



UGA College of Engineering Outstanding Research Scientist Award

The College of Engineering (CENGR) is pleased to announce the availability of the Outstanding Research Scientist Award. This award recognizes research scientists in the College of Engineering who have demonstrated exceptional contributions to advancing engineering research through innovation, collaboration, and scholarly excellence. The recipient will receive a monetary award of \$750, depending on the availability of funds.

Criteria include but are not limited to:

- Significant contributions to research projects and programs that advance engineering knowledge and innovation.
- Evidence of technical expertise and leadership in collaborative research efforts.
- Publication of high-quality, peer-reviewed research articles and/or impactful technical reports.
- Contributions to grant development and acquisition, including leadership or key roles in funded projects.
- Mentorship and support of students, postdoctoral researchers, and junior colleagues.
- Engagement in activities that enhance the research environment within the College of Engineering.

Eligibility

- Nominees must hold a Research Scientist appointment in the College of Engineering.
- Must have been employed with the College of Engineering for at least one year at the time of nomination.
- Research staff who have won this award in the past five years 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 contributions and impact.
- Abridged CV (3-page max) including publications, grants, and collaborations.
- Evidence of research achievements (e.g., funded projects, patents, technical innovations).
- Letters of Support (minimum 1, maximum 3) from faculty collaborators, supervisors, research staff, undergraduate/graduate students, or external peers.
- Supporting documents and appendices.
- 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.