

CENTENNIAL PROFESSOR AWARD
DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING AND ENGINEERING MECHANICS
THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Purpose

This award is intended to acknowledge the professional accomplishments of faculty of the Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics while they served at the University of Arizona and to recognize their contributions to the department, its students, and the profession.

Eligibility Requirements

The nominee must have held a tenured or tenure-tracked appointment in the Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics at the University of Arizona for a minimum of five (5) consecutive years. Emeritus and former faculty only are eligible for the award. The award will be made posthumously to deceased faculty that meet all of these requirements. It is anticipated that at most one award will be made in any award cycle.

Selection Criteria

The nominee must have a distinguished record of accomplishment while on the faculty of the Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics at the University of Arizona based upon, but not limited to, one or more of the following criteria:

- Advanced the state of the art and/or practice by making distinguished contributions to the theory and/or practice of civil engineering that contribute to the stature of the civil engineering profession and result in local, regional, national, and/or international recognition of the Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics.
- Performed truly exceptional service to the community, the civil engineering profession, the Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics, and/or the public.
- Demonstrated excellence in civil engineering education as evidenced by local, regional, national, and/or international recognition as an exceptional teacher; and/or
- Demonstrated excellence in civil engineering research as evidenced by local, regional, national, and/or international recognition as an exceptional researcher; and/or
- Demonstrated excellence in civil engineering administration as evidenced by local, regional, national, and/or international recognition as an exceptional and effective administrator.
- Recognized and respected as a dedicated and caring mentor, advisor and role model for graduate and undergraduate students.

Nominator

Any person intimately knowledgeable of the contributions of a current or former member of the faculty of the Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics at the University of Arizona may nominate that person for the award. This includes, but is not limited to, all CEEM engineering alumni, former and current faculty at the University of Arizona, staff and administrators at the University of Arizona, the nominee's former colleagues at places of previous employment, and civil engineering practitioners who, although not alumni of the program, fully appreciate the contributions of the nominee to the department and the profession.

Nomination Information Requirements

The nomination portfolio should include as a minimum:

1. The nominee's curriculum vitae (CV). The CV should present a clear record of the nominee's noteworthy accomplishments, especially those that pertain to the criteria listed above. At a minimum, the CV should contain a list of important contributions, publications, patents, professional experience both in and outside of academia, and principal technical society memberships and activities.
2. A formal letter of nomination (500 words max.) describing why the person making the nomination believes that the nominee deserves this award. This letter should contain a summary of the nominee's accomplishments and a brief assessment of the nominee's credentials for the award including any personal perspectives missing from or not readily apparent in the nominee's CV.
3. An attachment to the formal letter of nomination containing signatures of at least ten (10) CEEM alumni or others knowledgeable of the nominee's credentials "seconding" the nomination. Testimonials from signatories are encouraged and, if available, should be included in the nomination portfolio.
4. A completed nomination form (available on the Department's website at <http://civil.arizona.edu/sites/default/files/Professor%20Nomination%20Form%202013.doc>).

Nomination Submission

Awards will be presented in the fall of odd years. The deadline for submission of nominations is June 1st of the award year. The complete nomination portfolio should be sent to:

The University of Arizona
Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics
Centennial Professor Award Committee
P.O. Box 210072
Tucson, AZ 85721-0072

Selection Panel

The selection panel will consist of at least 5 members from the following groups:

1. The head of Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics.
2. Recipients of the Distinguished Alumni Award that wish to serve on the selection panel.
3. Recipients of the Outstanding Young Alumni Award that wish to serve on the selection panel.
4. Past presidents of the Arizona Section of ASCE that wish to serve on the selection panel.
5. Past presidents of the ASCE Student Chapter that wish to serve on the selection panel.

The chair of the selection panel will be the current head of Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics.

Award Announcement

Announcement of the award(s) will be made at the Engineer's Breakfast. The award(s) will be presented during the Centennial Awards Luncheon. Recipients of the award or surrogates in the case of posthumous awards are expected to attend the Luncheon.