Dear CTIS Senior Students,

The CTIS Annual Award Ceremony, aims to reward graduate candidates according to their academic and extracurricular achievements during undergraduate studies. Within this context, an award ceremony is organized in cooperation with industry sponsors and members of the CTIS Advisory Board. Thus, rewarded students have an opportunity to make a good start in their professional careers. This year’s awards and eligibility criteria follows on the next pages. We wish good luck to all award candidates for their upcoming efforts.

Good luck.

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Note: Students who have a disciplinary penalty are not eligible for the awards.
CTIS Award Criteria

A. Mustafa Akgül Award of Best Academic Success
   - Academic achievements during undergraduate education.
   - Consistent progress.

B. System Development Award
   Senior Project developed as a team, during the senior year. Selection description out of 55 is as follows:
   - Code (5 points)
   - Acceptance Testing (20 points)
   - Software Features and Quality (20 points)
   - Product Poster (3 points)
   - Product Video (3 points)
   - Booklet (2 points)
   - Online Help and User’s Manual (2 points)

C. Innovation Award
   Senior Project developed as a team, during the senior year.
   - Project idea should belong to the team.
   - Idea originality.
   - Value creation.
   - Product completeness.

D. Best Intern Award
   Semester Internship held during third curriculum year.
   - Supervisor evaluation.
   - Interim follow-ups.
   - Interim interview.
   - Internship report.
   - Internship jury.

E. Award of Social Excellence
   Social activities performed during undergraduate education, voluntary and community work.
   - Students can nominate themselves or other students.
   - The documents indicating the achievements and/or activities should be delivered by the nominees to the department secretariat no later than 10th week.

F. Best Classmate Award
   According to the rules determined by CTIS Award Committee:
   - Two-round election. Owner of 5 highest scores (#votes) of the first round move to the second round. The highest score of the second round is titled as the ‘Best Classmate’.
   - The elections will be held on the dates determined by the Award Committee. Votes should be collected through a ballot box in the department secretariat. Each voter (senior year students) can give one vote.
   - Elections are held by using a ‘weighted voting’. Each voter:
     - In the first round, each voter can vote for three senior year students (including themselves). Voter gives 3, 2, and 1 points for his/her first, second, and third choices respectively.
     - In the second round, top 5 winners of the first round are voted. Out of the first 5 voters should pick 2 candidates out of 5 whom determined by the result of the first round. Voter gives 2 and 1 points for his/her first and second choices respectively.
     - The election ballots having more candidate names than necessary are considered as invalid. On the other hand voters can write less candidate names than necessary, in this case only the given points are taken into consideration.
     - Candidates are ranked in terms of the points they collect.
     - In the first round: if more than 5 candidates are qualified to continue to the second round, the candidates who collected the same points will be ranked again according to the (3+3e), (2-e), (1-2e) weighted scoring. After this ranking, if there is still a tie between the candidates, then all the selected ones are eligible to continue to the second round.
     - In the second round: if more than one candidate have equal points, they ranked again according to the (2+e), (1-e) weighted scoring. After this
ranking, if there is still a tie between the candidates, then all the selected ones are considered as Best Classmate.

- $e = 0.05$.
- Voters, should throw the ballots into the ballot box in the department secretariat after signing the student list. In order to be a valid vote, the ballot should be filled depending on the election rules.
- For an election round to be considered as valid; 67% of the voters should vote. If this cannot be achieved that round is repeated. If it happens again then the election and the award is cancelled.
- Tentative election calendar is as follows:
  - First round: week 6; may be repeated in week 7.
  - Second round: week 7 or 8; may be repeated in week 8 or 9.