Texas A&M Engineering honors faculty

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Dr. M. Katherine Banks, vice chancellor and dean of engineering, recognized 38 faculty members in the Dwight Look College of Engineering for their teaching, service and contributions to Texas A&M Engineering.

"These award recipients are faculty members at all stages of their careers," Banks said. "Regardless of rank, each award recipient shares one characteristic: Each stands out among their peers and as such, each honoree is setting the standards of excellence for our college.

"The engineering program at Texas A&M is among the strongest and most-respected programs in the nation. This status is achieved by faculty passionate about teaching and
research. Pushing the boundaries of new discovery, preparing the next generation of engineering leaders — this is where exceptional faculty members thrive. We thank all our faculty for their contributions to elevate the quality of our program and congratulate them on their achievements."

Faculty honored at the April 26 banquet were:

**Overall Contributions**

*E.D. Brockett Professorship Award*
Christi Madsen  
Electrical & Computer Engineering

*Halliburton Foundation Professorship*
Rodney D.W. Bowersox  
Aerospace Engineering

*Texas A&M Engineering Faculty Fellows*

*Charles H. Barclay, Jr. Faculty Fellows*
Sergiy Butenko  
Industrial & Systems Engineering

Tracy Hammond  
Computer Science & Engineering

*Herbert H. Richardson Faculty Fellows*
Bimal Nepal  
Engineering Technology & Industrial Distribution

John Valasek  
Aerospace Engineering

*Williams Brothers Construction Company Faculty Fellow*
Giovanna Biscontin  
Civil Engineering

*William Keeler Faculty Fellows*
Robert Lane  
Petroleum Engineering

Kenith Meissner
Biomedical Engineering
Krishna Narayanan
Electrical & Computer Engineering
Arun Srinivasa
Mechanical Engineering

**William O. & Montine P. Head Faculty Fellows**
Amarnath Banerjee
Industrial & Systems Engineering

Elizabeth Cosgriff-Hernández
Biomedical Engineering

Michael Johnson
Engineering Technology & Industrial Distribution

Alan Palazzolo
Mechanical Engineering

**Service**

**Charles W. Crawford Service Award**
Walter W. Buchanan
Engineering Technology & Industrial Distribution

Duane A. McVay
Petroleum Engineering

James E. Moore, Jr.
Biomedical Engineering

**Teaching Excellence**

**Association of Former Students College-level Distinguished Teaching Award**
Joseph Morgan
Engineering Technology & Industrial Distribution

Gerald Morrison
Mechanical Engineering
Thomas Strganac  
Aerospace Engineering

Ding Zhu  
Petroleum Engineering

*Caterpillar Teaching Excellence Award*  
Carl D. Laird  
Chemical Engineering

*Tenneco Meritorious Teaching Award*  
Elena Castell-Perez  
Biological & Agricultural Engineering

Jean-Francois Chamberland  
Electrical & Computer Engineering

Natarajan Gautam  
Industrial & Systems Engineering

*BP Teaching Excellence Award*  
Akhil Datta-Gupta  
Petroleum Engineering

Lin Shao  
Nuclear Engineering

**Research Excellence**

*TEES Fellows*  
Mahmoud El-Halwagi  
Chemical Engineering

Ibrahim Karaman  
Mechanical Engineering

Peng Li  
Electrical & Computer Engineering

Duncan J. Maitland
Biomedical Engineering
Binayak Mohanty
Biological & Agricultural Engineering

TEES Select Young Faculty
Brian E. Applegate
Biomedical Engineering

Raymundo Arróyave
Mechanical Engineering

Diego A. Donzis
Aerospace Engineering

Gregory H. Huff
Electrical & Computer Engineering

Katy Kao
Chemical Engineering

Download the awards booklet here.

View pictures of the event here.