UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT AWARD

The purpose of this award: to recognize the contribution of an outstanding undergraduate nursing student who has conducted or participated in nursing research or an evidence-based project that has the potential to advance the science and/or practice of Health Systems, Policy & Informatics (HSPI)

Criteria for the Award

- Enrolled in or recently graduated (within the past year) from an undergraduate nursing program.
- Evidence of scholarly activity or research participation in projects that advance the science and/or practice of HSPI.

Examples of Eligible Projects

Projects may include (but are not limited to):

- An honors thesis or research course project.
- Participation in a faculty mentor's research project, such as presenting a poster at the school or at a conference.
- Assisting with data collection and/or analysis.
- Contributing to manuscript writing or dissemination efforts.

Eligibility Requirements

- The nominee must be an undergraduate student (or a recent graduate as defined above) in good standing in an accredited nursing program.
- The nominee must be a student member of MNRS and of the HSPI Research Interest and Implementation Group.

Submission Requirements

- A faculty letter of support or a nomination letter (1 page, single spaced) that addresses the significance of the student nominee's potential to advance health systems, policy, and/or informatics science and/or practice.
- Nominee's current resume or CV.
- Please ensure that all submitted materials are clearly identified with the nominee's name in the file name.
- Individuals may self-nominate. Self-nominations should include item #1 above and a statement from a peer colleague that addresses their work.

Notification

Applicants will be notified of the RIIG Awards Committee decisions in February 2026. RIIG awards will be presented at the RIIG meeting during the Annual Research Conference. Each awardee is strongly encouraged to be present to receive the award.