

The 36th annual Celebrating Excellence in Service and Employee of the Year award winners were announced at a ceremony held April 30, 2025.

*** Two new awards announced this year were:**

Bobcat Legacy Award:

This award is presented to an employee of Montana State University who has served with distinction and who is tirelessly committed to MSU and its success.

- **President Waded Cruzado**

Presidential Seal of Excellence Award:

This award is presented to recognize retired employees of MSU or one of its affiliate campuses, who have served with distinction for a minimum of 20 years and remain committed to MSU through demonstrated service volunteerism, advocacy or philanthropy.

- **Rolf and Jaynee Groseth**

The other 2025 award recipients were:

Bobcat Lifetime Achievement Award

- **Patrice (Patty) Lucas**, Mark & Robyn Jones College of Nursing

Competence:

- **Steve Burk**, University Information Technology
- **Tony Campeau**, Registrar's Office

Courtesy:

- **Ryan Crocker**, Procurement & Contract Services
- **Mackenzie Spence**, TRIO Student Support Services

Reliability:

- **Chris Hayden**, Event Services
- **Marjean Penny**, University Information Technology

Safety:

- **Emily Williams**, College of Agriculture
- **Dave Gettel**, College of Agriculture / Dean's Office

Four staff awards were also presented to:

- **President's Award for Championing Campus Values**
 - **Korrin Fagenstrom**, University Student Housing
- **Excellence in Outreach**
 - **Thomas Luhrsen**, University Police
- **Excellence in Innovative Service**
 - **Amber King**, Student Success / Dean of Students
- **Academic Advising**
 - **Austyn Holliday**, Advising Commons / Education, Health & Human Development

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