



NSPE Award

Guidelines

This is the highest award bestowed on an individual by the Society. It is presented to an engineer who has made outstanding contributions to the engineering profession, the public welfare, and humankind.

Although the Society would like to present this award each year, it is more important that the successful nominee be of such a high caliber similar to previous honorees like Dr. David B. Steinman, PE (founder of NSPE), former NSPE Executive Director Paul H. Robbins, PE, and President Herbert Hoover that it is not mandatory for this award to be presented each year. NSPE Membership is not required.

Nomination Process/Method of Selection

Nominations may be made by any member in good standing. Subordinate entities of NSPE (e.g. Interest Groups, Committees, Task Forces, etc.) or affiliated entities (e.g. Education Foundation, Engineers Week Foundation, etc.) are encouraged to promulgate nominations of qualified candidates.

The NSPE Honor Awards Committee makes the selection of the recipient based on the following criteria:

- Memberships in professional, technical, and other organizations, including offices held
- Achievements and Service to the Engineering Profession
- Service to the community and humanitarian activities, including key positions held, significant achievements for the public welfare, and other pertinent information
- Honors, awards, and other laudatory recognition from any source
- Special advisory assignments

Criteria and requirements are detailed on the following pages.

Nomination Format

Complete nomination packets shall not exceed 12 8-1/2" by 11" pages (this includes the attached Nomination Form as the cover page with nominee's signature). This form and all accompanying sheets – other than copies of supporting documentation -- shall be typed in 11-point Arial font. Supporting pages shall identify to which of the five criteria categories each applies. Lastly, please provide a statement of 500 words or less, which is suitable to be used as a press release that provides an overview of the nominee's achievements and summarizes why the nominee is deserving of this award. Provide at least two media outlets to which this statement should be sent if the nominee is selected for this award.

Deadline and Submission

Nomination packets must be e-mailed no later than **January 31** to awards@nspe.org in the year for which the nomination applies. Nominations will not be carried forward to a subsequent year.

Award Presentation

The award will be presented at the NSPE PECON (usually conducted in July).



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Minimum Requirements

An engineer of recognized standing, who is a licensed Professional Engineer, is eligible for nomination provided the person is a citizen of the United States. NSPE membership is not required. Current officers and directors of NSPE are not eligible for nomination.

The nominee's professional integrity must be beyond question. The nominee's professional reputation should be recognizable at the national level. The achievements of the nominee should be of a high impact or trend-setting. Preference will be given to nominees who have consistently promoted the social and professional interests of engineering.

Each submission must include the endorsement of three NSPE-affiliated State Societies including the one in which the nominee resides and at least one of which must be outside the NSPE Region in which the nominee resides. These endorsements shall be on the letterhead of the State Society and provide the rationale for the endorsement. State Societies are not limited to the number of nominees that may be endorsed. Evaluation Criteria The Honor Awards Task Committee members will evaluate the nominee based on these five criteria categories and score each with a maximum amount of points based on the following table.

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Criteria Category and Maximum Points

Memberships in professional, technical, and other organizations, including offices held

Maximum points: 15

Achievement and Service to the Engineering Profession

Maximum points: 40

Service to the community and humanitarian activities

Maximum points: 15

Honors, awards, and other laudatory recognition from any source

Maximum points: 15

Special advisory assignments

Maximum points: 15

Total for all categories: 100



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Nomination Form

Please Type

Candidate:

Signature:

Email Address:

Home Street Address:

City, State, Zip code:

Licensure Status (Only one registration needed.)

State:

License Number:

NSPE Affiliation (Optional)

Member #:

State Society:

Chapter (if applicable):

Please submit the application and all necessary materials by Jan. 31 to awards@nspe.org and make sure the following is included:

1. Completed nomination form
2. 500 Word Summary
3. Endorsement of three NSPE-affiliated State Societies including the one in which the nominee resides and at least one of which must be outside the NSPE Region in which the nominee resides.

Information about the Nominator

(If the nomination is being sponsored by a State Society of an NSPE body, the Nominator should be one of the officers of the entity.)

Name:

Member #:

Signature:

Telephone:

Email Address:

Date:



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Basis for Nomination

Multiple pages per category are permitted. Supporting documentation can be attached separately.

A. Memberships in professional, technical, and other organizations, including offices held.

This category should include current memberships in any organizations related to the Engineering Profession at the international, national, state, and local levels; Offices held currently or in the past with such organizations should be listed along with significant achievements while in such positions.

B. Achievement and Service to the Engineering Profession.

This category will be evaluated on the basis of a broad range of achievements in both technical and organizational ways that have advanced the well-being of the global population or portions thereof. Enhancement of the reputation of the Engineering Profession with stakeholders outside the Profession, e.g. the Public, governmental entities, and the educational community, should be documented with specific examples to enhance the evaluators' appreciation of the nominee's worthiness.

In judging the worthiness of a nominee for this most prestigious recognition awarded by NSPE, the evaluators are looking for significant items that differentiate the nominee and reinforce the proposition that the nominee has had a long-term and significantly favorable impact on the Engineering Profession, society, and/or the global economy.

C. Service to the community and humanitarian activities, including key positions held, significant achievements for the public welfare, and other pertinent information.

This category addresses areas of achievement that are not directly related to the Engineering Profession. Include affiliations, positions held, and notable achievements with explanation of each's significance in the particular activity.

D. Honors, awards, and other laudatory recognition from any source.

Recognition from any source that acknowledges the achievements of the nominee should be presented. Particular emphasis will be accorded such recognition on the international or national level. The reputation of the source of the honor will also be considered.

E. Special advisory assignments.

Individuals who have demonstrated highly developed technical, professional and leadership skills are frequently asked to undertake these types of special assignments. Cite the specific activity, how the nominee became involved, and the impact of the nominee's contributions. Emphasis should be made of engagements that go beyond the borders of the United States.