

BAE Early Achievement in Education Award

Biological and Agricultural Engineering Division American Society for Engineering Education

The objective of the BAE Early Achievement in Education Award is to recognize evidence of outstanding teaching performance and/or scholarly achievements in engineering education that occurs unusually early in a faculty member's professional career.

Eligibility: Tenure-track faculty member (not yet awarded tenure) with not more than six years experience post-Ph.D. (or other appropriate terminal degree), excluding post-doctoral work, in the field of biological and/or agricultural engineering. Recipient must be an ASEE member and a member of the BAE Division at the time the award is made at the ASEE Annual Meeting. The recipient must attend the meeting to receive the award.

Number of Awards: One per year, although the BAE Awards Selection Committee reserves the right not to select any recipient in a given year.

Nature of Award: Recipient will receive full early-bird registration for the upcoming ASEE Annual Meeting. Recipient is also asked to give an invited lecture on her or his teaching methods, philosophy, and/or accomplishments in a BAE Division-sponsored session at the same meeting.

Nomination: Nomination for this award shall be made by the nominee's department chair.

Criteria: Selection is based on evidence of outstanding performance as a teacher and/or scholarly engineering education researcher, as documented by students and peers.

Nomination materials

1. **Nomination Statement** (3 pages maximum): Discuss why the nominee is deserving of the award. Indicate the range of educational responsibilities which have been performed, describe the aspects of the performance which distinguish the nominee, and provide specific evidence of meritorious performance.
2. **Vita** (4 pages maximum): An abbreviated current vita that includes all information related to the award.
3. **Statement by the Nominee** (2 pages maximum): Include a statement of teaching and engineering education philosophy prepared by the nominee.
4. **Letters:** (6 letters maximum): This section should be prefaced with a list of the names and positions of the letter writers and an indication of their relevance to the nomination. Letters should come from current and former students, as well as colleagues. When possible, comments from colleagues should reflect team teaching and education service experiences, observations, or other first-hand knowledge of the nominee's performance.
5. **Student Evaluation Data:** Student evaluation information should be displayed in summary form condensed to no more than two pages, including an appropriate range of

courses or offerings and reflecting especially the most recent years. Student evaluations should be displayed in the context of college or department norms with a clear explanation of the characteristics being evaluated and the rating scale being used.

6. ***Optional Appendix:*** Any additional documentation of pedagogical innovation or scholarship, classroom performance, vita information, letters or testimonials may be added as an appendix. Note that nominees are not served well in the evaluation process by the submission of a large body of uncondensed material.

Other Information

As part of the nomination packet, please include a 100 word (maximum) paragraph about the nominee. If your nominee is selected, the paragraph will be included in the printed program for the ASEE Annual Meeting and in related news releases. Note the following guidelines:

1. Full name of nominee, with middle initial;
2. Specific accomplishments to support why the nominee should receive the award. Make sure to include appropriate examples of teaching and scholarly engineering educational accomplishments; and
3. Summary statement should be extracted from the supporting documents and should not include any material not already in the nomination package.

Deadline

The complete package of nomination materials must be received six months in advance of the Annual National ASEE Meeting at which the award is to be given, typically January 15.