



UGA College of Engineering Emerging Scholar Research Award

The College of Engineering (CENGR) is pleased to announce the availability of the Emerging Scholar Research Award. This award recognizes Assistant Professors in the College of Engineering who have demonstrated exceptional promise and achievement in research early in their careers. The recipient will receive a monetary award of \$1,000, depending on the availability of funds.

Criteria include but are not limited to:

- Development of innovative research concepts or technologies with strong potential for intellectual impact.
- Publication of high-quality, refereed research articles and evidence of growing recognition in the scholarly community.
- Early success in securing competitive research funding.
- Outstanding mentoring of graduate students and involvement in collaborative research initiatives.

Eligibility

- Nominees must be Assistant Professors in the College of Engineering actively engaged in research with students.
- Faculty who have won this award in the past five years are not eligible.
- Affiliate and adjunct faculty members without a primary appointment in the College of Engineering are not eligible.

Nomination Process

- Nominations may be submitted by any CENGR faculty member or by self-nomination.
- Nominations can be made at [this link](#).
- Nominations will be accepted until 5:00 pm, February 6th, 2026 (Friday).

Upon receipt of nominations, the CENGR Faculty Honorifics Committee will contact nominees to request a dossier of achievements relevant to this award.

Dossier Requirements

Submit as a single PDF (maximum 15 pages, including appendices/letters):

- Cover Letter (2-page max) describing research achievements and future potential.
- Abridged CV (3-page max) including references for publications, patents, and students.
- Letters of Support (minimum 1, maximum 3) from students, UGA faculty, or external peers.
- Supporting documents and appendices. It is suggested that the dossier include evidence of regional, national, and international impact.
- Dossiers must be submitted by 5:00 PM on February 25, 2026, via the submission link that will be provided later.

Selection and Recognition

- Dossiers will be evaluated by the CENGR Faculty Honorific Committee.
- The recipient will be honored at the CENGR Celebration of Excellence.