UGA College of Engineering Annual Award for Excellence in Research

The College of Engineering (CENGR) Honorifics Committee is pleased to announce the availability of the CENGR Annual Award for Excellence in Research. This award honors outstanding faculty in the College of Engineering who have shown exceptional creativity and achievement in any area of engineering research. The recipient will receive a monetary award between \$500-1000 depending on the availability of funds.

Criteria include but are not limited to:

- The development of novel concepts and technologies which have had, or are highly likely to have significant intellectual or economic impact
- The publication and community recognition of high-impact, refereed research articles
- Translation of research results to the market through starting companies and technology transfer
- Outstanding mentoring of students at all levels and postdocs

Note, the emphasis of this award is on *recent* research achievements and those that combine the above criteria.

Eligibility:

Appointed CENGR faculty at any rank in any track, but particularly those actively engaged in research with students at any level in the college, with the exception of those who have won the award in the past five years, are eligible¹.

A dossier **as a single PDF**, not to exceed 15 pages (including all appendices/letters), should be submitted *by the nominee* with the following required sections:

- A cover letter (2-page maximum) describing the research achievements to be considered (Please make reference within this letter to other evidence included with the dossier.)
- An abridged CV (3-page maximum) including references for all publications/patents/products/students described in the letter
- Letters (minimum 1, maximum 3) from students, UGA faculty, and peers at other institutions about the applicant's qualifications for the award

In addition, it is suggested that the dossier include evidence of the community, regional, national, and international impact of the achievements.

Nomination and Voting Process:

Any eligible engineering faculty member¹ can nominate candidates for the CENGR Research Award to the Honorifics Committee during the open call period for nominations. Eligible faculty members can also self-nominate for this award. Winners of the award in the past five years are not eligible for nomination.

- Nominations can be made at this link.
- Nominations will be accepted until 5:00 pm, February 7th, 2025.

Upon the receipt of nominations, the Honorifics Committee will contact the nominees and request a dossier of their achievements relevant to this award (see above instructions for dossier). The committee will work with the nominees in ensuring the completeness of their dossiers; however, the committee will not be responsible for the preparation of the dossiers or applications.

Dossiers must be submitted via the <u>application link here</u> by 5:00 pm, February 28, 2025.

Upon the receipt of the completed applications, the committee will send the dossiers out to the eligible CENGR faculty for anonymous voting² on the candidates.

• Voting will be conducted March 3-7, 2025.

The recipient of this award will be honored at the CENGR Celebration of Excellence.

The recipient of the CENGR Award for Excellence in Research will receive preference for limited-nomination awards at the university level and beyond.

• 50% vote weighting by Honorifics Committee members, and 50% vote weighting by actual faculty votes cast for a given annual slate of candidates

¹ An eligible engineering faculty member is an appointed faculty in the College of Engineering (this includes lecturers and instructors). Affiliate and adjunct faculty members who do not have a primary appointment in the College of Engineering are not considered eligible faculty members.

² On June 17th 2013, the CENGR Faculty approved the following voting procedure: