OVERVIEW AND ELIGIBILITY
The Antoine M. Gaudin Award in Minerals Beneficiation (Gaudin Award) recognizes scientific or engineering contributions that further understanding of the technology of mineral processing. Eligible areas for contributions are agglomeration, classifications, comminution, electrical and magnetic separation, flocculation and sedimentation, froth flotation, hydrometallurgy, particulate behavior, and other related mineral processing operations.

There are no eligibility limitations regarding nationality or membership in the Society, though preference is given to Society members. All candidates must be living at the time of selection.

TIMELINE
The Antoine M. Gaudin Award typically adheres to the following timeline:

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<td>Committee chair provides qualified applications to members of committee</td>
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<td>July 15</td>
<td>First round of voting complete; committee chair schedules conference call to discuss results (if needed)</td>
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<td>July 25</td>
<td>Second round of voting complete (if needed)</td>
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<td>Recipient name and citation provided to awards coordinator</td>
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NOMINATIONS
Nominations for the Antoine M. Gaudin Award require the following information:

1. Completed nomination form including demographic and contact information for both the nominee and the principal nominator.

2. **Required:** One letter of support detailing the nominee’s qualification for the award. Should address qualities that are mentioned in the guidelines. Should focus on quality over quantity introducing the candidate to the committee (1 page).

3. **Not required:** Up to four additional letters emphasizing the candidates qualifications for the award. (quality over quantity) (1 page each).

4. Nominee’s biography (2 page maximum).

5. Nominee’s CV/resume (abbreviated version – 3 page maximum).


7. Appropriate award citation.

All nominations submitted will be considered active nominations for a period of three years. Nominations must be submitted in accordance with the guidelines provided on the award nomination form, which may be downloaded here: smenet.org/awards-recognition
The Gaudin Award is administered by the SME Mineral & Metallurgical Processing Division (MPD) Executive Committee. The Gaudin Award Committee consists of a chair and six members. The MPD Nominating Committee is responsible annually for appointing members (serving three-year terms) and the chair (serving a one-year term) of the Gaudin Award Committee.

- A minimum of three nominations need to be received and evaluated for each award in order to select a winner.
- Current members of the SME Board of Directors, SME Division Executive Committees, Award Committees, or Foundation Board of Trustees are NOT eligible for any awards that they are responsible for approving during their term, with the exception of “past chair” recognitions.
- No person is eligible to receive more than one SME or SME/AIME award in a single year.

Recipients of the Gaudin Award shall be selected by a majority vote by the Award Committee, subject to the approval of the MPD Executive Committee and the SME Board of Directors. The award need not be presented in any given year if a suitable candidate is not agreed upon.

The Gaudin Award is a suitable plaque or certificate engraved or embossed with the name of the award as well as the name of the recipient and the citation of the particular achievement for which the award is being conferred.

The award will be presented at MPD’s Annual Luncheon, held in conjunction with the SME Annual Conference & Expo. Additionally, the Gaudin Award recipient must attend in order to receive the award and will be invited to present a lecture of his/her choice during the MPD Plenary Session.

All expenses incurred with respect to the award shall be the financial responsibility of the Mineral & Metallurgical Processing Division.

These guidelines may be amended by the Award Committee, subject to approval by the MPD Executive Committee and SME Board of Directors. Any such amendments must be reflected in all appropriate award documentation.

Questions may be directed to:
Awards Coordinator Email: awards@smenet.org or SME Member Services Department Phone: 303-948-4200