

DAN CAYSE LEADERSHIP AWARD

Dan Cayse Leadership Award Nomination Application Form

Please answer the following questions to support your nominee's consideration for the Dan Cayse Leadership Award. Each short answer response should be thoughtful and specific, and together in paragraph format.

Impact on Work-Integrated Learning (WIL)

How has the nominee made a significant and sustained impact on the field of Work-Integrated Learning?

- Describe specific programs, initiatives, or strategies the nominee has led or contributed to.
- What has been the measurable or observable outcome of their work?

Leadership at Any Level

In what ways has the nominee demonstrated outstanding leadership in their role—formally or informally—within their organization or the field of WIL?

- Provide examples of how they have inspired others, led change, or guided strategic efforts.
- If applicable, explain how their leadership transcends job title or rank.

Commitment to Mentorship and Professional Development

How has the nominee supported the professional development of others in the WIL community?

- Share examples of mentorship, training, or long-term guidance provided by the nominee.
- What has been the impact of these efforts on mentees or the broader field?

Innovation and Strategic Partnerships

Describe any innovative practices or strategic partnerships the nominee has developed or advanced to support WIL.

- Include collaborations with employers, institutions, or communities that have strengthened experiential learning opportunities.

Service to the Broader WIL Community

In what ways has the nominee contributed to the wider Work-Integrated Learning community?

- This may include leadership roles in professional organizations, presentations, advocacy efforts, publications, or other contributions.

Embodiment of Dan Cayse's Legacy

How does the nominee embody the leadership qualities and values of Dan Cayse?

- Consider qualities such as humility, vision, mentorship, service, and dedication.
- You may reflect on the nominee's lasting influence and character within the community.

Optional: Additional Comments

Is there anything else you would like the selection committee to know about the nominee?

Upload your award nominee's resume/CV and/or LinkedIn Profile URL

Nomination Committee – Evaluating Rubric

This rubric is designed to evaluate nominees for the Dan Cayse Leadership Award. The award honors individuals who have made a significant and lasting impact in the field of Work-Integrated Learning (WIL), demonstrating leadership, innovation, mentorship, and service to the broader WIL community.

Criteria	Exemplary (5 points)	Proficient (4 points)	Developing (3 points)	Emerging (1–2 points)
Impact on Work-Integrated Learning (WIL)	Demonstrates a significant, measurable, and sustained impact on the field of WIL at institutional, regional, or national levels.	Shows strong contributions to WIL, with clear evidence of positive outcomes.	Has made some contributions to WIL with limited or localized impact.	Minimal or unclear impact on the WIL field.
Leadership at Any Level	Clearly exhibits visionary leadership regardless of formal title; inspires others and advances WIL strategically.	Demonstrates consistent and effective leadership that supports WIL within their role.	Shows initiative and leadership in limited contexts or projects.	Leadership is not clearly demonstrated or is inconsistent.
Commitment to Mentorship & Professional Development	Has actively and consistently mentored emerging professionals and leaders in WIL, leaving a lasting legacy.	Engages in mentorship and development of peers or junior colleagues.	Provides occasional support or informal mentorship.	Little or no evidence of mentorship or professional development activities.
Innovation & Strategic Partnerships	Has led or significantly contributed to innovative programs or partnerships that advanced WIL (e.g., with major employers, institutions).	Involved in successful implementation of new initiatives or partnerships in WIL.	Participated in WIL projects with modest innovation or strategic collaboration.	No significant involvement in innovative WIL initiatives.
Service to the Broader WIL Community	Demonstrates extensive service through leadership roles in professional associations (e.g. CEIA), presentations, publications, or advocacy.	Actively participates in professional organizations or WIL community efforts.	Limited service beyond their institution or organization.	No clear evidence of service to the broader WIL community.
Embodiment of Dan Cayse's Legacy	Fully embodies the values and leadership qualities of Dan Cayse—vision, humility, service, and sustained dedication.	Demonstrates many qualities aligned with Dan Cayse's legacy.	Shows some alignment with the spirit of Dan Cayse's leadership.	Lacks connection to the values exemplified by Dan Cayse.

Total Score (Maximum: 30 points): ____ /30

Evaluator Comments: