

# UCA OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD

## Guidelines & Procedures

### OVERVIEW

The UCA Outstanding Educator Award is presented to professors and teachers who have had an exceptional career in academia and the education in the area of underground design and construction. These individuals have also made significant contributions to the industry through their academic interests, as well as the introduction of many students into the industry.

### TIMELINE

Date	Task
August 1	Call for nominations due – Issued by Chair for T&UC
September 15	Nominations open
October 31	Nominations deadline
December 5	UCA Award Committee to submit recipient name and citation to Awards Coordinator
December 8	Awards Coordinator will submit to UCA Executive Committee
March issue <i>Tunneling &amp; Underground Construction</i>	Award recipients announced
	Award will be presented at a UCA event

### NOMINATIONS & ELIGIBILITY

- The nominee should be a UCA member in good standing at the time of the award.
- A minimum of three nominations need to be received and evaluated for each award in order to select a winner.
- Current voting members of the SME Board of Directors, SME Division Executive Committees, or Award Committees, 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, UCA or SME/AIME award in a single year.

### SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

The Award Committee will recommend to the Executive Committee a recipient they determine best represents the intent of this award. The UCA Executive Committee is required to review and confirm the Awards Committee recommendation.

### AWARD

The UCA Outstanding Educator Award is a plaque engraved with the recipient's name and year of the award. The recipient will also receive a complimentary registration and ticket to the event where the award is given.

### PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

The award will be presented at a UCA event.

### FUNDING

All expenses incurred in respect of the Award shall be the financial responsibility of general Underground Construction Division funds.

### AMENDMENTS

These guidelines may be amended by the Award Committee, subject to approval by the UCA Executive Committee. Any such amendments must be reflected in all appropriate award documentation.

### QUESTIONS

Questions may be directed to: Awards Coordinator | 303-948-4200 | [awards@smenet.org](mailto:awards@smenet.org)