

Nominations for the YEE Fellowship Award open February 2 – February 26

Each award will be \$5,000. This will be paid in two payments of \$2,500 in fall and spring terms. We anticipate awarding seven fellowships for the 2021-2022 academic year. Applicants **cannot** graduate before May 2022 as they must be a full-time student both Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 terms.

To nominate a student for the Yee Memorial Fund Fellowship, please submit the application material listed below. Each department may nominate up to two students and there is a maximum of one award per department per year. Nominations should be submitted by the department head's office **with all applications materials in one single PDF document**. Nominations can originate from any faculty member; however, departmental screening and evaluation are strongly encouraged.

Application Package

- Application cover sheet (copy at the end of this document).
- Student vita/resume specifying previous education, work experience, research experience, publications, presentations and relevant service.
- If incoming student, please include the following information from the student's application – transcripts with GPA and GRE scores. For current Illinois graduate students, please include unofficial transcripts with current GPA and a copy of GRE scores from their admission file.
- One-page essay by the student nominee. The essay should describe the student's career goals and how these goals will impact engineering education, research, and service to the field of engineering. In addition, how the student's PhD program will help accomplish those goals. For incoming PhD students, please ask them to submit this statement.
- Two letters of recommendation, which should address the student's demonstrated contributions and/or potential for making significant contributions to engineering education, research and service. In particular, the letters should address how the Yee Fellowship will help the student meet his/her career goals. For incoming PhD students, their "Letters of Recommendation" from their application may be submitted.

Selection Criteria

- Special consideration will be given to students from inner provinces or inner province universities (not coastal) in China.
- Strong academic performance based on the student's transcripts, letters of recommendation, and vita/resume (previous recognition/awards).
- Demonstrate interest in engineering education (teaching experiences in the classroom, laboratory, or as a tutor), extracurricular teaching (high schools or through outreach programs), service to the community promoting technical awareness, research, or other outreach activities that promote engineering education.
- Research accomplishments, publications, presentations, letters of recommendation, and student's essay.

- Assessment of the student's commitment to and potential for contributing to engineering education based on the student's essay, letters of recommendation, and previous performance.

Instructions to Upload Applications

1. Name each file that you upload as follows: Department Name-Applicant's Name-Department's Ranking Number. Example: AE-JohnDoe-1
2. Upload the application into the 2021 Yee Fellowship Box Folder (<https://uofi.box.com/s/fsljsvicfp2kcufp3o3uegv2v5o62ic3>)
3. Drag and drop your documents into the box folder or click the "browse for files" link on the "upload button" and locate the files on your computer you wish to upload.

YEE Fellowship Background Information

The YEE Fellowship is made possible by a generous bequest of Drs. Warren and Ming Ting Yee. Dr. Warren Yee received his Ph.D. degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Illinois in 1943 and was a partner in the Detroit firm of Harley, Ellington, Pierce & Yee Associates and later was the founder of Bio-Tech Research Laboratory, Inc. in Washington, D.C. He died in 1984.

Dr. Warren Yee was known for thinking of others, especially relatives in China, before he thought of himself. His wife has requested that income from the funds be used to support Chinese graduate students in the College of Engineering. Special consideration will be given to students from inner provinces or inner province universities (not coastal) in China.

YEE FELLOWSHIP MEMORIAL FUND APPLICATION COVER SHEET

NOMINEE NAME: _____ UIN: _____

DEPARTMENT: _____

STUDENT STATUS (check one):

_____ Continuing (*already a student at U of I*)

_____ Confirmed Entering (*accepted U of I offer of admittance*)

MS Student? Yes _____ No _____ (If yes anticipated M.S. degree conferral date _____)

Ph.D. Student? Yes _____ No _____ (If yes anticipated Ph.D. degree conferral date _____)

DEPARTMENT HEAD OR POINT OF CONTACT:

Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

COMMENTS TO SELECTION COMMITTEE:

FOR COMMITTEE USE:

Date received: _____ Transcripts _____ Vita _____ Essay _____ Letters _____

Nominations must be submitted online using the 2021 Yee Fellowship Box folder:
(<https://uofi.box.com/s/fsljsvicfp2kcufp3o3uegv2v5o62ic3>).