



2023 International ACAC Annual Awards

Peter Hauet Lifetime Achievement Award

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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 Hauet, 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 Panetha for the Peter Hauet Lifetime Achievement Award shared these comments:

- Panetha always had time for anyone and everyone - students, counselors, colleagues and strangers. She was always "maxed" out on sessions as a panelist since her wit, knowledge, and kindness was a hot commodity.
- She NEVER stopped encouraging others within this profession and was always quietly mentoring (while saying she was the one being mentored).
- What I appreciated the most was Panetha's collaborative style, her creative problem-solving abilities, and her outstanding communications skills.
- Her deep knowledge of international education extended well beyond admissions and recruitment. She was well known and highly respected in the profession. She was one of the most articulate and engaging speakers on the circuit.
- All of us looked up to Panetha and looked to her for guidance and counsel.
- Of the many important contributions she made to our profession I believe she was most passionate about her work with underserved students – DREAMERS, undocumented students, refugees, minority, and low-income students – she used her great eloquence, her influence, her voice, to give these young people a voice.
- Panetha was a fair and ethical leader.
- A few years ago, I was in a strategic planning retreat. Our facilitator asked us, if we could have anyone be our spokesperson, who would we choose and why? I chose Panetha. She embodied what I look for in a leader – grace, knowledge, service, compassion, ethics, humor, intelligence, commitment, wisdom, and clarity.

International ACAC is proud to award Panetha the Peter Hauet Lifetime Achievement Award!