



2022 International ACAC Annual Awards

Peter Huet Lifetime Achievement Award

**Debbie McDowell
College Counselor
International School Bangkok**

International ACAC established the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2002 to recognize an individual who has contributed to the profession in a significant and lasting manner. This award, which represents International ACAC's highest member tribute, is presented to an individual who, over a period of years, has performed outstanding service to International ACAC, to our profession, and to the international college counseling community. In 2015, the award was renamed in honor of Peter Huet, upon his receiving the award during the 2015 International ACAC Conference. Peter was a founding member of our Association and served on the Executive Board for twenty years.

Members who nominated Debbie for the Peter Huet Lifetime Achievement Award shared these comments:

- If you know Debbie McDowell, you know that she is long past due for this award.
- Many of us have found ourselves under her leadership, whether it be in Kuwait, Moscow, Warsaw, Buenos Aires, or Bangkok, or following her lead in committees and organizing university fairs.
- College and university representatives from around the world have registered for the many, many fairs that Debbie has organized, which she has done without fanfare "because it's [her] job."
- Debbie McDowell is the quintessential servant leader.
- Whether or not you're in her direct care as a student or as a professional, she is going to lead you with absolute sincerity and her own candid Texan flair that has left so many shaking in their boots and feeling loved nonetheless.
- Debbie's true gift as a servant is her humility.
- She is tireless in her support of students.
- Although she avoids praise, it's time for us to give her our heartfelt thanks for her guidance, relentless organizing, and for always having our backs.

International ACAC is proud to award Debbie the Peter Huet Lifetime Achievement Award!