STUDENT AWARDS POLICY  
Approved: January 13, 1997

An important objective of The ION, spelled out in its charter, is to encourage and advance navigation education. In support of this objective The ION is offering to provide symbolic (plaque, statue, or certificate) and/or monetary awards to educational institutions to recognize students who demonstrate excellence in navigation. Because of the diversity of the field of navigation each institution is invited to propose its own criterion for selection of an awardee and to specify the type of award to be made.

In the past, awards were made annually to several schools and academies. This new policy supersedes all existing ION educational awards. Institutions which have received awards in the past are strongly encouraged to submit applications for new ION student awards.

Eligible Subject Areas:
- Art and Science of Navigation
- Navigation System Design
- Applications of Navigation Technology

Eligible Educational Institutions:
- Two year and four year colleges
- Universities
- Military Academies
- Commercial Academies
- Technical Institutes
- High Schools

The student awards committee consists of a chair, appointed by the ION Council, and a minimum of two other members appointed by the chair. Committee members are not eligible to vote on requests from their home institutions.

The student awards committee will review applications twice a year. Applications received prior to May 1 will be reviewed by May 15. Applications received prior to November 1 will be reviewed by November 15.

The criteria for approval are as follows:
- Award selection criteria are aligned with the goals of The Institute of Navigation
- Award recognizes excellence in, and contributions to the field of navigation
- Award will encourage student participation in navigation
- Award will encourage continued involvement in navigation after graduation
- Award must be awarded to an ION student member (military academies exempt)
- Availability of funds - total budget of $2,500 (April 1-March 31) authorized by the ION Council

Other rules and restrictions:
- Educational institutions must be located within one of the three ION regions
- Applications may be submitted at any time during the year
- Applications are to be submitted by an administrator or faculty member of the educational institution
- Total dollar amount of a single request may not exceed $250
- Award must be awarded to an ION student member (military academies exempt)
- Each educational institution may request up to two awards per year
- Monetary awards are issued by the ION directly to the designated student recipient
STUDENT AWARDS APPLICATION FORM

UNIVERSITY APPLICATION:

Educational Institution (please print): ______________________________________________________________

Faculty or Administrative Representative: ___________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________ Fax: __________________ E-mail: ____________________________________________

Title of Award: ________________________________________________________________________________

Selection criterion: _____________________________________________________________________________

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Please Describe how the award will contribute to encouraging involvement and excellence in navigation at your institution: ___________________________________________________________________________________

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Please list other navigation prizes awarded at your institutions: __________________________________________

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Does your institution have an ION student chapter? __________ If yes, number of student members: __________

Signature of applicant: ____________________________________________ Date: _______________________

Date to be Awarded: ___________________________________________________________________________

(Note that Faculty Representative shall advise Section Chair of award recipient, proposed award citation and ensure that proposed recipient meets all eligibility requirements as outlined in the award policy.)

Please send application to:
ION Student Awards
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