



## 2018 ENR–ACE Outstanding Mentor Award

Mentors are the heart and soul of ACE. Their myriad contributions to the students they engage and to ACE deserve to be recognized.

In 2018 ACE will honor up to five (5) Outstanding Mentors. A panel of previous Outstanding Mentors will judge nominations made by affiliate leaders.

Affiliates whose mentors are selected as 2018 *Engineering News-Record*–ACE Outstanding Mentors will receive a scholarship to be named after the Outstanding Mentor.

BNP Media is generously funding this year’s awards. A fourth-generation family-run company, BNP publishes over 50 business-to-business media brands related to 11 different industries, including *Engineering News-Record*, *Architectural Record*, and 14 other media brands in architecture, construction, and engineering.

### **Recognition Given**

Mentors chosen as the 2018 Outstanding Mentors will receive several forms of recognition.

1. A scholarship named after them and awarded to a worthy student selected by the mentor’s affiliate.
2. Outstanding Mentors will be invited to Washington, DC for the finals of the CIRT-ACE National Design and Construction Competition on April 30, 2018. The Outstanding Mentor award will be formally presented as part of the competition ceremony. A partial travel subsidy may become available if the mentor’s affiliate and/or firm is unable to support his/her travel.
3. Outstanding Mentors will be publicized on the ACE website and in ACE’s 2018 Yearbook published as part of *Engineering News-Record*. In addition, ACE will notify the employers of Outstanding Mentors to insure that they receive acknowledgement for their achievements.

### **Eligibility**

To be eligible, a mentor must: 1) be classified as “active” in the ACE database; b) have successfully completed a background check; and 3) have mentored for a minimum of three years, including the current year, (2017-2018). Before submitting a nomination, affiliates should double check that their nominee meets these eligibility criteria.

Mentors who previously have won the Outstanding Mentor Award are ineligible. With this exception, affiliates may nominate previous or new nominees.

### **Nomination Process**

An affiliate may nominate only one mentor based on criteria it establishes. The chair or other senior affiliate leader must submit the nomination on behalf of the affiliate. Self-nominations are not allowed.

In addition to the information requested on the nomination form, which can be filled out as a PDF form, an affiliate may submit a maximum of two examples (total 20 pages) reflecting the range of a mentor's contributions (e.g., an activity for a mentoring session). In addition, affiliates have the option of including **one** letter from a nominee's current or former student.

The nomination form, plus accompanying attachments, if any, should be sent as a single PDF file to Monica Worheide, ACE's Central Regional Director ([mworheide@acementor.org](mailto:mworheide@acementor.org)). The submission deadline is Wednesday, March 7, 2018.

### **Judging**

A panel of judges drawn from previous ACE Outstanding Mentors will review the nominations and select up to five 2018 Outstanding Mentors. Judges have the discretion to determine if fewer than five nominees merit the award.

Nominations will be evaluated and ranked on the following basis: 1) nominee's actions and activities that make him/her an Outstanding Mentor (12 points); 2) the nominee's impact on students (10 points); and 3) nominee's impact on other mentors and affiliate (8 points).

Because so many nominees in previous Outstanding Mentor competitions have had outstanding records of achievement, judges have faced a challenge selecting the winners. Therefore, nominators are advised to make clear, compelling cases for their nominations based on ample and specific justification.

The nominating essay should do full justice to a nominee's contributions and excellence and give specific examples explaining the nominee's impact. Essays directly or indirectly should respond to **all** three evaluation criteria.

### **Schedule**

**Wednesday, March 7 – Submission deadline.**

**Monday, April 2 – Announcement of winners.**

**Monday, April 30 – Award presentation in connection with CIRT—ACE National Design and Construction Competition Finals, Washington, D.C.**



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## 2018 ENR–ACE Outstanding Mentor Award Nomination Form

For eligibility criteria and details about the nomination process, please see the announcement accompanying this nomination form. Nominations must be received by **Wednesday, March 7**. Send to Monica Worheide at [mworheide@acementor.org](mailto:mworheide@acementor.org).

Please return this completed form and any attachments as a single PDF document. Attachments are optional and limited to: 1) a maximum of two examples reflecting a mentor's contributions (maximum of 20 pages); and 2) one letter from a nominee's current or former student.

You can input your information directly into this form. You can save your work and later make changes or additions to the form.

### ACE Affiliate

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Year Established \_\_\_\_\_ Current number of active students \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominator (Affiliate leader or other senior person)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Position in Affiliate \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominated Mentor

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Give mentor's name as it should appear on a formal certificate.)

Number of Years as Active ACE Mentor \_\_\_\_\_

Profession (be specific; e.g., mechanical engineer) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominee's Firm and Address

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Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Head of Nominee's Company** (ACE will send this person a letter recognizing nominee's contributions to ACE and thanking the company.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from nominee's address)

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### **Justification for Outstanding Mentor Award**

In an essay (1,000-word maximum), explain why your nominee deserves to win the 2018 Outstanding Mentor Award. Among other points, your essay should: 1) describe the nominee's actions and activities that make him/her an outstanding mentor; 2) explain how the nominee's mentoring has impacted students; and 3) discuss how the nominee's activities have affected or benefited other mentors and the affiliate. Give specific examples and details to substantiate your nomination.



