

WILLIAM & MARY

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2027 Plumeri Award for Athletics Leadership Excellence Selection and Announcement Process

Selection

The Plumeri Award for Athletics Leadership Excellence recognizes and rewards outstanding coaches and staff whose core virtues and accomplishments help to define excellence in intercollegiate athletics at William & Mary.

One awardee will be selected every year and will receive a \$20,000 prize expendable over a three-year period. Athletics applicants may be selected for the award a maximum of two times, and only once in a ten-year period. Applications from previous winners will be assessed primarily on the basis of work since the past award was received.

Application Process

Award nominees will be evaluated on their accomplishments and contributions to student-athlete and/or departmental success in a variety of areas. Evidence of excellence in these areas may include athletic performance, academic achievement, professional recognition, and/or service to the community or organization. The Plumeri Award celebrates passion, vision, and leadership; successful applicants will be engaged citizens of the university community and dedicated stewards of our core values.

A committee will review completed applications and recommend the strongest candidates as finalists to the Provost. Interviews will be conducted with finalists to assist the Provost in making the ultimate selection.

To be considered for this prestigious honor, full-time coaches or Athletics staff must submit a completed application using this [online form](#) by **5:00 PM Friday, October 9, 2026**.

Required Application Elements:

1. Statement (maximum 2 pages, single-spaced in 12-point font) highlighting:
 - Philosophy of, or approach to, fostering excellence in intercollegiate athletics at William & Mary;
 - Contributions and accomplishments related to student-athletes and/or departmental success; and,
 - Evidence of excellence in these areas (e.g., examples of substantial collaboration with students, notable innovation, other forms of recognition, etc.).
2. Current CV (maximum 10 pages)

Announcement & Awards

The recipient of the Plumeri Athletics award will be informed in December, and a public announcement will be made during the Spring 2027 semester. Awards will be formally presented to recipients at a ceremony with the President, Provost and Mr. Joseph Plumeri in late spring.