

ENR-ACE Outstanding Mentor Award

The ACE Mentor Program of America knows that it is the volunteer mentors who make the program happen around the country. Their dedication and contributions to the lives of the students that they engage with deserve to be recognized. In 2025, the ACE Mentor Program will honor up to five (5) Outstanding Mentors with a national award for their service. A panel of previous Outstanding Mentors will serve as jurors.

Schedule

TBA

Eligibility

To be eligible, the nominee must have been involved with ACE for a minimum of one year, prior to the current year. The mentor must: 1) be classified as "active" in the ACE database; b) have successfully completed a background check. Before submitting a nomination, affiliates should check that their nominee meets these eligibility criteria. Mentors who previously have won the Outstanding Mentor Award are ineligible. Affiliates may nominate previous or new nominees.

Nomination Process

An affiliate may nominate one mentor. 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, an affiliate may upload a maximum of two examples (one page for each example) reflecting the range of the individuals' contributions (e.g., an activity for a mentoring session, student recruitment and retention). In addition, affiliates have the option of including one letter from a nominee's current or former student.

Recognition

- A scholarship named after the mentor and awarded to a worthy student selected by the mentor's affiliate.
- The award will be formally presented as part of the annual CIRT competition ceremony in DC.
- Outstanding Mentors will be publicized on the ACE website and in ACE's Yearbook published as part of Engineering News-Record.
- ACE will notify the employers of Outstanding Mentors to ensure that they receive acknowledgement for their achievements.

The nomination forms, plus accompanying attachments, if any, should be completed by the due date. Please reach out to Monica Worheide mworheide@acementor.org, Director of National Programs with questions or concerns.