

The Hennell Award

(2024/ 25)

The Hennell Award has been offered by the Association for Dementia Studies (ADS) for many years. It was launched by June Hennell who, alongside her husband Brian, contributed significantly to the educational offering of the ADS. Brian lived with dementia and June was his family carer.

Any student of the Association for Dementia Studies is eligible to apply for the Hennell Award, if they have completed a course with the ADS.

The purpose of the award is to highlight examples of good practice, where students have taken learning from their studies and applied it in practice (for example, in meeting centres, care homes, and hospitals, but in all sorts of other contexts too) for the benefit of people living with dementia, and /or family members.

There is an application form that can be found on the ADS website. This leads applicants through the requirements of the Award, but please read this document carefully as it contains essential information. All entries must be completed on this application form. Additional information can be offered in support, please see page 2 , below.

Feedback from the judges, who have overseen previous competitions, has highlighted the following as adding to the strength of applications:

- Clarity about how learning from studying on the course has been put into practice.
- A clear ambition/ aim for the work, with dates illustrating when things were initiated and when key achievements were completed.
- Evidence of impact, for example short, anonymised case studies, and testimonies from others, demonstrating what has been achieved.
- Examples of practice that demonstrates innovation.
- Examples of practice that indicate how initiatives could be replicated by others, so that learning can be shared.

Opportunities presented by completing an application include:

- Personal reflection - a chance to reflect and record your progress.
- Promote your innovative achievements and inspire others.
- Collecting valuable evidence to support your Continuous Professional Development.
- Creating a tangible demonstration of what you have achieved, which could support your career progression and future job applications.

- Raising your professional profile in your chosen field.

Closing dates tend to be in July every year.

Please note:

Information about individuals must be anonymised and consent gained for any photographs.

Supporting information should be scanned or photographed and attached to a covering email with your application form.

Information received after the closing date will not be considered.

The judges' decision is final and communication about the outcome will not be entered into.

If you would like further information please contact dementia@worc.ac.uk

Thank you.