At least five years of professional experience as a social worker
* Demonstrates consistent, outstanding service to clients, the UBSSW, the community and/or the profession
* Created impactful and lasting contributions to the profession
* Actively involved in outreach and advocacy related to social work

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**Return completed application and supporting documentation to:**

Denise Krause, Clinical Professor

UBSSW

685 Baldy Hall

Buffalo, NY 14260-1050

***Nomination Form***

***UBSSW Distinguished Alumni Award***

I wish to nominate the following individual for the Distinguished Alumni Award:

**Nominee Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ UBSSW Class Year:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Nominee Address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Present Agency:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Position/Title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years in field of SW: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Nominator Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Nominator Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Relationship to Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Are you a UBSSW Alumnus? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ UBSSW Class Year: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Application Requirements:**

* Completed Nomination Form

Please attach a typed, double-spaced **support statement** of **about 300-350 words.** Summarize the Nominee’s accomplishments by using the criteria listed below:

* Describe specifics of Nominee’s outstanding achievements with individuals, families, the community, the profession, and/or the UBSSW.
* Describe specifics where Nominee has impacted and made lasting contributions to the field
* Describe Nominee’s specific involvement in outreach and advocacy.
* How has the Nominee’s consistent outstanding service and/or research improved service delivery to individuals, families, groups, communities or specific agencies? How has this been evidenced in clinical services, clinical standards, research/teaching, policy or public/community programs?
* Why do you think the Nominee should be honored with this award?

**Nominator may submit information on professional awards or other areas of recognition that Nominee has received. If available, up-to-date resumes or curriculum vitae will be accepted. While additional information is helpful, the support statements submitted are essential.**