2010 – 2011
Faculty & Staff Awards Celebration

Tuesday, May 24, 2011
ENGINEERING AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

HESHAM EL NAGGAR
Associate Dean, Research & Graduate (on leave until July 1)
Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering

The University of Western Ontario
R. MOHAN MATHUR AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

DENIS O’CARROLL
Professor
Civil & Environmental Engineering

The University of Western Ontario
SHARON A. LING AWARD OF EXCELLENCE FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT BY A STAFF MEMBER

JOEL ECKERT
Desktop Support Specialist
Western Engineering Information Technology Group

The University of Western Ontario
ENGINEERING AWARD OF RECOGNITION

DIANA LEE
Research & Graduate Officer
Western Engineering Research & Graduate Office

The University of Western Ontario
ENGINEERING AWARD OF RECOGNITION

CHRIS VANDELAAR
Research & Undergraduate Project Manager
University Machine Services

The University of Western Ontario
Retirements

Western Engineering

The University of Western Ontario
Dave first joined Engineering in 1997 after a career with the London Free Press and brought us a wealth of computer knowledge and project management skills. Over his career in Engineering, he became the key resource ensuring our technology investments in areas such as our central servers and labs fulfilled user expectations …
Dave Schuyler
Senior Systems Specialist, ITG
May 31, 2010

… The students, faculty and staff benefited greatly on a daily basis from his dedication to maintaining facilities which we all relied on but not always appreciated the efforts of those responsible. His dedication to assisting us with our technical issues was second to none. Dave also has a good sense of humour and was highly respected by all.”

~ Remington L Wickman
• Barry Kay  
  Associate Director, ITG  
  June 30, 2010

“Barry contributed to the technology evolution of both the Faculty and Western over a career spanning almost 40 years. He joined Central ITS in 1970 serving campus users including Engineering, to where he moved and provided us with meritorious service for over 35 years. Over his career, Barry proactively led and contributed to the high quality, state-of-the-art facilities we now have including our central computing and video-conferencing facilities …
• Barry Kay
Associate Director, ITG
June 30, 2010

... Engineering students, faculty and staff have all benefited from his knowledge and experience with technology and through his networking efforts with Central ITS and external corporations. We will miss his leadership and dedication but will retain his friendship and wish him all the best in his future adventures.”

~ Remington L Wickman
• Jacquie Taylor
Administrative Assistant, ECE
December 20, 2010

“Jacquie worked in the Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering for over 24 years as an Administrative Assistant. She worked with every department Chair since the inception of the department. During her tenure, she made tremendous contributions in every area and the Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering is grateful to Jacquie for her dedication and contributions..."
• Jakquie Taylor  
   Administrative Assistant, ECE  
   December 20, 2010

... Jacquie came to be recognized as a 'mother' figure with her wealth of knowledge about process and procedures, and the history of the department. She will be missed by everyone in the Department and we wish her all the best in her retirement.”

~ Tarlochan Sidhu
RETIREMENTS

• Jian-Zhang Wen

Research Assistant, CBE
March 31, 2011

“Mr. Wen has been a very valuable member of the Particle Technology Research Centre for the past 16 years. Since joining us in 1995, he has provided technical support to over 100 graduate students, post doctoral fellows and other researchers on their research projects. He has been in charge of building, commissioning and maintaining all major experimental equipment in my research group and also provided help to other research groups …
• Jian-Zhang Wen  
  Research Assistant, CBE  
  March 31, 2011

… He has also made critical contribution to the designing of the new generation of inhalers and has two patents in his credits. He is not only very dedicated to his work, but also takes initiative in helping students in designing and building their equipment.”

~ Jesse Zhu
• William Greason
  Professor, ECE
  July 1, 2011

“Dr. Greason worked for the Faculty of Engineering for over 28 years. He is one of the first group of faculty members who formed the Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering. Dr. Greason's research area dealt with electrostatics and he made many contributions in this area including his service to professional organizations…"
• William Greason
Professor, ECE
July 1, 2011

… His contributions have been recognized by the IEEE by making him a Fellow of this institution. The Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering wishes Dr. Greason a happy retirement.”

~ Tarlochan Sidhu
• Doug Shinozaki  
  Professor, MME  
  July 1, 2011

“Professor Douglas Shinozaki has worked at universities in Manitoba, New York, and London, Ontario. He has served as an instructor of undergraduate and graduate courses, and has actively supervised graduate students and post-doctoral fellows; he is well-known for demanding rigorous work from his students …
• Doug Shinozaki  
  _Professor, MME_  
  _July 1, 2011_

  … Doug is the most senior person in our department, and his insight will be missed. Having said this, he has served Western Engineering for nearly four decades and is most deserving of a comfortable retirement.”  

~Tony Straatman
Western Engineering

In Memoriam

The University of Western Ontario
IN MEMORIAM

• Edwin Nowak
  Professor Emeritus
  May 20, 2010
Welcome

The University of Western Ontario
WELCOMES

• Rachel Dekker
  Part-time Administrative Assistant, BME

• Lorenzo Ferrante
  Research Scientist, ICFAR

• Patrycja Glaka
  Research Assistant, PTRC

• Melissa Harris
  Administrative Officer, ECE
• Tracey Hawke
  *Part-time Graduate Assistant, ECE*

• Jennifer Hinton
  *Outreach Programs Coordinator, External Services*

• Keivan Kian-Mehr
  *Assistant Professor, ECE*
WELCOMES

• Charlie Kruzynski
  Graduate Coordinator, ECE

• Joanna Kozlowska
  Program Coordinator, CAMI

• Shigang Lin
  Research Assistant, CBE

• Andrew Mathers
  Project Engineer, WindEEE
• Lyle McLean
  Systems Support Specialist, ITG

• Jose Munoz
  Research Technical Assistant, CREC

• Claire Naudi
  Undergraduate Assistant, MME

• Craig Reed
  Associate Director, ITG
• Rajib Roy Chowdhury
  Research Technical Assistant, CBE

• Abouzar Sadrekarimi
  Assistant Professor, CEE

• Kelly Sexsmith
  Career Services Coordinator, External Services

• Paul Sheller
  Procurement Coordinator, EFS/Stores
WELCOMES

• Pastor Solano-Flores  
  Research Technician, CREC

• Dan Sweiger  
  CNC Specialist, UMS

• James Taron  
  Counselling Assistant, UGS

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WELCOMES

• Judith Thomas
  Part-time Administrative Assistant, Special Projects, Research & Graduate Studies

• Charles Xu
  Associate Professor, CBE

• Zhongshun (Sean) Yuan
  Research Associate, ICFAR
WELCOMES

• Mohammed R.D. Zadeh
  Assistant Professor, ECE

• Michael Zhu
  Research Assistant, PTRC
Western Engineering

Farewells

The University of Western Ontario
FAREWELLS

• Gerrit Aartsen  
  Technical Specialist, ECE

• Rachelle Anderson  
  Career Services Coordinator, External Services

• Kevin Barker  
  Technical Specialist, UMS
FAREWELLS

• Susan Bock  
  Undergraduate Assistant, MME

• Tom Edey  
  Director (Operations), BLWTL

• Gwyn Hayman  
  Budget Officer, BLWTL
FAREWELLS

• Diana Inculet  
  Assistant Professor, CEE

• Ion Inculet  
  Professor Emeritus, ECE

• Gary Lythe  
  Research Engineer, BLWTL
• Michael Mikitiuk  
   *Research Associate, BLWTL*

• David Morrish  
   *Technical Support Specialist, BLWTL*

• Stan Norman  
   *Technical Specialist, BLWTL*
FAREWELLS

• Ian Robertson
  Financial/Stores Assistant, Finance & Stores

• Karen Schindler
  Part-time Assistant (Special Projects), Research & Graduate
FAREWELLS

• Belle Smaill
   Graduate Coordinator, MME

• Sandra Vilovski-Anjoli
   Graduate Coordinator, ECE
Chemical & Biochemical Engineering

Awards & Successes

The University of Western Ontario
Souheil Afara

• 25 years of service
Andrew Hrymak

• Fellow, Canadian Academy of Engineering
Jose Herrera

• USC Teaching Honour Roll
Paul Schmidt

• USC Teaching Honour Roll
Ying Zhang

• Promoted to Research Technologist, CREC
Western Engineering

Civil & Environmental Engineering

Awards & Successes

The University of Western Ontario
Aiham Adawi

• 2011 Peter A. Rosati Award for Outstanding Teaching in Civil & Environmental Engineering
Adrian Costache

• Promoted to Senior Systems Specialist, WindEEE Dome
Gerry Dafoe

- 25 years of service
Salah El-Fitiany

- USC Teaching Honour Roll

- 2011 Peter A. Rosati Award for Outstanding Teaching in Civil & Environmental Engineering
Hesham El Naggar

• Re-appointed as Associate Dean, Research & Graduate effective July 1, 2011
Jason Gerhard

• USC Teaching Honour Roll
Frederick Keenan

- USC Teaching Honour Roll

- Published a book with Christine Gilmore: “International Development: A Casebook for effective Management”
Craig Miller

- Assistant Professor, Wind Engineering
effective January 1, 2011
Moncef Nehdi

• Awarded the 2011 Bill Curtin Medal from the Institution of Civil Engineers, the United Kingdom
Denis O’Carroll

• Promoted to Associate Professor with Tenure effective July 1, 2011
Connie Walter

• 25 years of service
Ernest Yanful

- Fellow in the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering (2011)
Joel Adams

• USC Teaching Honour Roll
Luiz Capretz

• Appointed Assistant Dean, Information Technology and e-Education effective July 1, 2011
Miriam Capretz

• Became Acting Associate Dean, Research & Graduate effective July 1, 2010
Anestis Dounavis

- USC Teaching Honour Roll
Jin Jiang

- Fellowship in Canadian Academy of Engineering, Fellowship of Engineering Institute of Canada
Jim Lacefield

• Assumed role as Associate Chair (Undergraduate) effective July 1, 2010
Hanif Ladak

• USC Teaching Honour Roll
Ken McIsaac

• USC Teaching Honour Roll
Abdelkader Ouda

- USC Teaching Honour Roll
Vijay Parsa

• Promoted to Associate Professor with Tenure
  July 1, 2011
Eugen Porter

• Worked with WEBots to mentor Sir Wilfrid Laurier High School students to compete in the FIRST Robotics competition.

The team won the Rookie All Star award and competed at the FIRST 2011 World Championship in St. Louis, Missouri.
Quazi Rahman

- USC Teaching Honour Roll
Tarlochan Sidhu

• NSERC/Hydro One Networks Senior Industrial Research Chair in Power Systems Engineering effective July 1, 2010

• Fellowship in Canadian Academy of Engineering

The University of Western Ontario
Ken Stuart

- USC Teaching Honour Roll
Rajiv Varma

- USC Teaching Honour Roll
Xianbin Wang

• Associate Professor
granted Tenure, effective
July 1, 2011
Walid Altahan

- USC Teaching Honour Roll
Maciej Floryan

- Re-appointed Chair, MME effective July 1, 2011
Tom Jenkyn

• Assumed role as Acting Associate Chair (Graduate) effective January 1, 2011

• USC Teaching Honour Roll
Paul Kurowski

• Recently published a book:

Engineering Analysis with SolidWorks Simulation 2010
Michael Naish

- Promoted to Associate Professor with Tenure, effective July 1, 2011
Michael Naish

- Recently published a chapter in a book:

  Robotic Techniques for Minimally Invasive Tumor Localization,” in Surgical Robotics - Systems Applications and Visions
Kamran Siddiqui

• Associate Professor granted Tenure, effective July 1, 2011

• Elected a Fellow of the Canadian Society of Mechanical Engineering

The University of Western Ontario
Tony Straatman

• Became Acting Chair, MME effective January 1, 2011

• USC Teaching Honour Roll
Tony Straatman

• Recently published a book:

Jun Yang

- Promoted to Associate Professor with Tenure effective July 1, 2011
Western Engineering

Dean’s Office

Awards & Successes

The University of Western Ontario
Sue Chapman

- 25 years of service
Allison Stevenson

- IABC London Award of Merit for the Western Engineering Class of 2013
  Recruitment/Retention Communications Strategy
Diana Timmermans

- Nominated for the 2011 Western Award of Excellence
Research & Graduate Office

Awards & Successes

The University of Western Ontario
Diana Lee

• 25 years of service

• Promoted to Research & Graduate Officer
Diana Lee

• Completed her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology

• Winner of the Angela Armitt Medal
Western Engineering

Undergraduate Services Office

Awards & Successes

The University of Western Ontario
Jane Cleveland

- Promoted to Undergraduate Recruitment Coordinator
Jan Shepherd McKee

- 2011 Western Award of Excellence

- Cultivated a gift from TD Friends of the Environment Foundation in the amount of $35,000 to establish the CMLP enviro-garden
University Machine Services

Awards & Successes

The University of Western Ontario
Cody Ruthman

- Promoted to Lab Support Specialist
Ian Vinkenvleugel

- Promoted to RP Specialist