2014 Employee Awards

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

- Mahmoud Alahmad, Associate Professor, The Durham School
- Yaoqing Yang, Associate Professor, Computer and Electronics 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

- Carrick Detweiler, Assistant Professor, Computer Science and Engineering
- Lucia Fernandez-Ballester, Research Assistant Professor, Mechanical and Materials Engineering

Holling Family Distinguished Teaching/Advising/Mentoring Award
Recognizes faculty for effectiveness as an adviser and mentor, as well as effectiveness as a classroom teacher; chosen by eSAB, $2,500 each
Funded by the Holling Distinguished Teaching for Engineering Fund

- Ece Erdogmus, Associate Professor, The Durham School
- Carl Nelson, Associate Professor, Mechanical and Materials Engineering

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

- Lim Nguyen, Associate 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 also recognized at the UNL Spring Honors Convocation; $1,000 from UNL and $1,000 from COE each
Funded by the Holling Distinguished Teaching for Engineering Fund

- **Paul Harmon**, Associate Professor, The Durham School
- **Mehrdad Negahban**, Professor, Mechanical and Materials Engineering

**Edgerton Innovation Award**

*Research award open to the rank of assistant professor (tenure track); nominated by unit heads; $2,500 (personal prize) / $10,000 (new Ph.D. student assistantship) / $10,000 (unrestricted research)*

*Funded by Edgerton Innovation Award Fund*

- **Ming Han**, Assistant Professor, Electrical 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*

- **Ming Han**, Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering
- **Carl Nelson**, Associate Professor, Mechanical and Materials Engineering
- **Suat Irmak**, Professor, Biological Systems Engineering

**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*

- **Yi Qian**, Associate Professor, Computer and Electronics Engineering

**College Staff Awards for Exemplary Service and Support**

*Celebrates staff members in the College of Engineering for exemplary service and support towards achieving the vision and mission of the college; $1,500 each*

*Funded by the Charles J. Vranek Fund for Engineering Excellence and/or donors’ annual gifts to the College of Engineering*

- **Milunka Brajic**, Administrative Coordinator, Civil Engineering
- **Evan Curtis**, Student Services Coordinator, Biological Systems Engineering
- **Mellanie Gilroy**, Staff Secretary II, Civil Engineering
- **Michael Loehring**, Senior Director of Student Services, College of Engineering
• **Eileen McCarthy**, Administrative Technician, Computer and Electronics Engineering
• **Brett Meyer**, Multi-Media Specialist, The Durham School
• **Amber Retke**, Assistant Director of Recruitment, College of Engineering
• **Laviania Thandayithabani**, Assistant Director of Operations, Mid-America Transportation Center
• **Kathy Thompson**, Faculty Service Representative, College of Engineering
• **Cassandra Yates**, Graduate Administrative Technician, The Durham School