



## **REGION H OUTSTANDING COLLEGIATE SECTION AWARDS**

The Outstanding Collegiate Section (OCS) Awards will be awarded to sections that excel in several areas: Professional Development, Outreach, Diversity and membership recruitment and retention. This award will be given to up to three sections in the following categories:

- Outstanding Large (Over 100 members) Collegiate Section
- Outstanding Medium (36-100 members) Collegiate Section
- Outstanding Small (35 or fewer members) Collegiate Section

### ***Eligibility***

- An Annual Report and a Financial Report must be submitted to the Region H Awards Chair by July 31, 2009
- Collegiate Section President must be a member in good standing
- Collegiate Section Treasurer must be a member in good standing
- Collegiate Section Counselor must be a member in good standing
- At least one member from the section must have attended both FY08 Region H meetings
- All Region H reports were submitted on time

### ***Award submission***

A collegiate section must submit an entry in order to be eligible for this award. The entry must have the following: 1) General Section Information, and 2) Section Activities. The membership recruitment and retention data will be obtained by the Region H Awards committee after submission of entry. Entry is due to [RegionH\\_Awards\\_Chair@swe.org](mailto:RegionH_Awards_Chair@swe.org) by May 31, 2009.

### ***General Section Information***

The submission entry must contain the following general section information:

- Section name, phone number, mailing address, and E-mail address
- Section President, Secretary and Treasurer name and SWE Member number
- Faculty Advisor name
- SWE Counselor name, SWE Member number
- Number of members attending 2008 National conference
- Number of members attending 2009 Region H conference
- Number of women enrolled in Engineering at your school, in school year 2007-2008

- Number of total students enrolled in Engineering at your school, in school year 2008-2009

### ***Description of Section Activities***

Describe in detail up to three events or programs that your student section has planned and implemented during the 2008-2009 school year that best exemplifies two (or more) of the following points of the SWE mission: 1) Professional Development, 2) Outreach, and 3) Diversity. (For item 3), diversity of engineering disciplines may also be considered.)

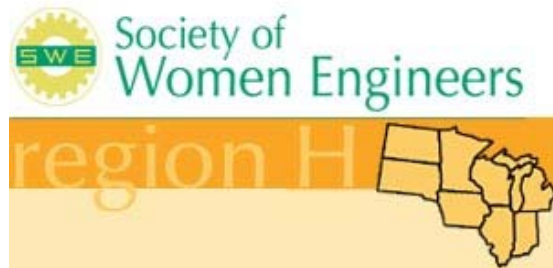
Some questions to address in your essay:

- What made the programs or events unique? Was this an innovative, new or expanded activity?
- What were your challenges?
- How was this a team effort? What was the percentage of member participation?
- Why was this significant for your section and/or university?
- How does this event support the SWE mission?
- What benefit did your section get from this activity?

Describe the section's involvement in Region H (i.e. host region conference, bid for region conference, hold a workshop at Region H conference, newsletter article entry, etc.)

### **Judging Basis**

- 50% - Events/Programs
- 5% - Region H involvement – workshop/conference, conference attendance, etc. ( attendance numbers will be weighted based on total membership)
- 20% - Retention – data will be obtained by Awards committee from HQ
- 20% - Recruitment - data will be obtained by Awards committee from HQ
- 5% - spelling/grammar/mechanics



## **REGION H COLLEGIATE EMERGING LEADER AWARD**

The Collegiate Emerging Leader (CEL) Award honors a SWE collegiate member who has been actively engaged in an engineering or technology degree, has demonstrated outstanding technical excellence, has been consistently engaged with SWE, and is no more than 1 year out of college as of July 1, 2009. The award may be presented to one collegiate member annually.

The ideal candidate will be:

- A Collegiate member who has been actively engaged in pursuing an engineering or technology degree
- A Collegiate member who has demonstrated outstanding leadership excellence resulting in significant accomplishments toward the SWE mission
- A Collegiate member who has demonstrated consistent SWE membership and actively participates in SWE activities

### ***Eligibility***

- All candidates must be a SWE Region H member in good standing at the time of nomination.
- Is a current collegiate SWE member or is no more than 1 year out of college as of December 31 during the FY of the nomination.

### ***Award submission***

Entry is due to [RegionH\\_Awards\\_Chair@swe.org](mailto:RegionH_Awards_Chair@swe.org) by May 31, 2009.

Nomination Packages must include the following information:

- Completed Nomination form containing Nominee Personal Info
- Formal Statement
  - In 3,500 words or less, please highlight the nominee's achievements in the area for which he/she is being nominated.
  - Content for the Formal Statement should cover the main criteria of the award (Note: this information can be found in the *Judging Basis* section of this document).
- Endorsement by SWE leader and professional/educational leader.
  - Letter of Recommendation from Nominating Section
  - Letters of Recommendation
    - SWE leader
    - Professional/educational leader

### ***Judging Basis***

The main criteria for selection are based on:

- 50% Educational Achievements Demonstrating Leadership: Discuss the nominee's active engagement in an engineering or technology degree and achievements demonstrating leadership in her discipline. This should include details on her leadership role, what responsibilities she had in this role, and tangible results of the project/team.
- 50% Community Involvement and Leadership Activities: Discuss the nominee's involvement in the community including the leadership roles held in community activities, including SWE. Emphasis should be given to activities in which the nominee was leading an event or activity.