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*The Interprofessional Division of the
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ARP Merit Awards

If you are interested in nominating yourself or a peer for an ARP Merit Award, please see below for a list of available awards, descriptions, and requirements for each award. To be considered for any award, nominees must be members in good standing. Merit award nominations are open November 1st to February 1st. If you have any questions, please submit them to arpnominations@rheumatology.org.

<u>ARP Merit Award</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Eligibility</u>	<u>Application Requirements</u>
Master Designation Awards: 2	The ARP Master Award is one of the highest honors the College bestows. This award is presented to ARP members who have made outstanding contributions to the field of rheumatology through service to the ACR/ARP and advancements in research, practice, education, and/or advocacy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be 65 years or older by October 1 of the year in which they are nominated • made outstanding contributions to the field of rheumatology through service to the College • advancements in research, practice, education, and/or advocacy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A submitted nomination application • An updated CV that highlights important contributions • 2 letters of recommendation
Lifetime Achievement Awards: 1	The Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to a current or former member of ARP whose career has demonstrated a sustained and lasting contribution to the field of rheumatology and rheumatology health professionals.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates for the Lifetime Achievement Award shall have been members of ARP, formerly the Association of Rheumatology Health Professionals (ARHP), or ACR for at least ten consecutive years. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A submitted nomination application • An updated CV that highlights important contributions • 2 letters of recommendation
Addie Thomas Service Awards: 1	The Addie Thomas Service Award is presented to an ARP member in honor of our Association's first president and recognizes individuals who have been an active volunteer involved with local, regional/state, national, and/or international arthritis-related activities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be an ARP member in good standing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A submitted nomination application • An updated CV that highlights important contributions • 2 letters of recommendation
Ann Kunkel Advocacy Awards: 1	The Ann Kunkel Award is presented to an ARP member who has provided extraordinary service to advocate for patients with arthritis and rheumatic diseases or for health professionals in rheumatology.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be an ARP member in good standing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A submitted nomination application • An updated CV that highlights important contribution • 2 letters of recommendation
Distinguished Scholar	The ARP Distinguished Scholar Award is presented to an ARP member who demonstrates exceptional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be an ARP member in good standing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A submitted nomination application

Awards: 1	achievements in scholarly activities pertinent to arthritis and the rheumatic diseases.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An updated CV that highlights important contributions • 2 letters of recommendation
Distinguished Clinician Awards: 1	The ARP Distinguished Clinician Award is presented to an ARP member who is engaged in clinical practice and demonstrates outstanding clinical expertise in arthritis and the rheumatic diseases.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be an ARP member in good standing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A submitted nomination application • An updated CV that highlights important contributions • 2 letters of recommendation
Distinguished Educator Awards: 1	The Distinguished Educator Award is presented to an ARP member who has demonstrated sustained excellence in the teaching of patients and students/trainees, including health professional students, medical students, residents, graduate students, and/or fellows, with their primary focus being rheumatology related content.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be an ARP member in good standing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A submitted nomination application • An updated CV that highlights important contributions • 2 letters of recommendation
Outstanding Student in Rheumatology Awards: 2	The ARP Outstanding Student in Rheumatology Award seeks to recognize students advancing rheumatology in one or more of the following areas: education, practice, research, and/or advocacy.	Non-physician health professional students who have not yet achieved the highest academic degree in a given field of study.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A submitted nomination application • An updated CV that highlights important contributions • 2 letters of recommendation