

Student Academic Medal Awards Policy

Purpose To establish the procedures and criteria for making the selection of the award recipient of the Governor General's Bronze Medal and of the Lieutenant Governor's Silver Medal.

Policy The Governor General's Collegiate Bronze Medal is awarded to encourage scholarship across the nation and recognize outstanding students. It is awarded to the student who achieves the highest overall average upon graduation from a minimum two year, full time diploma-level program.

The Government of British Columbia makes available the Lieutenant Governor's Silver Medal to recognize academic excellence and community contribution. The Lieutenant Governor's Silver Medal is awarded to a graduate who has completed a certificate program one year or less in the previous fiscal year and based on the criteria of the medal sponsor.

Applies to The VCC Community

Procedures **Governor General's Bronze Medal:**

- The Registrar's Office will maintain records of student graduates and in September, the Registrar's Office will assemble the Dean's List, containing the names by program of all graduates who achieved a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.8 or higher for courses taken at VCC in all full-time two year completed diploma programs.
- The Registrar's Office will provide this information to the Dean of Student Services. The Dean of Student Services will provide the Dean's List to the deans for information.
- The Awards Committee, at its meeting for the Fall Awards, will decide on the award recipient, based on highest overall average, as per the identified criteria.

- The Dean of Student Services will advise the award recipient and the award will be presented at the fall awards ceremony.

Lieutenant Governor's Silver Medal:

- The Registrar's Office will maintain records of student graduates and at the beginning of the fiscal year, the Registrar's Office will assemble the Dean's List, containing the names by program of all graduates from full-time certificate programs one year or less, who achieved a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.8 or higher for courses taken at VCC in programs completed in the previous fiscal year.
- The Registrar's Office will provide this information to the Dean of Student Services. The Dean of Student Services will provide the Dean's List to the deans for use in the selection process.
- From this list, each Dean will recommend to the Dean of Student Services one nominee from each School/Centre. A "Personal Information Form" will be sent to the nominees by the office of the Dean of Student Services to obtain information on their community involvement and/or contributions to the College.
- The Awards Committee, at its meeting for the Fall Awards, will make the final decision based on the recommendations of the Deans and the completed Personal Information forms.
- The Awards Committee will consider the graduate's achievement in the program and community involvement and/or contributions to the college. No graduate with a cumulative grade point average (G.P.A.) of less than 3.8 will be considered.
- The Lieutenant Governor's Silver Medal will be presented at the Fall Awards Ceremony.

References:

C.1.3 Statements of Completion Policy
 D.2.2 Scholarships and Awards Policy
 D.3.5 Prior Learning Assessment Policy

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2. Approvals:

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