COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE
Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award
Recognition Policy

Recognition Category: Merit

Eligibility: All College of Engineering and Applied Science alumni.

Purpose: The College of Engineering and Applied Science Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award is intended to recognize individuals who have distinguished themselves through their outstanding personal qualities, knowledge and significant contributions to their fields. This award will be established to: 1) honor outstanding graduates of the College of Engineering and Applied Science (CEAS) at the University of Colorado Denver; 2) identify, recognize, and publicize high achieving alumni, with the goal of strongly affiliating them with the University and preparing them for future volunteer leadership roles at CU Denver; 3) stimulate greater activity and identity between prominent alumni and the University community, particularly students, faculty, and administration; and 4) demonstrate, particularly to students, that University of Colorado Denver alumni can succeed in exceptional fashion.

Award Criteria: Nominees should demonstrate exceptional service in government or education, meaningful innovation or implementation in research and invention, and/or a significant contribution in industry and commerce or private practice. In addition to distinguished accomplishments, criteria for the award includes continued involvement with the College of Engineering and Applied Science and broader contributions, such as outstanding professional or community service.

- **Career** – Has the nominee achieved a high level of distinction in his or her field, such as measured by career trajectory, prior awards, or substantial contributions that have had a positive impact on the profession or society?
- **Continued Involvement with CU Engineering** – Has the candidate remained engaged with the College of Engineering and Applied Science, such as by serving on an advisory board, giving guest lectures, mentoring students, or providing financial support?
- **Community and Professional Service** – Has the nominee given his or her time and talents in service to the local, national or international community, or to advancing professional societies and associations, above and beyond normal job expectations?

While it is not expected that all candidates must have strong achievements for all three criteria, the overall record must be one of high distinction.

Nomination Procedures: A call for nominations will be broadcast to the CEAS departments in early spring. Faculty, staff, alumni, or friends of the University of Colorado Denver may submit nominations. Eligible candidates must be nominated using the CEAS Distinguished Engineering Alumni nomination form (attached). Nomination forms should be submitted to the Chair of the Selection Committee no later than April 1.

Selection Method: There will be one Selection Committee comprised of three faculty members appointed by the Dean. The Selection Committee will meet in April to consider all nominations received. The committee will review all nominations for evidence of distinguished achievements according to the above criteria. In the event that nominations fail to meet the award criteria in a given year, the Selection Committee reserves the right not to grant an award in that year. Nominees will be notified of their status when deliberations of the committee are complete.
**Recognition Award:** The recipient will receive a commemorative plaque, which will be presented by the Dean at the CEAS Year End Celebration and Awards Ceremony held at the end of the spring semester. Award recipients will be asked to be present at the awards ceremony to accept the award in person, a condition for receiving the honor. Those nominees unable to attend the awards ceremony in person will be reconsidered in subsequent years. Nominations remain in active consideration for five years and may be updated during this time.

**APPROVAL:**

_________________________________________________________  __________________
Marc Ingber, Dean                                              Date
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE
Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award
Nomination Form

Nominations must be received in the CEAS Dean’s Office by 5 p.m. on April 1.

NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Name: ____________________________ Phone: ____________________________  □ Home  □ Work  □ Cell
Address: ____________________________ Add’l. Phone: ____________________________  □ Home  □ Work  □ Cell
City, State, ZIP: ____________________________ E-mail: ____________________________
Degree: ____________________________ Year of Graduation: ____________________________

NOMINATOR INFORMATION:

Name: ____________________________ Phone: ____________________________  □ Home  □ Work  □ Cell
Address: ____________________________ Add’l. Phone: ____________________________  □ Home  □ Work  □ Cell
City, State, ZIP: ____________________________ E-mail: ____________________________
Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

The Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award is intended to recognize individuals who have distinguished themselves through their outstanding personal qualities, knowledge and significant contributions to their fields.

PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Letter of recommendation from the nominator (limit 2 pages) stating reasons the candidate should be considered for the award, including:
   a. Career accomplishments
   b. Community and professional service
   c. Continued engagement with CU Denver College of Engineering and Applied Science

2. Current nominee resume, curriculum vitae, or biographical summary

3. (Optional) Attach any additional information you think the committee may find useful. This information may include: letters of support, short technical documents or published articles, news releases, previously received awards, or any other materials relating to the nominee’s particular distinction in his or her field. Please limit additional supporting material to a two-page summary that may include excerpts, or lists of patents (#/title), papers, publications (title/date), etc., plus no more than three additional supporting documents.

Please submit nominations to:
CEAS Dean’s Office  |  ATTN: Distinguished Engineering Alumni Selection Committee  |  Campus Box 104
1200 Larimer Street, NC-3024  |  Denver, CO  80217-3364

Questions? Please call 303-556-4634 or e-mail petrina.morgan@ucdenver.edu