





"Carlos Fuentes" Award 2024

XX Symposium of Mexican Students and Studies in the UK

### **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

To participate in the selection process for the "Carlos Fuentes" award for the most outstanding student of the year, which is given to Mexican men and women who are studying at undergraduate or postgraduate level in higher education institutions in the United Kingdom.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Participation is open to all persons who consider themselves to have excelled in the academic, social or cultural fields and who meet the following requirements:

- Being of Mexican nationality.
- Being a current undergraduate or postgraduate student at the time of the call or, if are already alumni, to have completed their studies at the time of the call in a UK higher education institution for a maximum of two years.

Participation is open to all students or recent graduates in any field of knowledge.

Members of the MexSocUK Executive Committee, those who decide to present their candidacy for the "Carlos Fuentes" award and those who have already received one of the awards granted by MexSocUK are not eligible to participate, in order to provide greater competition for other interested students or graduates.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Interested candidates may nominate themselves or may be nominated by a third person, provided that they meet the requirements set out in this call.

To participate, the following documents must be submitted:

• A letter of nomination of up to two pages, in Arial 12 font, explaining the candidate's suitability to compete. It should include at least the following:











- o Link between the candidate's career, the UK and Mexico, either through the research topic or through professional, academic, volunteering or social impact activities.
- o Academic merits of the candidate, either through grades, special mentions or activities with an impact on their student community at their university and/or at other universities.
- o Leadership exercised by the candidate throughout their academic and/or professional career.
- A letter of support for the candidate's application, addressed to the Evaluation Committee of the
  "Carlos Fuentes" award. The letter can be in Spanish or English and be written by professors,
  academic supervisors or managers of the candidate who can give an account of their career.
  Letters of support from first-degree relatives, spouses or anyone with a conflict of interest will
  not be accepted.
- Curriculum vitae (CV) on a maximum of one page.

Both the letters and the CV must be integrated in a single electronic document, in .PDF format, with the title "PostulacionCarlosFuentes Primer apellido persona candidata".

# PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATURES

Nominations for the Carlos Fuentes Award 2024 will be accepted from <u>8 to 15 November 2024 before</u> <u>23:59</u> (London time).

Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered (under no circumstances will there be an extension).

Applications should only be sent by e-mail to the following address: sociedad@mexsoc.org.uk.

## **EVALUATION**

The Evaluation Committee will be made up of the Advisory Board, the MexSocUK Executive Committee and the Embassy of Mexico in the United Kingdom.

The evaluation process will take into account the impact of publications in academic or popular journals, books or book chapters, awards during studies, GPA, involvement in research projects or business start-











ups, social and humanitarian contributions, participation in their Mexican or Latin American society and trajectory after their studies in the UK (for recent graduates) of the candidates.

One winning candidate will be selected for each of the following categories:

- Science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).
- Social sciences and humanities.
- Health sciences, including veterinary sciences.
- · Culture and the arts, including architecture and filmmaking.

If there are fewer than two applications per category, the category will be declared void.

MexSocUK is committed to providing a level playing field for all participating students and graduates, whether or not they are members of our organisation. The names of the laureates will be published on MexSoc's social media sites on **Tuesday 19 November 2024**.

### **AWARD**

The "Carlos Fuentes" award ceremony—award ceremony will take place at the First Mexico-UK Interdisciplinary Congress. This event will take place **22 November 2024** at the Embassy of Mexico in the United Kingdom. Details regarding the exact timing of the event will be announced by the committee at a later date.

### **RESOLUTION OF UNFORESEEN SITUATIONS**

It is the prerogative of the MexSocUK Executive Committee to resolve any issues not foreseen in this call for applications, as well as to deal with any complaints or allegations regarding the application process. Decisions will be final and both MexSocUK and the Evaluation Committee reserve the right to give feedback to candidates.

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