ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY

May 3, 2019

CENTENNIAL ENGINEERING CENTER COURTYARD

10 A.M.
Welcome to our 2019 annual awards recognition ceremony, our dedicated time to recognize the outstanding efforts of our students, faculty, and staff.

During my time as dean, I’ve come to appreciate the team effort that is necessary in keeping our successful efforts going in the School of Engineering, which definitely includes student success. It goes without saying that students are vital to all we do here in the School, but important also are the faculty and staff who make it all happen, as well as parents, family, and friends. Welcome to all those who came today to support students.

Congratulations to all the winners here today, enjoy the rest of the semester, and keep up the great work. Your success is the School’s success!

Christos Christodoulou
Jim and Ellen King Dean of Engineering and Computing
UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, MAY 3. 11:30 A.M. Centennial Engineering Center Courtyard. Annual appreciation luncheon.

FRIDAY, MAY 3. 1:30 P.M. Centennial Engineering Center. Engineering Expo V, featuring senior design projects from all six departments.

SATURDAY, MAY 11. 7 P.M. Dreamstyle Arena. School of Engineering Convocation featuring School of Engineering alumnus and UNM Regent Sandra Begay as keynote speaker.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14. 8 A.M. Centennial Engineering Center. Run Nerds Run! 5K to benefit student scholarships.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28. 10 A.M. Centennial Engineering Center. School of Engineering Open House, held in conjunction with UNM Senior Day.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7. 6:30 P.M. Embassy Suites. School of Engineering Distinguished Alumni Award celebration.
Thank you for joining us in this celebration of all of our hard work as we recognize several outstanding faculty, staff and students in a variety of award categories listed below:

**Outstanding students** are selected based on a variety of criteria such as GPA, research, and service to the School, depending on the department.

**Staff awardees** are nominated by faculty and staff from the school, and the recipients are selected by the previous year’s winners. The criteria for selecting outstanding staff are not limited to, but include attitude, performance, contribution, and initiative.

**Faculty awardees** are nominated by their departmental chair and are selected by the previous year’s winners. Faculty awards are separated into five categories:

- **RESEARCH EXCELLENCE, SENIOR LEVEL** is awarded to a full professor or 6 or more years at UNM in a tenure-track position.
- **RESEARCH EXCELLENCE, JUNIOR LEVEL** is awarded to an associate professor or lower in grade with no more than 6 years at UNM in a tenure-track position.
- **TEACHING EXCELLENCE, SENIOR LEVEL** is awarded to a full professor or 6 or more years at UNM in a tenure-track position.
- **TEACHING EXCELLENCE, JUNIOR LEVEL** is awarded to an associate professor or lower in grade (including Instructor) with no more than 6 years at UNM in a tenure-track position.
Melanie Moses (above) was one of two UNM professors (along with Christina Salas) who received the 2019 Women in Technology Award from the New Mexico Technology Council.
Outstanding Graduate Student

Outstanding Junior

Outstanding Senior

Outstanding Sophomore

Georgia E. Kaufman
Outstanding Sophomore

Duncan L. Madden
Outstanding Junior

Benjamin L. Reichelt
Outstanding Senior

Kaitlin O'Dell
Outstanding Sophomore

Jared Kirsch
Outstanding Junior

Gregory Vigil
Outstanding Senior

Antonio De Alleluia
Outstanding Graduate Student

Afroza Shirin
Outstanding Graduate Student

Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering

Department of Mechanical Engineering
**FACULTY AWARDS**

**Senior Faculty Research Excellence Award**

- Andrea Mammoli

**Junior Faculty Research Excellence Award**

- Eirini Eleni Tsiropoulou
- Abdullah Mueen

**Senior Faculty Teaching Excellence Award**

- Mark Stone

**Junior Faculty Teaching Excellence Award**

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**STAFF AWARDS**

**Nanoscience and Microsystems Engineering Program**

- Cornelia Platero

**Center for Water and the Environment**

- Linda Stewart
- Katelin Fisher

**Electrical & Computer Engineering**

- Ganesh Balakrishnan

**About the Harrison Award**

The Harrison Faculty Recognition Award was established in 2005. The award honors Stanley E. Harrison, who received his master’s degree in electrical engineering from UNM, and is awarded to mid-level faculty who have a demonstrated commitment to community service, are recognized by their peers, and are dedicated to engineering education.
ABOUT THE GLENN WHAN AWARD
The Dr. Glenn Whan Memorial Award is an award to benefit students, faculty, and staff in the School of Engineering.

The winner was selected by a committee appointed by the dean, based on the following criteria:
• Community/school service
• Professional/academic achievements/recognition
• Participation in professional/academic organizations
• Reflections of Dr. Whan’s qualities of strong commitment to teaching and to students — exceptionally high standards, dedication, and scientific excellence.

DeBow Freed, who earned a nuclear engineering degree from The University of New Mexico, has donated $50,000 to establish the award.

Glenn Whan was a former professor of chemical and nuclear engineering at UNM. Recipient Gary Cooper is a longtime professor of nuclear engineering at UNM, joining the faculty in 1979.

SPECIAL AWARDS

ABOUT THE BOB VEROFF SCHOLARSHIP
The Robert (Bob) Veroff Scholarship is awarded to a rising senior in the Department of Computer Science. Bob Veroff is Professor Emeritus of Computer Science.

Criteria include excellent academic performance, community service (participation in student organizations, nonprofits outside UNM, departmental service); research/teaching/tutoring potential; and being helpful with high integrity.

Anyssa J. Romero
Minority Engineering Programs Leadership Award

Simon Spangenberg
Bob Veroff Scholarship

Gary Cooper
Glenn Whan Memorial Award

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