

# MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

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## Distinguished Faculty and Staff Awards

### The Distinguished Professor Award

The Award acknowledges outstanding faculty by conferring the honorific title of Distinguished Professor. Appointment as a Distinguished Professor is reserved for only the very best faculty members in recognition of sustained excellence.

- [A M Rajendran](#) - Chair and Distinguished Professor of Mechanical Engineering (2020)

### School of Engineering, Junior Faculty Research Award

- [Taiho Yeom](#) - Assistant Professor - Thermo Fluids Energy (2021)
- [Ellen Lackey](#) - Emerita Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Director of Composite Materials Research Group Test Facilities (2009)

### School of Engineering, Senior Faculty Research Award

- [Prabhakar R Mantena](#) - Professor of Mechanical Engineering (2008)

### Faculty Achievement Award

The Faculty Achievement Award is given annually to recognize unusual effort in the classroom, involvement with students, and active scholarship.

- [Ellen Lackey](#) - Emerita Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Director of Composite Materials Research Group Test Facilities (1999)
- [Jeffrey A Roux](#) - Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering (1991)

### Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching and Mentoring

Criteria: impact on graduate students, excellence in supervision of student research or professional practice, excellence in graduate classroom instruction, and other contributions to improved instruction, including influence on the graduate curriculum.

- [A M Rajendran](#) - Chair and Distinguished Professor of Mechanical Engineering (2018)

### School of Engineering, Faculty Service Award

- [Prabhakar R Mantena](#) - Professor of Mechanical Engineering (2007)
- [Tyrus A McCarty](#) - Assistant Dean for Special Initiatives in The School of Engineering, Assistant Chair and Associate Professor for Mechanical Engineering (2006)

### School of Engineering, Faculty Teaching Award

- [Aaron David Joy](#) - Adjunct Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering (2021)
- [Damian L Stoddard](#) - Instructor in Mechanical Engineering (2021)
- [Taiho Yeom](#) - Assistant Professor - Thermo Fluids Energy (2020)
- [Erik Curtis Hurlen](#) - INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING (2016)
- [A M Rajendran](#) - Chair and Distinguished Professor of Mechanical Engineering (2011)
- [Ellen Lackey](#) - Emerita Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Director of Composite Materials Research Group Test Facilities (2007)
- [Jeffrey A Roux](#) - Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering (2004)

### School of Engineering Outstanding Teacher of the Year

- [A M Rajendran](#) - Chair and Distinguished Professor of Mechanical Engineering (2016)
- [Jeffrey A Roux](#) - Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering (2015)
- [Ellen Lackey](#) - Emerita Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Director of Composite Materials Research Group Test Facilities (2003)
- [Jeffrey A Roux](#) - Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering (1999)

