

# NICEC invites you to submit an entry for the Bill Law Award 2024



NICEC are pleased to announce the launch of the **Bill Law Memorial Student Award 2024**.

The Award is a legacy and tribute to the work of Dr Bill Law, Founding Fellow of NICEC, who died in April 2017. His work was recognised internationally and was significant in its impact on the way that career development is conceptualized and practiced. The Award celebrates emerging innovation within the career development sector and importantly, the relationship between research, theory and practice.

As your students will be submitting their research projects this Autumn, now is the time to identify those students' work who might be eligible to support for publication and/or recognition in the field.

You might also know of students who are setting off on their research project this year, who could also think ahead about how their projects could reach a wider audience.

## Why encourage your students to submit their research to the Award?

- As part of your student's own career development
- To enable early career researchers to disseminate their work more widely
- Students can benefit from the support of experienced career researchers
- To contribute to your department's research profile, and
- To take an active role in thought leadership and knowledge transfer

## What are the criteria for the Award?

1. Consideration of a contemporary theme within the career development field.
2. Demonstrates original empirical research or innovative practice.
3. Discussion of relevant literature.
4. Evidence of critical evaluation and analysis.
5. Commentary on any implications for professional practice, policy or research.

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## What do I need to do next?

Identify any strong projects whilst you are marking this term.

Alert your students in your feedback about the opportunity to enter for the Award.

Students will need to submit their abstract by **5 February 2024**, and those, which are selected will be asked to submit their paper by **7 May 2024**.

The virtual awards ceremony will take place on **24 June 2024**.

The prize will be a £50 book token, free attendance at NICEC seminars and network meetings for a year, and public recognition via the NICEC website. The winner will be supported to publish in the NICEC Journal subject to editorial discretion.

Please have a look at last year's winning entry, by Helen Root, <https://www.nicecjournal.co.uk/index.php/nc/article/view/459> published in the NICEC journal:

If you would like to talk to us about the award, please contact Julia Yates at [julia.yates.1@city.ac.uk](mailto:julia.yates.1@city.ac.uk)

## How to submit an abstract or paper

The submission should include the cover sheet which can be found on the NICEC website.

More information about the award can be found on the NICEC website.

The Award is free to enter. For submitting an abstract please use [billlawaward@nicec.org](mailto:billlawaward@nicec.org)