Tom Lovett Outstanding Student

The Company Outstanding Achievement (COA) Awards are presented by the Records and Information Management Practitioners Alliance (RIMPA) Global.

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Description automatically generated with medium confidenceThe Tom Lovett Outstanding Student Award is named in acknowledgement of Tom Lovett, a founding father of RIMPA who in March 1969 saw a gap that needed filling for an industry that was being ignored. Tom spoke to university professors and business leaders to gain support for the creation of the association and the development of industry specific courses. Tom was elected the foundation President of RMAA and held office until 1971, where he then continued in the industry teaching the RM course he developed until 1978.

The Outstanding Student Award is presented by RIMPA to recognise a student who has achieved excellence in their educational studies and this learning has impacted them and the RIMPA community and/or industry.

Nominations for the COA award *2025 Tom Lovett Outstanding Student* open on 5th May 2025, closing 1st August 2025. Nominations can be self-nominated or by a third party.

The field of study is not required to be a records and information management centric course but **must** incorporate subjects in records and information management.

Eligibility

Potential nominees must attain specific eligibility requirements before progressing through to the application process:

1. Nominee must be a RIMPA Global member
2. Detail learning provider:
   1. An accredited RTO
   2. RIMPA (training workshops: completion of a minimum of 12 subjects in a period of 18 months).
3. Study has been completed between 01/07/24-30/04/25 detail and upload **evidence**:
   1. Course name
   2. Modules/subjects completed

Application

Nominee to answer two questions, which are scored on a merit-based assessment

Thinking about a specific subject that resonated or inspired you within your study, in a maximum of 800 words tell us:

* 1. Why and how do you think this has impacted you?
  2. How could this translate to the industry?

**Assessment:** Based on response provided, assess against:

* Has fundamentally and positively impacted the student
* Able to demonstrate how the chosen subject could positively impact the industry

**Scoring Criteria:** based on inclusions - each listed item given a score:

* 1-3 = Development Required: limited detail provided, and limited impact shown
* 4-6 = Satisfactory: evidence of some impact to a satisfactory standard
* 7-9 = Strong: demonstrated to a high standard and positive impact and awareness

How have you used your learning to engage in the records and information management industry? (maximum 800 words)

**Assessment:** Based on response provided, assess against:

* Student has engaged in the R&IM industry
* Student has become engaged in the RIMPA community

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