**Outstanding International Graduate Student Award 2018-2019**

International Graduate Student Awards are intended to honor and encourage international graduate students whose academic achievements display a high order of excellence and distinction. The Graduate Student Senate seeks to recognize students of exceptional ability who show promise for substantial future achievement.

To be eligible for the award the applicant must be an international graduate student and in a recognized BGSU academic graduate degree program that is in good standing with Graduate Student Senate. The application must be submitted online via the application form found on the **GSS Canvas page under “Modules”** by **11:59 pm on March 4, 2019**.

**Easy 2-step Application Process:**

* **STEP ONE: Applicant Information Page**
	1. Please include your name, University ID number, BGSU email address, and Department. Next, identify the persons who will be writing your 3 letters of support.
	2. The following letters will be required:
		+ One letter written by a student (either a graduate or undergraduate student); One by the graduate coordinator, the chair of the department, or adviser; One by a second faculty member
* **STEP TWO: Essay Questions (total length: 500-1000 words)**
	1. Describe your involvement with the University and/or the Bowling Green community and how it reflects your individual values and skills.
	2. Bowling Green State University’s five core values are:
		+ Respect for one another
		+ Cooperation
		+ Intellectual and Personal Growth
		+ Creativity and Innovation
		+ Pursuit of Excellence

Choose two core values an describe how you have demonstrated them at BGSU.

Is there anything else that you would like the committee to know in considering you for this award? (Optional)

* Submit your completed application on the form on the **GSS Canvas page under “Modules”** or before **11:59 pm on March 4, 2019**. Late applications will not be considered.

**INSTRUCTIONS for the letters of reference:** Letters of reference must be submitted electronically

* Letters should be sent to gss-shanklin@bgsu.edu on or before March 4, 2019 by 11:59pm.
* Letters should contain the name of the student and the name of the award in the subject line:
	+ Ex. “OIGS Award: Mary Jones”
		- On the first line of the letter, please state your name and indicate if you are a faculty member or student. This information will be deleted before going to judges. The body of the letter should not contain the student’s name.

The applicant will receive an email notification when all of their letters of recommendation have been received. The judges for this award will consist of three faculty members who will review all applications received by the deadline and will select the award recipient. The award recipient will be announced at the annual Shanklin and Graduate Student Senate Award Ceremony on April 18, 2019 where the award of **$500.00** will be presented as well as a certificate of recognition.