



# United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation 2018 Awards Program

## About

The USGIF Awards Program annually recognizes the exceptional work of the geospatial intelligence tradecraft's brightest minds and innovative organizations. Highlighting the achievements of those within the global GEOINT Community, the awards program also boosts morale, inspires the community, and increases interest in the field.

Previous USGIF award winners represent the multi-faceted GEOINT Community, and their work has embodied USGIF's three pillars: Build the Community; Advance the Tradecraft; Accelerate Innovation.

Individuals and organizations engaged in GEOINT-related fields including nontraditional technologies and capabilities—whether in social media, open source, Big Data, Internet of Things, data analytics, ISR, mobile, virtual and augmented reality, or others—are encouraged to apply.

## Application

To nominate or apply (self-nominations are accepted), select the applicable award category and answer the four questions as indicated.

Applications should be completed and submitted to [awards@usgif.org](mailto:awards@usgif.org) on or before the awards **deadline of January 12**.

## Selection Process

The USGIF Awards Subcommittee is made up of a standing committee and a group of volunteers selected each year. These volunteers are USGIF Individual Members or employees of a USGIF Organizational Member. Volunteers are selected based on their prompt response to a USGIF call for volunteers, as well as their availability to commit to a strict review process timeline. USGIF is not involved in the selection process. Award winners are selected based on the review and evaluation criteria below.

## Review and Evaluation

Nominations are evaluated on the quality of the answers to each of the four application questions. However, there are common threads that truly characterizes each of the past USGIF award recipients, and you are encouraged to keep these points in mind as you are writing your nomination:

- Previous winners have all articulated how the achievement—whether it be a program, technology, research, or support activity—advances and promotes the GEOINT tradecraft and its broader impact on the community.
- Winners have illustrated how the innovative technologies or leading edge research have an actual effect or potential effect (in the case of research nominations) on mission or mission requirements.

## Notifications

The committee will notify winners if they have been selected. Recipients will be presented their awards on the main stage at the general session at the GEOINT 2018 Symposium, April 22-25 at the Tampa Convention Center in Tampa, Florida. The exact date and time of the awards presentation will be provided when winners are notified of selection.

Those nominations that were not chosen as award recipients will be notified by email after the winners are selected.



# United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation 2018 Awards Program Nomination Form **ACADEMIC**

This award for academic achievement recognizes an individual, research project, academic program, or department that has made great strides in geospatial intelligence or a related field. Individuals or programs at the K-12, undergraduate, graduate, and doctorate levels are all encouraged to apply. New breakthroughs in projects or programs, research and development, academic achievement, and published writing are some of the many eligible examples of work to nominate for this award category.

## **Nominee Contact Information**

Full Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## **Your Contact Information**

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## **Opt In**

Check these boxes if you would like your application nominee to be contacted and/or if you would like this nomination to be considered for the 2019 Awards Program, if not selected as a recipient this year.

Please check this box if you would like your nominee to be informed of this nomination

Please check this box if you would like your nomination to be considered for the 2019 Awards Program

**Please answer each question in 250 words or less. Responses of more than 250 words will not be considered when reviewing the application.**

1. Explain the reason the individual or team is being nominated for the award.

2. Describe the most significant achievement in the creation or use of geospatial intelligence information or systems.

3. Describe the biggest challenge that the individual helped his or her organization overcome through the application of the tradecraft.

4. What effect did the result of the project have on promoting the geospatial tradecraft or national security objectives?

### **Deadline**

All applications are due No Later Than 5 p.m. EST on Friday, January 12.

### **Submission Instructions**

Once you have completed this form, please save it to your computer in a location that you can easily find. Having saved the document, please send the application form to [awards@usgif.org](mailto:awards@usgif.org). Before sending your nomination e-mail, please remember to attach the nomination form and all supporting documentation.

If you wish to submit this form through standard mail, please print a copy of this completed form along with all supporting documentation and mail it to:

**United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation**  
**ATTN: USGIF Awards Committee**  
**2325 Dulles Corner Blvd. STE 450**  
**Herndon, VA 20171**

### **Note**

Do not send originals. All materials submitted to USGIF for consideration will be held by the awards committee and will not be returned to nominees or nominators.

The submission of this application is an acknowledgement that grants USGIF permission to use your name and or likeness in any and all marketing materials.