**Mark of Distinction/Distinguished Merit**

1. The Mark of Distinction is presented to a recognized club or organization that distinguishes itself as an example organization for others to follow –essentially the Organization of the Year. This award will be given to the student organization that is recognized as the best exhibiting an overall commitment to serving the members within the organization, Missouri State University, and the surrounding Springfield community. This recognized club or organization has made an effort to incorporate the Public Affairs Mission throughout its events and programming. In meeting such a commitment, the organization will have stated a clear goal and, through their nomination letter, will present evidence for meeting such a goal through cohesive action from within the group.

The student organization nominated for this award should demonstrate the following

1. Organization must have been registered with the Office of Student Engagement for the 2022/2023 academic year.
2. The student organization displays a vision and takes initiative to begin tasks related to positive change on campus.
3. Is successful in collaboration with organizations on-campus and the Springfield community
4. Effectively plans and implements ongoing programs and student involvement
5. Demonstrates organizational participation and teamwork
6. Encourages leadership development in all members
7. Accomplished stated goals and outcomes that support the organization's mission
8. Facilitates development of leadership skills for all members.
9. Organization Name
10. How did the organization communicate its plans to develop a vision that develops positive changes within the campus and community utilizing the Public Affairs Mission
11. What are the goals developed by the organization, and how were the goals communicated to members and the community? How were the goals accomplished throughout the year?
12. How did this organization work to develop personal growth for its members?
13. Bio (100 words max to be read if your nominee wins)

***Mark of Distinction/ Distinguished Merit Awards***

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| **Nominee:** |  | **Judge:** |  |

Please rate this submission from 0-5 for each of the following categories. Comments are for the use of the judge but will not be considered for scoring purposes by the Office of Student Engagement. Place a total based on your score on the indicated line below.

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| **Categories** | **Indicators** | **Comments** | **Score** |
| **Organizational Development** | Organization developed a vision for positive change using the campus and community utilizing the Public Affairs Mission |  |  |
|  | Organization has worked to collaborate and co-develop events/programs with other organizations  |  |  |
|  | Organization developed goals for the year and shared it with members and the community |  |  |
|  | Organization helped foster personal growth for its members |  |  |
|  | Organization provided comprehensive programming in various areas:*social, service, leadership development, academic recognition/achievement and excellence in programming* |  |  |
| **Overall** | Overall opinion of nomination based on all material |  |  |

**Total Score: \_\_\_\_\_\_ / 30**