

## **CGS Early Achievement Award**

This award is categorized as a Society Award.

## **Purpose**

The Early Achievement Award is intended to recognize outstanding accomplishments provided by members in the early years of their career. It focusses on the excellence of technical realizations and contribution to practice/industry and the services provided to CGS and the profession from a young professional.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for nomination, a candidate shall have been a CGS member (or student member) for a minimum of 5 years and shall be under 40 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of the award.

#### Selection criteria

- Technical Achievements and Contributions to the Geotechnical Profession (40%) Technical achievements include publications and presentation (e.g., journal papers, conference papers, conference presentations, workshops and patents). Examples of Contributions to the geotechnical profession include involvement with industry and professional associations, organization of conferences and special events, and participation in student organizations.
- 2. Service to the CGS (40%)

  Service to the CGS through volunteering at the local or national level through various activities. Activities could include providing presentations or seminars, volunteering in a CGS internal group, or volunteering on a CGS associated conference committee.
- 3. Service to the Practice/Industry (20%)

  Examples of service to the practice/industry include contributions to high quality work in the field of practice, and contributions to and demonstrates leadership at a company or organization.

#### **Nomination**

By any CGS member.

The nomination must include:

- The name and contact information of the nominator (preferably with a photo)
- A letter from the nominator that highlights the contributions and achievements that make the nominee a worthy candidate (2 pages maximum)

- A resume or curriculum vita of the nominee
- At least one letter of support from others, CGS member or non-member

## **Nomination and Selection Schedule**

| CGS members submit nominations to CGS National Office. Eligible   | May 15  |
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| notations are forwarded to the Chair of the Selection Committee   |         |
| Selection Committee selects recipient; Chair of Selection         | July 1  |
| Committee informs recipient; provides name, photo and 100-        |         |
| word citation to CGS National Office                              |         |
| President congratulates recipient in writing; CGS National Office | July 15 |
| provides recipient with information about the awards ceremony     |         |
| and determine if recipient will attend                            |         |

# **Selection committee**

Selection committee to be proposed by CGS Young Professionals Representative and approved by the CGS Executive Committee. Selection committee will include at minimum 3 members. Conflicts of interest should be avoided.

# Type of awards and funding

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# Presentation

At the CGS Awards Ceremony by the President and the Young Professional Representative of the CGS Executive Committee.