Annual Organization Awards

The Student Engineers’ Council would like to honor those engineering organizations that demonstrate dedication and spirit within the College of Engineering at Virginia Tech and the Blacksburg Community. We hope to acknowledge the accomplishments made during the 2021-2022 school year by presenting the following awards to student organizations and/or members of student organizations:

Community Outreach

Presented to the organization that hosts/actively participates in a community outreach event with service and engineering both utilized to create a better connection and relationship with the Blacksburg or Virginia Tech Community.

With the basis of this award being a community outreach event, a thorough description of the event accompanied by pictures and related information will need to be provided.

Each submission must include:
- Detailed description of Event
- At least 3 pictures from the day of the event
- Information of Beneficiary Group
- At least 3 member quotes
- If Applicable, contact of event/committee head

Most Improved Organization

Presented to the organization that demonstrates the most growth over the academic year. Organizations should aim to show their ability to excel in competitions, underclassmen involvement, research presentations, etc. This award allows the organization to showcase its growth in multiple ways.

The basis of this award is the improvement of an organization which can take many different forms. With this in mind, applying organizations should report on the growth they have undergone in the past few years. The growth can be relative to past achievements, for example, placing 25th in a competition two/three years ago and receiving 4th place this past year. Another example of organization growth can include a higher number of undergraduate members, freshman members, member diversity, implementation of a board, etc. With this being an open-ended award, please do not hesitate to send any questions/concerns to skiesolace@vt.edu.

Each submission must include:
- Description of Improvement Achievement
- Timeline of Growth (Brief Description)
- Any supporting Evidence (Titles won, Presentations, etc.)
- Written Accounts from 1-3 Members

*Member of the Year*

Awarded to a member of an engineering organization that has been a present and inquisitive addition to their team/sub-team. Applicants should be able to receive feedback from fellow members, organization leadership, and advisors to demonstrate their role and dedication to their organization and willingness to learn and actively participate.

This award can be submitted either from an applicant or as a nomination of a peer. If the application is being submitted from a nominator, please indicate this as asked at the beginning of the application, as well as if you would like to maintain anonymity from the nominee. All nominees and applicants must meet the following requirements in order to begin the selection process, as well as be able to present about themselves and their organization role to the SEC Awards and Scholarships Committee.

Each submission must include:
- Description of all positions/roles on Team
- Description of current role and projects
- At least 2 membership recommendations
- Recommendation from organization lead/leadership
- Appropriate Picture of Nominee

*Promotional Video of the Year*

Presented to the organization that creates a promotional video that is able to demonstrate their team’s purpose and be entertaining. Videos should include most of the organization and provide real examples of what their organization is like.

The video itself can be of any theme; this includes music video remakes, lip syncs, comedy sketches, etc. The only requirements that must be met are listed below. Your creativity of what type of video you make is taken into consideration while judging. The content should include promotional content that gives the audience a good idea of what your organization does and gets people interested in possibly joining your membership or making a donation to your team.

Each Video Must Include the following:
- Promotional Content
- Must be between two to three minutes
- Entertainment Value
- Include at least one fourth of membership
- Relative Editing Skills

Students can apply or nominate a candidate for any of the awards by completing the form on this link.

Please contact the awards and scholarships chair, Skye Taylor, with any questions (skyesolace@vt.edu).