#### How to write a Halls Awards Nomination

## Who can I nominate?

You can nominate the people that have made a difference to your year in University accommodation - this can be for any reason big or small!

#### Remember:

- You can only nominate students for these awards
- There are three categories of awards;
  - Residence Life Social Committees (RLSC) Awards;
  - Residence Life Assistants (RLA) Awards;
  - Awards for All Halls Students
- Please note that some awards are for teams and some are for individuals

# Residence Life Social Committee Awards

#### **Best Team (RLSC)**

Awarded to the Social Committee who have worked effectively together to repeatedly host popular, appealing and diverse events for their fellow residents.

#### **Ev**ent of the Year (RLSC)

Awarded to the Social Committee who have produced a particular event of high quality that was well received and required strong skills in event management.

### **Student Leadership Award (RLSC)**

Recognising the Social Committee member who has been a particularly exceptional leader, displaying their ability to direct and guide a team.

#### **Inclusive Community Award (RLSC)**

Awarded to the Social Committee or Committee member who has made the most effort to remove barriers to inclusion within their residence, and to engage with the full diversity of the student body.

#### **Exceptional Member of the Year (RLSC)**

Celebrating the Social Committee member who has been extremely committed and made the biggest impact to their Hall and to their team.

## **Up & Active Award (RLSC)**

Awarded to the Social Committee who have contributed to a culture of activity, wellbeing & sport at their residence.

# Residence Life Assistant Awards

## **Exceptional RLA of the Year (RLA)**

Celebrating the RLA who has carried out their duties to a high standard during the year and made a positive impact to many of the students in their hall.

#### **RLA Team of the Year (RLA)**

Recognising the RLA team that have exceeded expectations and worked tirelessly and professionally to support their students.

#### Rising Star Award (RLA)

Awarding the RLA that has shown great development and gone above and beyond their role during their first year as a Residence Life Assistant.

### **Contribution to Student Wellbeing (RLA)**

Recognising an RLA or RLA team who has shown exceptional commitment to supporting their fellow students' welfare.

# Awards for All Halls Students

#### Halls Hero Award (Any student in Halls)

Recognising the contributions that all students make to life in Halls and celebrating the incredible things flatmates and friends do on a daily basis.

# How do I write a nomination?

To nominate someone, you need to use the Halls Awards 2025 Nomination Form. You can click the link here or on the Residence Life or LUU websites! You will be asked to explain why you are nominating this person. Nominations can vary in length but all you need to do is write about why your nominee deserves an award - what have they done that has made such a big impact on your time in Halls!

The winners of the awards are selected on the following grounds:

- The extent to which their nomination demonstrates the award category description
- The range and depth of examples given
- The impact demonstrated by the nomination

# Examples of previous nominations

Nomination examples below are categorised into "Stronger" and "Weaker" examples, where the "Stronger" examples provide more information and more accurately convey *why* someone deserves the award they've been nominated for.

#### Best Team (RLSC)

#### **Stronger** Nomination

"[Residence] social committee is always planning to come up with new, innovative, and interactive events for its residents. The committee meets weekly to discuss our progress, suggest ideas for new events, and make sure the events run smoothly. It has run events for many major holidays, including Christmas, Lunar New Year, Women's Day etc. The events have been successful and are run smoothly. The committee members are enthusiastic about their work and are always willing to take suggestions from the residents themselves about what they would like. The social media page of the [Residence] social committee is also active, with posters, stories, and post-event pictures from event."

#### **Weaker** Nomination

"Very social and engaging residents in all social activities"

#### **Exceptional Member of the Year (RLSC)**

#### **Stronger** Nomination

"[NAME] has been a dedicated member of the social committee, helping to organise various events throughout the year and giving hours of her time despite her already very busy schedule to improve the lives of everyone in the accommodation. She has approached every challenge with determination and perseverance, and greets everyone she comes across with a smile."

#### **Student Leadership Award (RLSC)**

#### **Stronger** Nomination

"[NAME] is an excellent leader in terms of her ability to lead, plan and direct events. Furthermore, she communicates to the residents, when a resident had an issue with one of the Christmas gift bags the RLSC was issuing she went out of her way to connect with me to see what went wrong. She always listens and adapts to feedback as well."

#### **Exceptional RLA of the Year (RLA)**

#### **Very Strong** Nomination

"[NAME] went above and beyond to make sure that I felt happy and cared for in Charles Morris. Especially in the first semester when I was new to Leeds and didn't really have many people to talk to. When I was having issues with my flatmates, he took the time to hear out my concerns and offered many helpful suggestions. He even followed up the next time he was on duty to make sure I was feeling better and doing okay. Knowing I had someone that I could rely on who genuinely cared enough to follow up with me a week later is what really made all the difference. This is why i think he'd be the perfect person to win this award to recognise the amount of time and effort he puts into doing his job well."

## Rising Star Award (RLA)

#### **Weaker** Nomination

"[NAME] is a very friendly RLA and she works so hard at her job but still manages to make us smile as residents"

#### **Weaker** Nomination

"He is very hard working, successful in many aspects yet humble and friendly. He knows how to get a room's attention in the best way possible, and never makes you feel afraid to ask for help."

#### Halls Hero Award (Anyone in Halls is eligible)

#### **Stronger** Nomination

"Their commitment to helping other people, always there for her friends and peers.

Committed to helping new residents, especially internationals during their stay in

Central Village! Finally for being super generous and kind to all members of staff. She

made this flat a family, all thanks to her."

#### **Stronger** Nomination

"[NAME] has made our flat complete. He's so helpful and friendly and gets everyone involved in flat events. He cooks and bakes for everyone and is a very supportive friend to have around."

#### **Stronger** Nomination

"I am thrilled to nominate [NAME] for the Halls Hero award for his outstanding

contributions to the welfare of the residents at Sentinel Towers. He has been a constant presence in the accommodation, always greeting people with a friendly face, and helping connect and socialize everyone. He has made it a point to ensure that no one feels left out. In addition, [NAME] has been instrumental in arranging potluck dinners with friends while ensuring clean and noise-controlled gatherings. He has also put together safe and small birthday parties for his friends around the accommodation, making them feel special on their special day. He has, in this way, helped me get out of my bubble and gain great friendships."

Weaker Nomination
"They're amazing at everything"