UNL COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING 2012 EMPLOYEE AWARDS

Edgerton Innovation Award
Research award open to the rank of assistant professor (tenure track); nominated by department chairs
$2,500 (personal prize) / $10,000 (new Ph.D. student assistantship) / $10,000 (unrestricted research)
Funded by Edgerton Innovation Award Fund

Jinsong Huang, Assistant Professor, Mechanical & Materials Engineering

College Faculty Research & Creative Activity Award
Recognizes individuals for activities associated with investigation/experimentation aimed at the discovery
and/or interpretation of facts, as well as the development of creative works or new products
$2,500 each
Funded by donors’ annual gifts to the College of Engineering

Wei Qiao, Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering
Yong Cho, Associate Professor, The Durham School
Susan Hallbeck, Professor, Mechanical & Materials Engineering

UNO Alumni Association Excellence in Teaching Award
General teaching award open to all faculty ranks; winner also recognized at the UNO Faculty and Staff
Recognition Reception
$1,000 UNO / $1,000 COE
Funded by the UNO Alumni Association and donors’ annual gifts to the College of Engineering

Hamid Sharif, Professor, Computer and Electronics Engineering

Holling Family Master Teacher Award/UNL University-wide Teaching Award
General teaching award open to all faculty ranks. Recipients are recognized at UNL’s spring Honors
Convocation
$1,000 COE / $1,000 UNL each
Funded by the Holling Distinguished Teaching for Engineering Fund

Leen-Kiat Soh, Associate Professor, Computer Science & Engineering
Lily Wang, Associate Professor, The Durham School

Holling Family Distinguished Teaching Award for Innovative Use of Instructional Technology
Honors innovative and creative use of instructional technology in the classroom
$2,500
Funded by the Holling Distinguished Teaching for Engineering Fund

Yi Qian, Assistant Professor, Computer and Electronics Engineering
**Holling Family Distinguished Engineering Educator Award**
Awarded every three years to an outstanding engineering educator (rank of associate professor or professor) in the college who has demonstrated sustained excellence in engineering education. $10,000 per year for a period of three years
Funded by the Holling Family Teaching for Engineering Fund

Roger Sash, Associate Professor, Computer and Electronics Engineering

**Holling Family Distinguished Teaching/Advising/Mentoring Award**
This award recognizes faculty for effectiveness as an adviser, mentor, and a classroom teacher. Chosen by eSAB
$2,500 each
Funded by the Holling Distinguished Teaching for Engineering Fund

Gary Krause, Associate Professor, Civil Engineering - Omaha
Dennis Schulte, Professor, Biological Systems Engineering

**Henry Y. Kleinkauf Family Distinguished New Faculty Teaching Award**
General teaching award open to the rank of assistant professor
$2,500 each
Funded by the Henry Y. Kleinkauf Family Fund

Deepak Keshwani, Assistant Professor, Biological Systems Engineering
Yusong Li, Assistant Professor, Civil Engineering-Lincoln

**College of Engineering Faculty Service Award**
Recognizes outstanding individuals for service to their department, college and university, as well as to their profession and community
$2,500 each
Funded by donors’ annual gifts to the College of Engineering

Karen Schurr, Lecturer, Civil Engineering - Lincoln
Zhigang Shen, Assistant Professor, The Durham School
Elizabeth “Libby” Jones, Associate Professor, Civil Engineering - Omaha
Bing Chen, Professor, Computer & Electronics Engineering
College Staff Award for Outstanding Support of Research Activities
Recognizes office/service level and managerial/professional level staff demonstrating superior support of research activities at department or college level
$1,500 each
Funded by the Charles J. Vranek Fund for Engineering Excellence

  Alicia Harvey, Office Assistant, Mechanical & Materials Engineering
  Tim Terrell, Pre-Awards Grants Manager, Dean’s Office - Lincoln

Dean’s Award for Exemplary Service to Students by a College Staff Member
Presented to one office/service level or managerial/professional level individual for exemplary service to students in the college
$1,500
Funded by the Charles J. Vranek Fund for Engineering Excellence

  Lori Straatmann, Assistant Director for Student Advising, Dean’s Office - Lincoln

College Staff Award for Outstanding Service
Celebrates nominees demonstrating superior service and significant contributions to their units; also, who apply innovative ideas relating to their area of work, professional development, educational and personal development, and community interests and activities
$1,500 each
Funded by the Charles J. Vranek Fund for Engineering Excellence

  Arlys Blakey, Administrative Technician, Civil Engineering - Omaha
  Julia Brunkow, Financial Specialist, Dean’s Office - Lincoln
  J.S. Engebretson, Communications & Marketing Manager, Dean’s Office - Lincoln
  Valerie Lefler, MATC Program Coordinator, MATC/Nebraska Transportation Center
  Alma Ramirez-Rodgers, Assistant Director, College Relations/Student Programs, Dean’s Office - Omaha

NOT AWARDED IN 2012

J.E. Lagerstrom Outstanding Department

  No nominees

Holling Family Distinguished Senior Faculty Teaching Award
General teaching award open to the ranks of associate professor and professor
$2,500 each
Funded by the Holling Distinguished Teaching for Engineering Fund

  No nominees

Tau Beta Pi & Holling Distinguished Teaching Award

  No nominees