The UQ Gatton Gold Medal (formerly named “Council Gold Medal”) was instituted in 1984, and since that time UQ Gatton graduates have been honoured by the award of the Medal on an annual basis.

The nomination and selection of a recipient of the UQ Gatton Gold Medal is undertaken in accordance with the following guidelines:

1. Purpose

   The purpose of awarding the UQ Gatton Gold Medal is to highlight and promote UQ Gatton as an educational institution by celebrating and publicising examples of its success.

   This will be achieved annually by recognising and highlighting the achievements of a prominent graduate of UQ Gatton, or any of its antecedent institutions, namely UQ Gatton College, Queensland Agricultural College or Queensland Agricultural High School and College (all now referred to in the guidelines as “UQ Gatton”) and awarding that graduate a UQ Gatton Gold Medal.

2. Criteria

   2.1 The successful nominee will have achieved outstanding success in any field of endeavour which is the result of, or is in any way referable to, his/her education at UQ Gatton.

   2.2 State, national or international prominence or pre-eminence in a profession or in an educational, industrial, business, government, political, community, sporting or other activity would be looked for by the selection committee.

   2.3 Preferably, the nominee, in addition to his/her particular field of excellence, will have made a contribution to the wider community and/or to UQ Gatton or the UQ Gatton Past Students Association.

   2.4 The nominee must not be a current employee of The University of Queensland.

   2.5 Nominees must be nominated by graduates who have studied at UQ Gatton, a member of the University Senate, a current member of staff or a current student (with the endorsement of a member of one of the previous categories).

   2.6 The Gold Medal will not be awarded posthumously.

3. Submission

   3.1 Nominations will be formally invited in June each year.

   3.2 Such invitation will be made by advertisement within the University and by public notice.

   3.3 Nominations must be submitted in writing each year (date to be advertised) to the UQ Gatton Campus Director.
3.4 Nominations should be on the prescribed nomination form. In particular, a nomination should include details of exceptional achievements or contributions which warrant consideration for the award of the UQ Gatton Gold Medal. Nominations are to be no longer than 10 pages, including the nomination form.

3.5 Nominations should be returned to:

Ms Janelle Zahmel  
Campus Director  
Office of the Director Gatton Campus  
The University of Queensland Gatton Campus  
GATTON QLD 4343  
Email: gatton.director@uq.edu.au  
Phone: (07) 5460 1201  
Fax: (07) 5460 1109

3.6 Nominations received will be considered in the year of nomination. Unsuccessful nominees may be nominated again in future years.

3.7 The Gold Medal will only be awarded to a person once.

3.8 Letters from the proposer stating why the nominee deserves the award will be highly regarded.

4. Selection

4.1 Nominations will be assessed by the University’s Honorary Awards Committee, which may appoint a sub-committee for this purpose.

4.2 The Group may make such enquiries, in confidence, as it deems necessary, in respect of potential recipients.

4.3 A recommendation for the award will be made to the Vice-Chancellor for presentation to the University Senate for approval.

4.4 The award will be presented at an appropriate ceremony, normally a UQ Gatton Graduation Ceremony, following University Senate approval.