

Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) Recognizes NLU Alum's Employee Excellence

Darrell Williams '16 becomes first DISA employee to win two agency awards in the same year

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DISA Director, VADM Nancy Norton top, poses with NLU alum Darrell Williams as he wins Mentor of the Year

DISA and Joint Force Headquarters – DOD Information Network (JFHQ-DODIN) employees around the world recognized outstanding performance and excellence by military and civilian individuals and teams during the 2017 calendar year.

This year, National Louis University alum Darrell Williams received Mentor of the Year and his branch won Human Capital Support Services Team of the Year.

The annual awards ceremony took place March 29 at DISA Headquarters and was broadcasted using Global Video Services, the agency's video-teleconferencing solution offered as a DOD enterprise service, allowing employees across the agency to participate.



Darrell Williams bottom, poses with his Branch as they also won Human Capital Support Services Team of the Year.

Navy Vice Admiral Nancy Norton, DISA director and JFHQ-DODIN commander, led the awards presentation honoring employee achievements in numerous disciplines, including civilian leadership, mentorship, small business programs advocacy, acquisition, strategic development, operations, human capital support services, science and engineering, and customer advocacy.

“The award recipients have gone above and beyond the call of duty,” said Norton. “In everything that we do, we are here for the warfighter, we support combat operations, and everything that is required for our department to defend the United States.”

Individual award winners received a trophy, medallion and engraved pen. Team award winners received a framed three-star note and challenge coin.

Norton thanked employees for their commitment and nominating individuals and teams for exemplary contributions to the agency’s mission.

“What you saw here today is just a sampling of the great workforce that we have here at DISA and JFHQ-DODIN,” said Norton.