



Charles C. Irby Distinguished Service Award

The Charles C. Irby Distinguished Service Award recognizes an individual who has achieved distinction through service to the community, has demonstrated strong leadership qualities, and has promoted the goals and ideals of NAES.

Charles C. Irby was a cultural geographer who was a pioneer in the development of Ethnic Studies and Gender Studies in the United States. Irby earned a Master of Arts degree in Geography from the University of California at Davis in 1968 and a Doctor of Philosophy degree from Simon Fraser University, British Columbia in 1978. Irby served in the U.S. Air Force from 1957 until 1960. He was also a founding member of the National Association for Interdisciplinary Ethnic Studies (which later became the National Association for Ethnic Studies), and served as president (1976-1978) and editor of NAES publications.

For more information about Charles C. Irby and his life, please see the Irby Collection at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Nomination and Submission Process

1. A letter of nomination from a NAES member detailing the nominee's service to the community; acquired distinction in their professional life; demonstrated commitment to the goals and mission of NAES; and strong leadership qualities;
2. A letter of support from a community representative;

All nominations and supporting materials must be received by **FEBRUARY 15, 2018**.

Submit via the NAES Awards website: [NAES Awards Upload site](#)

Awards Luncheon

This award is bestowed at the NAES Awards Luncheon during the NAES conference. Recipients of the award will receive **a complimentary ticket to the luncheon and a recognition plaque.**

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