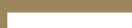




CMI Awards of Excellence 2025

Student of the Year



Nomination Guidance Document

CMI's 2025 STUDENT OF THE YEAR

Nominations for our CMI's 2025 Awards of Excellence are now open. Use this document to bring your submission information together, you can then submit this information using the online nomination form.

AWARD DESCRIPTION

Students are the managers and leaders of tomorrow. Instilled with an understanding of the value of management and leadership, they are on the path to inspiring and engaging the future workforce. The CMI Outstanding Student of the Year award recognises individuals who are already exceptional learners and are destined to make an impact as future leaders.

WHY ENTER THIS AWARD?

Even being shortlisted for this award will mark you out as a potential future leader. Nominees and the ultimate winner will be associated with the best qualities of management and leadership. You'll join a mutually supportive group of great students, apprentices and managers; be celebrated throughout the year across CMI channels; and have the opportunity to share insights and experiences with the wider management community. Nominees can be at any stage of their career to enter the Award as long as they meet the eligibility criteria below.

KEY CRITERIA

Nominees should demonstrate: outstanding academic achievement; strong progression on their programme; commitment to personal and professional development; impactful management and leadership capabilities. And you should be actively participating with CMI and its wider membership community.

ELIGIBILITY

1. To be eligible to submit a nomination for the CMI Outstanding Student of the Year, the nominating institution/organisation must be approved by CMI to deliver a CMI or CMI-accredited qualification or apprenticeship ("a CMI Partner") at any time between 1st May 2024 to 1st May 2025.
2. Nominees must:
 - a. Be, or have been, undertaking a CMI qualification, dual accredited qualification linked to the Management and Leadership Apprenticeship Standards.; and
 - b. Be, or have been, enrolled at a CMI Partner at any time between 1 May 2024 and 1 May 2025.
3. Students may not nominate themselves.
4. A maximum of 5 students, per cohort, per CMI-accredited course can be nominated by a CMI Partner each year.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. A shortlist of nominees will be chosen by the CMI judges from all eligible nominations submitted.
2. The shortlist will be announced in early 2026.
3. The overall winner of the award will be selected by the CMI judges panel from the shortlisted entries.
4. Only one overall winner will be awarded.
1. The winner of the CMI Outstanding Student of the Year will receive a trophy and certificate. These will be presented at an awards ceremony in Spring 2026.
2. CMI reserves the right to engage with the individual, employer or learning institution concerned to jointly promote the CMI Student of the Year Award and the activities of both the individual and CMI.
3. The winner and CMI Partner that submitted the nomination, agrees to work together with CMI to jointly promote the CMI Partner Awards and the activities of both the individual and CMI.

CMI'S MISSION, VALUES, VISION & PROFESSIONAL STANDARD

CMI's mission is to increase the number and standard of professionally qualified managers and leaders. Our values are "professional, progressive, practical and passionate". Our vision is a world of better led and managed organisations. The [CMI Professional Standard](#) encourages "personal effectiveness, interpersonal excellence, organisational performance and being an ethical and inclusive leader". You may wish to reference these in your submission.

ENTRY FORM GUIDANCE AND QUESTIONS

About the nominee

Name

Where the nominee is studying

Course details

Email

Phone number

A bit about the nominee – how they came to be studying their course; background; any specific interests (<250 words)

Nominee statement

Please provide a statement about why the student should be considered for the CMI Outstanding Student of the Year award. The statement should be no longer than 1,000 words and, ideally, should cover the following key points: (<1000 words)

- Evidence of outstanding academic achievements (links, testimonials or related documents can be included as separate files)
- Evidence of progression on the programme (links, testimonials or related documents can be included as separate files)
- How the nominee shows commitment to personal and professional development
- How they're applying what they've learned in their course
- How they're demonstrating management or leadership capabilities, and making a positive impact on their employer, peers or institution
- How the nominee's activity, behaviour, skillsets showing alignment with CMI's mission, vision and values (see notes above)

For more information on the CMI Awards, please do not hesitate to reach out to our dedicated Awards team here.

Chartered Management Institute (CMI)

The Chartered Management Institute (CMI) works with business and education to inspire people to unleash their potential and become skilled, confident and successful managers and leaders.

With a wealth of practical qualifications, events and networking opportunities on offer throughout the UK and Asia-Pacific, CMI helps people boost their career prospects and connect them with other ambitious professionals in any industry and sector.


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