2025 AAUT program

AUSTRALIAN AWARDS FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING
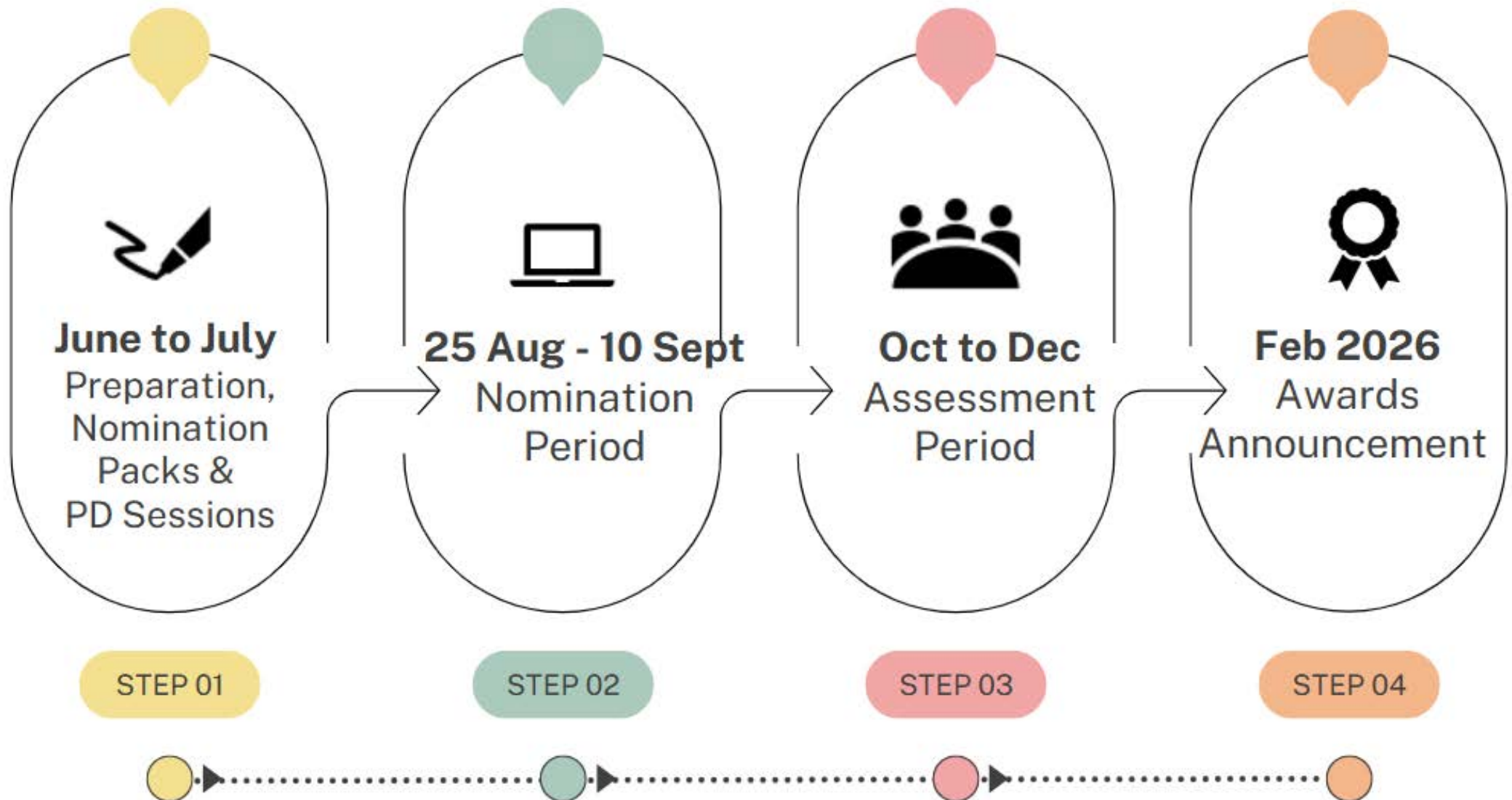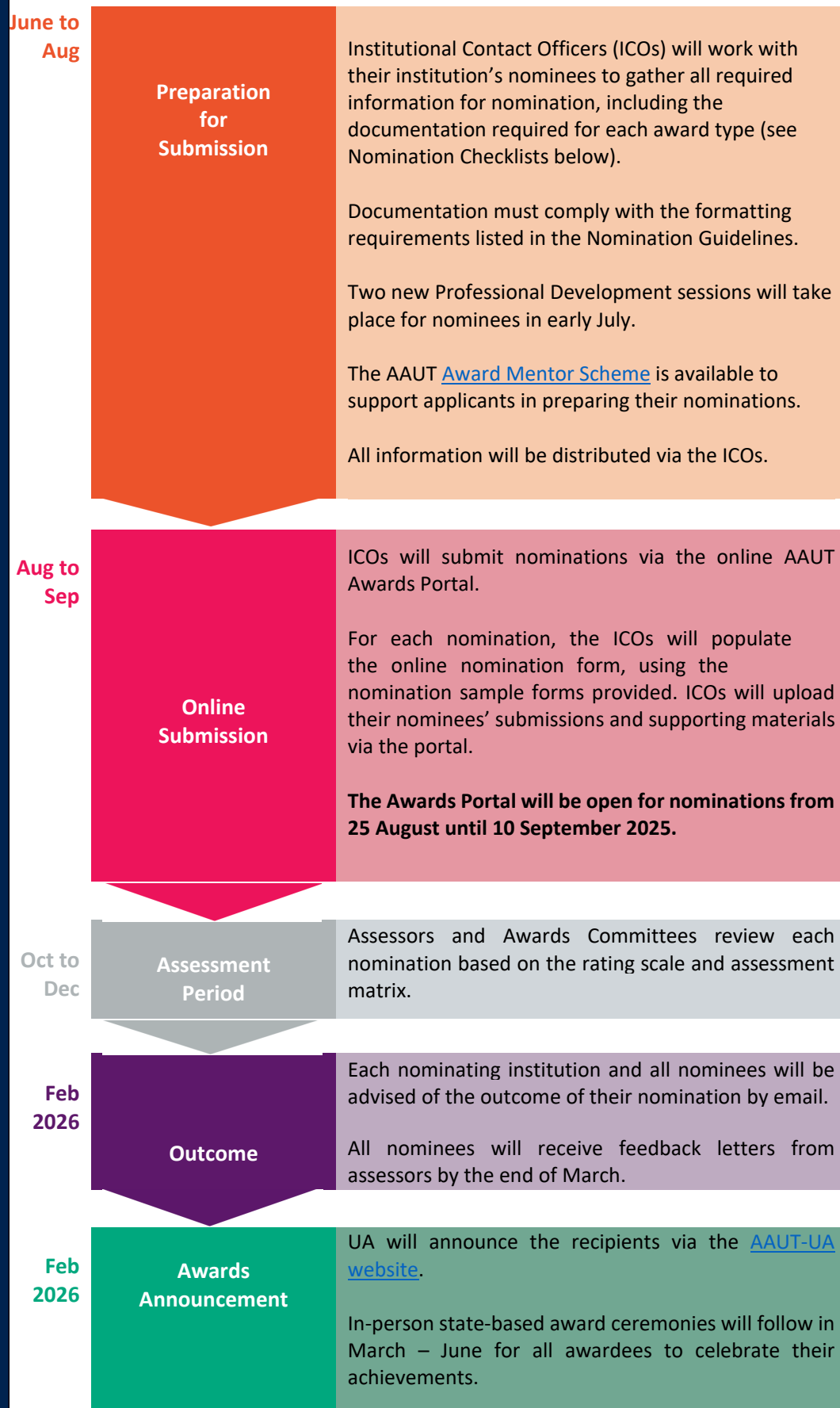
Award Types	CITATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO STUDENT LEARNING	AWARDS FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE	AWARDS FOR PROGRAM THAT ENHANCE LEARNING
No. of Awards	Up to 100	Up to 9	Up to 4
Max submission per institution	6	3	2
Prizemoney	NIL	NIL	NIL
Categories Choose ONE	**Discipline Categories** • Natural and Physical Science, Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies • Engineering, Information Technology, Architecture and Building • Health • Education • Business, Management and Commerce • Society and Culture • Creative Arts • Multi-disciplinary **Nomination Categories** • Early Career • Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education • Sessional Staff	**Discipline Categories** • Natural and Physical Science, Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies • Engineering, Information Technology, Architecture and Building • Health • Education • Business, Management and Commerce • Society and Culture • Creative Arts • Multi-disciplinary **Nomination Categories** • Early Career • Neville Bonner Award for Indigenous Education	• Student experience that supports diversity and inclusive practices • Collaborative educational partnerships in learning and teaching • Curriculum transformation and innovative pedagogy • Work Integrated Learning (WIL) programs that value and enhance student employability
Subcategories	**Address ONE** 1. Approaches to teaching and/or the support of learning that influence, motivate and inspire students to learn. 2. Development of curricula, resources or services that reflect a command of the field. 3. Effective assessment practices that bring about improvements in student learning, focus on academic integrity. 4. Innovation or leadership that has influenced and enhanced learning and teaching and/or the student experience.	**Address all four** 1. Approaches to teaching and/or the support of learning that influence, motivate and inspire students to learn. 2. Development of curricula, resources or services that reflect a command of the field. 3. Effective assessment practices that bring about improvements in student learning, focus on academic integrity. 4. Innovation or leadership that has influenced and enhanced learning and teaching and/or the student experience.	NIL
Assessment Criteria	Nominees are required to make a case that they have: a. Positively impacted on student learning, student engagement or the overall student experience for a period of no less than three years (two years for early career), not including time taken for development or trial of any activity. b. Gained recognition from colleagues, the institution, and/or the broader community. c. Shown creativity, imagination or innovation, irrespective of whether the approach involves traditional learning environments or technology-based developments. d. Drawn on the scholarly literature on teaching and learning to inform the development of initiatives, programs and/or practice.		

2025 AAUT Nomination key dates

AUSTRALIAN AWARDS FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING

June to July
Preparation, Nomination Packs & PD Sessions

STEP 01

25 Aug - 10 Sept
Nomination Period

STEP 02

Oct to Dec
Assessment Period

STEP 03

Feb 2026
Awards Announcement

STEP 04

2025 AAUT NOMINATION PROCESS

June to Aug

Preparation for Submission

Institutional Contact Officers (ICOs) will work with their institution's nominees to gather all required information for nomination, including the documentation required for each award type (see Nomination Checklists below).

Documentation must comply with the formatting requirements listed in the Nomination Guidelines.

Two new Professional Development sessions will take place for nominees in early July.

The AAUT Award Mentor Scheme is available to support applicants in preparing their nominations.

All information will be distributed via the ICOs.

Aug to Sep

Online Submission

ICOs will submit nominations via the online AAUT Awards Portal.

For each nomination, the ICOs will populate the online nomination form, using the nomination sample forms provided. ICOs will upload their nominees' submissions and supporting materials via the portal.

The Awards Portal will be open for nominations from 25 August until 10 September 2025.

Oct to Dec

Assessment Period

Assessors and Awards Committees review each nomination based on the rating scale and assessment matrix.

Feb 2026

Outcome

Each nominating institution and all nominees will be advised of the outcome of their nomination by email.

All nominees will receive feedback letters from assessors by the end of March.

Feb 2026

Awards Announcement

UA will announce the recipients via the AAUT-UA website.

In-person state-based award ceremonies will follow in March – June for all awardees to celebrate their achievements.

2025 Citation Nomination Checklist

AUSTRALIAN AWARDS FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Citation Nomination Form

Completed in online Awards Portal
All boxes must be ticked, including endorsement from:

- Head of School/Faculty
- DVCA or their nominated delegate
- ICO

2. Claims against Assessment Criteria

(max 4 A4 pages)

- Proposed Citation (up to 25 words)
- Contribution overview and context
- Statement addressing the assessment criteria
- Reference list

3. Team Statement of Contribution

- For team nomination only
- Explains role and percentage of contribution

4. Two letters of reference

- One A4 page for each reference Include acceptance of Privacy Notice On institutional letterhead
- Signed by referee

5. Digital Photograph

Upload in online Awards Portal

2025 Program Award Nomination Checklist

![Australian Awards for University Teaching logo]

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Program Award Nomination Form
Completed in online Awards Portal
All boxes must be ticked including endorsement from:

- Head of School/Faculty
- DVCA or their nominated delegate
- ICO

2. Claims Against Assessment Criteria *(max 10 A4 pages)*
- Synopsis (up to 200 words)
- Program overview and context
- Statement addressing the assessment criteria
- Reference list

3. Team Statement of Contribution
- Explains role and percentage of contribution

4. Two Letters of Reference
- One A4 page for each reference
- Include acceptance of Privacy Notice
- On institutional letterhead
- Signed by referee

5. Supporting Materials
Submit up to two of the following:
- A three-minute video link,
- Website URL and/or
- 10 pages PDF (inclusive of URL link)

6. Digital Photograph

Upload in online Awards Portal

AUSTRALIAN AWARDS
FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHING

2025 Teaching Award Nomination Checklist

DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Teaching Award Nomination Form
Completed in online Awards Portal
All boxes must be ticked, including endorsement from:
- Head of School/Faculty
- DVCA or their nominated delegate
- ICO

2. Claims Against Assessment Criteria

(max 8 A4 pages)
- Synopsis (up to 200 words)
- Teaching overview and context
- Statement addressing the assessment criteria
- Reference list

3. Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Individual = max 3 pages (A4)
- Team = team leader max 3 pages(A4) and team members max 1 page (A4) each

4. Team Statement of Contribution
- For team nomination only
- Explains role and percentage of contribution

5. Two Letters of Reference
- One A4 page for each reference
- Include acceptance of Privacy Notice
- On institutional letterhead
- Signed by referee

6. Supporting Materials

- Upload a video file (2-3 minute) - mandatory

And <u>one</u> of the following (optional):
- Website URL and/or
- 10 pages PDF (inclusive of URL link)

7. Digital Photograph

Upload in online Awards Portal

Contact details

AAUT AWARDS TEAM

aaut@rmit.edu.au

03 9925 3815/1834
AAUT-UA website