

The HAWAII COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING SOCIETIES (HCES) and the HAWAII SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS (HSPE) with the assistance of the College of Engineering of the University of Hawaii at Manoa (UHM) are tasked to select individuals who will receive annual prestigious awards. One of the highlights in the yearly observance of Engineers Week during the month of February is the presentation of awards in the following four categories:

- * HCES Lifetime Achievement Award
- * Engineer Of The Year

- * Young Engineer Of The Year
- * Student Engineer Of The Year

These awards are intended to give due recognition to the outstanding accomplishments, contributions, and achievements of individuals in the different specialized fields of engineering.

HCES LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

In 1997, the HAWAII COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING SOCIETIES instituted the HCES Lifetime Achievement Award which is designed to recognize the lifetime achievements of engineers who have retired within the last four years. This annual recognition is the Council's most prestigious award and is given to an individual who has contributed significantly to the development of engineering in the State of Hawaii and who has made a noteworthy impact on the local engineering community. This award was the brainchild of Dr. Amarjit Singh who served as the HCES Chairman in 1997. Only one award is given each year during the Engineers Week Banquet. As of the year 2001, three have received the award and the first award was made on February 27, 1998.

ENGINEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Engineer Of The Year awardee is selected annually by the Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers (HSPE). The candidate chosen must be a practicing professional engineer in the State of Hawaii and at least 35 years of age. The technical accomplishments of the candidate and his or her professional, civic and community contributions are thoroughly evaluated. The award is conferred at the HCES Engineers Week Banquet. As of the year 2001, a total of 38 engineers have already received the award with the first award given way back in 1962.

YOUNG ENGINEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers (HSPE) is responsible for selecting annually the individual who will receive the Young Engineer Award. The candidate chosen must be a practicing professional engineer in the State of Hawaii and not more than 35 years of age. The technical accomplishments of the candidate and his or her professional, civic and community contributions are thoroughly evaluated. The award is conferred at the HCES Engineers Week Banquet. As of the year 2001, a total of 18 engineers have received the award with the first award given in 1984.

STUDENT ENGINEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The faculty members of the College of Engineering, University of Hawaii, nominate outstanding engineering students for this award. The nominations are then transmitted to a selection committee consisting of three members - the Assistant Dean of the College of Engineering and two designated representatives from the Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers (HSPE). The award is conferred at the HCES Engineers Week Banquet. As of the year 2001, a total of 15 engineering students have received the award with the first award given in 1987.