



**INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY
OF BEHAVIOURAL DEVELOPMENT**

2024 AWARDS
Call for Nominations

Deadline Date

February 27th 2024

ISSBD is pleased to announce its biennial call for awards in an effort to recognize the distinguished contributions of Society members.

Below is a description of the five awards to be made at the 2024 Biennial Meeting of ISSBD.

Nominations, as outlined below, should be sent by **February 27, 2024**, to: issbdawards2024@gmail.com

- **Distinguished Scientific Contribution Award**
- **Distinguished Scientific Award for the Applications of Behavioral Development Theory and Research**
- **Distinguished Contributions Award to the International Advancement of Research and Theory in Behavioral Development**
- **Award of Lifetime Membership**
- **Young Scientist Award**



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(1) The **ISSBD Distinguished Scientific Contribution Award** honors a single individual who has made distinguished theoretical or empirical contributions to basic research, student training, and other scholarly endeavors in Behavioral Development.

Evaluations are based on the scientific merit of the individual's work, and the significance of this work for generating new empirical or theoretical areas in the study of Behavioral Development.

(2) The **ISSBD Distinguished Scientific Award for the Applications of Behavioral Development Theory and Research** honors researchers who have made distinguished theoretical or empirical advances in Behavioral Development leading to the understanding or amelioration of significant practical problems. The award is for an individual whose work has contributed not only to the science of Behavioral Development but has also worked to the benefit of the application of science to society.

The individual's contributions may have been made through advocacy, direct service, influencing public policy or education, or through any other routes that enable the science of Behavioral Development to improve the welfare of children and/or adults, and/or families.



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(3) The **ISSBD Award for Distinguished Contributions to the International Advancement of Research and Theory in Behavioral Development** honors distinguished and enduring lifetime contributions to international cooperation and the advancement of knowledge.

(4) The **Award of Lifetime Membership** recognizes services to ISSBD and the field of lifespan developmental science.

The criteria for awarding a Lifetime Membership Award are as follows:

- The recipient has been an ISSBD member for an extended period of time, generally at least 30 years, and will typically be retired.
- Evidence of substantive contributions to ISSBD over time – e.g., membership of committees; presentation of keynote addresses at biennial meetings; attendance at Biennial Meetings; publication of papers in IJBD.
- Evidence of significant contributions to developmental science – recognition within the field through prestigious appointments and/or honors; publication record and citations



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Awards Nomination Process

For these awards (1-4), nominators should include in the letter of nomination a statement addressing the following questions:

- What are the general themes of the nominee's research program?
- What important research findings are attributed to the nominee?
- To what extent have the nominee's theoretical contributions generated research in the field?
- What has been the significant and enduring influence of the nominee's research?
- What influence has the nominee had on students and others in the same field of study? If possible, please identify the nominee's former (and current, if relevant) graduate students and post-doctoral fellows.
- Nominations must include a letter of nomination; a current curriculum vita; up to five representative reprints; and the names, addresses, and e-mail addresses of three scientists familiar with the nominee's research and theoretical writings.



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(5) The **ISSBD Young Scientist Award** recognizes a young scientist who has made a distinguished theoretical contribution to the study of Behavioral Development, has conducted programmatic research of distinction, or has made a distinguished contribution to the dissemination of developmental science. The award is for continued efforts rather than a single outstanding work.

Scientists who are within seven years of completion of the doctoral degree are eligible, and for the 2024 Award, nominees should have received their degrees in 2016 or later.

The Young Scientist Award includes travel money, free registration, and a stipend (\$500.00).

For this award, nominations must include a letter of nomination; a current curriculum vita; up to five representative reprints; and the names, addresses, and e-mail addresses of three scientists familiar with the nominee's research and theoretical writings.



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Eligibility

- Members of the Awards Committee are excluded as possible nominees.
- The President and President-Elect of ISSBD are ineligible for nomination.
- Previous award winners in one category can be nominated for an award in another category.

Awards Committee

Sílvia Koller
Maria Clara de Paula Couto
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Barry Schneider
Linda Theron

You can see the previous Award Winners [here](#).