



RCVS Honours & Awards

2026

RCVS STUDENT COMMUNITY AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Please note that any information supplied in this application will form the basis of a citation for the successful nominees to be read by the President of the RCVS at Royal College Day in July 2026.

The deadline for making a nomination is **5pm on Wednesday 7 January 2026**.

Nominations for the RCVS Student Community Award can be made by anyone excluding RCVS/VN Council members and close relatives (including spouses) of the nominee. They do not need to be an MRCVS or RVN. Nominees for the award can be any student who is enrolled on an RCVS-approved veterinary or veterinary nursing course, or studying for a relevant postgraduate veterinary/veterinary nursing qualification.

This award is also open to self-nomination. If you are self-nominating, please be sure to complete this form in the third person using your own name and preferred pronouns in place of 'I' to avoid bias.

Before completing this form, please make sure you read the information and guidance on our dedicated Honours and Awards page at www.rcvs.org.uk/awards

PART ONE: NOMINEE INFORMATION

This award was first bestowed in 2021, and recognises veterinary or veterinary nursing students who have made a real effort to support their fellow students and the wider veterinary/ veterinary nursing school community. It may also reward someone who has contributed to the wider local community within which the academic environment is based.

A wide range of different types of activity could be recognised by the award, for example, a specific initiative that the student has developed; personal support they have given over a sustained period (please do not include personal information about recipients of support that may be confidential); a demonstrable civic awareness in the way they have conducted themselves in student politics; an outreach programme to the local community; contribution to the governance of the student body etc.

In no more than 250 words, please explain what your nominee has done to support their community - this could be within the vet school/ college, within the wider student body, or within the local community in which the institution is based.

In no more than 250 words, describe the tangible impact that your nominee's efforts have made to the community.

In no more than 250 words, describe how your nominee will make an excellent ambassador for veterinary or veterinary nursing students

Any other relevant information: in no more than 250 words please provide us with any further information you feel may support this application – this could include, for example, anecdotes about your interactions with the individual or information about their hobbies, interests or personal life.

PART TWO: NOMINATOR INFORMATION

NOMINATOR SUMMARY: in no more than 150 words please tell us a bit about yourself including your name, current job title, and your connection with the nominee. Please note: anyone may make a nomination for the RCVS Student Community Award, although current RCVS Council and VN Council members, as well as close relatives, are excluded.

SUPPORTERS' STATEMENTS

Nomination applications require two supporting statements of **no more than 250 words** which may be from an MRCVS, RVN or layperson. At least one of these must be someone who is not a close working colleague of the person nominated, to demonstrate breadth of support. The supporting statements should be entered in the text boxes below and should include: the supporter's name, their job role, relationship to the nominee, and information about why they believe the nominee deserves the Student Community Award.

SUPPORTER STATEMENT ONE

SUPPORTER STATEMENT TWO

Submitting your nomination

Please fill out the web form for the relevant award and submit your nomination form at www.rcvs.org.uk/forms/honours-and-awards-2026/

For any queries, please contact Kieran Thakrar, Executive Assistant to the CEO, on k.thakrar@rcvs.org.uk