

## Student Recognition Awards Scoring Rubric

**Prompt:** USC's Student Commitment asks Trojans to act with integrity in the pursuit of excellence; to embrace diversity, equity, and inclusion; to promote the well-being of ourselves and others; to engage in open communication; and to be accountable for living our Unifying Values and helping to make USC the best place it can be. Select three of USC's six Unifying Values and explain how the student exemplifies those values in support of USC Student Life's vision of empowering students to transform the world. Consider the student's participation in recognized student organizations, student government, recreational sports clubs, community service projects, or other **non-academic contributions** to USC or broader communities.

Value	Criteria	3 Student strongly exemplifies the value as described below	2 Student somewhat exemplifies the value as described below	1 Student minimally exemplifies the value as described below
<p><b>Excellence</b> <i>We bring our best selves.</i></p> <p><i>Definition:</i> We strive to better ourselves as a learning community, our institution and society through assessment, reflection, learning, innovation, research and collaboration.</p>	<p>Student embraces innovation and collaboration in the pursuit of goals that strengthen the university culture and empower their fellow Trojans to be their best selves.</p>			
<p><b>Open Communication</b> <i>We share openly and honestly.</i></p> <p><i>Definition:</i> We actively listen and communicate in a clear, honest, timely and accessible manner and provide opportunities for safe, respectful dialogue and interaction.</p>	<p>Student openly, honestly, and authentically listens and solicits dialogue from others while using their strengths and knowledge to elevate their fellow Trojans.</p>			

<p><b>Integrity</b> <i>We do the right thing.</i></p> <p><i>Definition:</i> Our words, decisions and actions align with and are guided by our values, honesty and ethical principles.</p>	<p>Student is deliberate in their commitment to ethical behavior and sets strong accountability measures for the ethical behavior of their peers.</p>			
<p><b>Well-being</b> <i>We honor the whole person.</i></p> <p><i>Definition:</i> We create a caring culture that fosters our ability to thrive in mind, body, and spirit as essential to the sustainable pursuit of USC's mission.</p>	<p>Student demonstrates strong support of the individual and collective well-being of their fellow Trojans through initiatives, programs, and resources that promote a culture that honors the whole person.</p>			
<p><b>Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion</b> <i>We all belong.</i></p> <p><i>Definition:</i> We challenge our community to engage differences as strengths, embrace the richness of our lived experiences, and leverage diversity, equity and inclusion to drive excellence in support of a welcoming community where all can thrive, and discrimination is not tolerated.</p>	<p>Student creates and supports a sense of belonging and respect among Trojans representing different experiences, cultures, identities, and perspectives that contributes to an overall welcoming university climate.</p>			
<p><b>Accountability</b> <i>We take responsibility.</i></p> <p><i>Definition:</i> At all levels of the university, we set clear expectations and take responsibility for our actions, decisions, outcomes and consequences.</p>	<p>Student creates or supports environments of safety and trust by holding high standards for themselves and their fellow Trojans, and takes responsibility for their outcomes and how they achieve them.</p>			