

Department of State Citizen Diplomacy Award

The Alliance for International Exchange is thrilled to serve as a nominating partner for the State Department's 5th annual Citizen Diplomacy Award. Please see below for application guidelines.

Instructions for nominating

Nominations must cite strong, illustrative examples of the nominee's work on public diplomacy directly linked to U.S. foreign policy objectives. Nomination applications will include an executive summary of fifty words or less and a short essay.

All U.S. citizens and U.S. non-governmental organizations, philanthropies, and other private institutions are eligible for nomination. This award is intended to recognize activities and achievements that are not directly funded by federal grants, therefore entities that receive direct funding from the U.S. Department of State or the U.S. Agency for International Development are not eligible for this award.



Please refer to the below selection criteria when nominating an individual, organization, or initiative:

1. Initiatives that advance U.S. foreign policy objectives, including the promotion of exchanges and partnerships.
2. Individuals, or organizations, generating impactful, long-term support for U.S. foreign policy objectives in the public affairs and public diplomacy domains.
3. Individuals, or organizations, working to renew and strengthen important international relationships while serving as frontline advocates for our values.

Take a look back at the [2020](#), [2019](#), [2018](#), and [2017](#) award winners for more information.

All nominations are due to the Alliance by **Monday, August 16**. For a list of 2021 application questions, see [here](#). All questions can be addressed to Evelyn Adams (eadams@alliance-exchange.org).