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# Tim Shaw Award for Innovation in Teaching and Learning Guidelines & Procedures

## Overview

The Tim Shaw Award recognizes distinguished achievement in Teaching and Learning Innovation to improve the quality of Mining Engineering education.

# **Eligibility:**

The applicant must be and have been a member of SOMP in good standing for at least one (1) year before the call for applications. The applicant should ideally be an early or mid-career academic and must plan to attend the SOMP annual meeting. Members of the SOMP Education Committee may apply for this award but cannot serve on the Tim Shaw Award sub-committee or otherwise be involved in the selection or evaluation of awardees. The Award will not be presented posthumously.

### **Timeline**

The Tim Shaw Award selection procedure typically adheres to the following timeline:

Due Date	Task
November 16	Call for nominations
December 20	Nomination deadline
December 21	Committee Chair provides qualified applications to members of the Sub-Committee
January 25	First round of voting complete, Committee Chair schedules conference call to discuss results (if needed)
February 5	Second round of voting complete (if needed)
February 15	Recipient name and citation provided to President and Secretary General
March 1	Recipient is notified
SOMP AGM	Award is presented. Awardee gives a Lecture

## **Nominations**

Nominations for the Tim Shaw Award must include the following information:

- 1. Complete and sign the application form with the names of two nominators.
- 2. A signed endorsement by the applicant's current Department or School Head.
- 3. A signed endorsement by the Head of the student body in the applicant's current Department or School or an equivalent, representative group of students. This endorsement should address the applicant's teaching ability.
- 4. Applicant's CV.
- 5. List of papers/publications only related to education.
- 6. Award motivation letter, maximum 3 pages.

# Award Criteria and Examples of How These May Be Addressed

# 1. Approaches to assessment and feedback that foster independent learning

Integrating assessment strategies with the specific aims and outcomes for student learning; providing timely, effective feedback to students on their learning; using a variety of assessment and feedback strategies; implementing both formative and summative assessment; adapting assessment methods to different contexts and diverse student needs.

# 2. Innovative teaching and its impact

Innovative approaches to teaching that move beyond traditional lecture format and demonstrating how these are linked to student learning outcomes

# 3. Scholarly activities to influence and enhance learning and teaching

Advanced skills in evaluation and reflective practice; participating in and contributing to professional activities related to learning and teaching; coordination, management and leadership of courses and student learning; conducting and publishing research related to teaching; demonstrating leadership through activities that have broad influence on the profession.

# 4. Teaching that influences, motivates and inspires students to learn

Fostering student development by stimulating curiosity and independence in learning; contributing to the development of students' critical thinking skills, analytical skills and scholarly values; encouraging student engagement through the enthusiasm shown for learning and teaching; inspiring and motivating students through communication, presentation and social skills.

## **Administration and Selection of Recipients**

The Tim Shaw Award is administered by the Tim Shaw Award Sub-Committee. Recipients of the Tim Shaw Award shall be selected by a majority vote of the Tim Shaw Award Sub-committee. The Sub-Committee shall recommend the Awardee to the SOMP President and Secretary General for ratification. The Award will not be presented if there are no applicants deemed suitable for this Award.

## **Award**

The Tim Shaw Award consists of a hand blown owl with the Award winner's name and the year of the Award engraved along with a suitable certificate and 500 Euros.

# **Presentation of the Award**

The Tim Shaw Award will be presented at the SOMP Annual General Meeting. The Awardee must present a lecture on a selected education topic.

## **Amendments**

These guidelines may be amended by the SOMP Education Committee, subject to approval by the SOMP Strategic Committee.

### Questions

Any questions in regards to this award may be directed to the SOMP Education Committee Chair.