



## **MAROON CLUB ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

### **General Criteria**

The Hall of Fame shall be open to individuals who have made outstanding contributions in one of the following areas:

- A superior competitor
- A teacher-coach with a distinguished record
- A person who has made a long-term, exemplary contribution to Lafayette Athletics

### **Specific Criteria**

- The candidate must be of good character and reputation
- A former student-athlete shall be first eligible for nomination ten full academic years after completing his / her athletic eligibility at the College.
- Nominee must have had significant impact in his / her sport; defined as being National Player of the Year, NCAA Champion – Individual sport, All-American, All-Region, Conference Player of the Year, All-Conference, conference record holder, conference champion, school record holder, national statistical champion, or letter in at least two different varsity sports.
- Community involvement and citizenship
- Individuals must have represented in a positive fashion both as an undergraduate and as an alumnus
- If a teacher-coach or administrator, the candidate must have held that position for at least five academic years
- Coaches and administrators are eligible for admission to the Hall of Fame five years after leaving employment at Lafayette College. (Deceased candidates become eligible immediately.)
- Additional consideration will be given for continued contributions to society through community activities, performance in chosen fields which bring credit and distinction to the College
- Have made an excellent record in some branch or branches of intercollegiate sport while in attendance at, and / or subsequent to, attending Lafayette College
- Nominees from the previous year will be automatically considered by the committee
- Nomination forms will be made available through the Office of Athletic Communications

## **Outstanding Contributors**

Individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the athletic program shall be eligible to be elected to the Hall of Fame. These individuals need not be graduates nor do they need to have been athletes.

- A nomination must be submitted on their behalf detailing the special nature of their contributions.
- Have conducted themselves in a fashion such as to bring credit for a minimum of five years.
- Respected alumni who bring favor to their alma mater and to Lafayette Athletics by achieving success in their area, as alumni are eligible for induction consideration five years after their graduation.
- Special admittance will be made only in recognition of truly exceptional contributions and service to the athletic program.

## **Nomination Submittal**

Nominations must contain the information that follows. An online nomination form is available for convenience.

- Name of Nominee
- Class
- Nominee's Sport(s)
- Nominee's Address
- List special honors, facts, figures, anecdotes, or other material that may be of assistance to the Selection committee.
- Name of person submitting nomination, including email address and contact number
- Nominations may be submitted to the Maroon Club by any interested party.
- A nomination shall be accompanied by supplying evidence of the nominee's eligibility for election and shall specifically describe how the nominee meets the eligibility criteria.
- All eligible nominations and the respective nominees' credentials shall be communicated in writing to the committee membership, along with the notice of the selection meeting, as far in advance of that meeting as possible.
- Any previous nominees that were not selected will automatically be considered for three years, after which they must be re-nominated if not selected.
- No restrictions on who may submit a nomination, but an individual must be nominated by someone other than himself or herself, and all nominations must be signed.

## **The Hall of Fame Committee**

The Hall of Fame Committee shall be comprised of two at-large members of the Maroon Club Executive Committee (one of whom will be appointed chairperson of the Committee for two years by the President of the Maroon Club), a Vice-Chair, the Executive Director of the Maroon Club, the Director of Athletics, and up to eleven voting members. Members of the Hall of Fame Committee shall serve a four-year term. At the completion of the first term, members may be re-nominated for a second term, which shall be limited to two years. The Hall of Fame Committee will report its recommendations each year at the spring meeting for approval by the Executive Committee. These recommendations will be made to the Executive Committee by the chairperson of the Hall of Fame Committee. Recommendations may be received by the Hall of Fame Committee in writing from any active member.

## **Selection**

The committee shall meet to select nominees for Hall of Fame members during January of each academic year.

Voting will be by secret written ballot with selection based upon a two-thirds majority of present committee members. The committee shall report its recommendations each year at the spring meeting of the Maroon Club Executive Committee for approval. The Executive Committee will forward recommendations to the board committee on Student Life for final approval.

## **Induction Ceremony**

- A dinner will be held to honor the inductees.
- Former teammates of the inductees will be informed of the induction ceremonies and invited to be present.

## **Number of Inductees**

- No more than four living inductees will be honored annually
- Posthumous inductees will be considered as well

## **TEAMS OF FAME**

The Hall of Fame has the option to give recognition to a team, as a group, for their accomplishments in a particular season:

This is to honor the team and may not qualify for individual induction.

Must wait at least ten years after season of competition before consideration will be given.

A team that has

- A varsity-level team that wins a NCAA Championship, or competed in an NCAA sponsored championship event shall be eligible for nomination
- Has completed an undefeated season
- Has otherwise brought recognition and honor to the College by its significant achievement may be recognized as a Team of Fame
- A team may be inducted into the College “Hall of Fame” under the existing criteria for ten years elapsed following a national title, an undefeated season, conference championship, regional or district championship, as noted in the national organization of the NCAA. The team concept would supersede any individual while at the same time does not prohibit an individual from being inducted into the “Hall of Fame” by his or her own right.

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