



**Purpose of the Award Program:** Here at California State University Maritime Academy we strongly believe in recognizing those cadets who go above and beyond what is required of them in their day to day lives. In an effort to formally recognize and honor those cadets there is an award program in place.

**Submitting an Award Recommendation:**

- Any member of the Cadet Corps, Faculty, and Staff can recommend a cadet for an award
- The individual completing the recommendation shall fill out the awards recommendation sheet in full and submit it to the Commandants Office at [ofc\\_com\\_cad@csu.edu](mailto:ofc_com_cad@csu.edu)
- Statute of Limitations: Cadets may be recommended for an award for an event that occurred within that semester. Example: a Cadet cannot be nominated for a Commendation ribbon for something that occurred the last academic year or semester.












**Awards Board:** The purpose of this board is to establish a diverse group of faculty and staff as well as Cadet leaders to review, approve, or edit award recommendations. This board will consist of 6 members including:








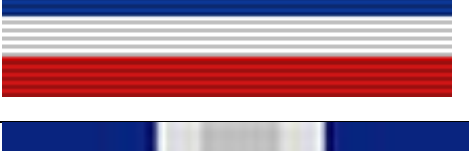

- One faculty member
- One staff member
- One Commandant
- Three Cadet leaders (a minimum of one cadet must be present)

**Timeline:**

- Award recommendations shall be reviewed the last Tuesday of every month
- Any award recommendations submitted the last week of the month shall be reviewed during the next month's board.
- Once the board meets, the Commandants department has the remainder of the week to approve or reach back out to the board. In the event that an award needs the President's approval, an additional week of time will be included.
- Awards will be presented at Formation the first week of the next month (preferably on Wednesday).



AWARD	RIBBON	DESCRIPTION
Meritorious Service Award:		Awarded by the President for exceptional service going above and beyond the call of duty, including acts of bravery, heroism, and courage
Major Service		Awarded by Corps Staff for Major service and impact to the Academy
Academy Commendation		Awarded by Corps Staff for outstanding achievement and service to the academy
Presidents List:		Awarded to cadets with a semester Grade Point Average higher than 3.75
Dean's List:		Awarded to cadets with a Semester Grade Point Average higher than 3.25
Golden Bear Award:		Awarded by Faculty Watch Officers for outstanding cadet watch standing during GOLDEN BEAR Cruise
Outstanding Upper-Class Cadet Award:		Awarded to upperclass Deck and Engine company cadets who contribute the most in training the underclass cadets on GOLDEN BEAR Cruise
Best Shipmate:		Awarded to the cadet voted best shipmate during GOLDEN BEAR Cruise
Good Conduct Award		Awarded to cadets who complete an academic year without being awarded demerits
Cruise Award		Awarded to cadets who successfully complete GOLDEN BEAR Cruise without disciplinary action taken
International Experience Award		Awarded to cadets who successfully complete the International Experience without disciplinary action taken

Cadet of the Month		Awarded by the Corps Staff officers in recognition of a cadet that has gone above and beyond to support their fellow Cadets
Corps Officer		Awarded to cadets serving as an officer in the Corps of Cadets for at least one semester
Associated Students Officer		Awarded to cadets serving as part of Associated Students for at least one semester
Residential Housing Officer		Awarded to cadets serving as Residential Housing Officer in the Corps of Cadets for at least one semester
Orientation Leader		Awarded to cadets who take part and contribute to Orientation Week and training
Varsity Athlete		Awarded to cadets serving on a qualified varsity team
Community Engagement		Awarded to cadets who have served at least voluntary 15 hours of community service in one semester
Color Guard:		Awarded by the Strategic Sealift Officer Program Commander to cadets serving on Color Guard
Corps Support Staff		Awarded to cadets who serve for at least one semester as support staff