PhD Project calls for Hall of Fame nominees

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The PhD Project, a program aimed at increasing diversity in America's business schools, has opened nominations for inductees into the PhD Project Hall of Fame, which was established in 2011 to recognize people with commitment to the project and its mission.

The Project was established in 1994 and has since increased the number of African American, Hispanic American and Native American professors from 294 to 1,116.

Last year's inaugural inductees were honored at the Project’s 2011 conference and starting this year, a new class of inductees will be selected annually. Project supporters and the public can submit nominations each year.

"We look forward to reviewing this year's nominees for The PhD Project's Hall of Fame," said Bernard J. Milano, president of The PhD Project and of the KPMG Foundation, a co-founder and lead funder of the Project, in a statement. "We hope it inspires and encourages not only our participants, but others who may want to make a difference in academia and the business world."

Inductees are chosen based on evaluating the nominee’s commitment to the mission of the Project based on their involvement with faculty members, participation in task forces and planning committees, and promoting awareness of the Project.

Specific criteria include: making significant contributions to the PhD Project's success, having an excellent reputation within the academic, corporate or nonprofit community, having served as ambassador for the Project, and sustained involvement with the Project over a minimum 10 year period.

More information and a list of companies, foundations, associations and academic organizations that support the PhD Project are available here.