The Award

The Best Chapter Award was established in 2012 by the Geo-Institute in recognition of a Chapter’s accomplishments towards the community and its members. The winning Chapter will be receiving a Local Involvement Committee Sponsored visit from a nationally recognized speaker to present at a local meeting. All speaker costs will be covered by the award. In addition, the Chapter’s accomplishments will be highlighted through an article in GEOSTRATA magazine.

Criteria

The Best Chapter Award applications will be evaluated on how well the Chapter has performed on the following criteria:

1. Communicating effectively with local Geo-practitioners (emails, web sites, newsletters, webinars)
2. Holding well-attended regular meetings
3. Providing quality presentations on current technical subjects
4. Providing relevant ethics presentations
5. Interacting with ASCE and other affiliated Organizations
6. Interacting with and supporting G-I Graduate Student Organizations
7. Providing scholarships to geotechnical students
8. Leading or participating in active K-12 outreach programs
9. Hosting or participating in regional geotechnical seminars
10. Sponsoring public service/awareness activities
11. Championing sustainability principles and awareness
12. Setting and achieving healthy membership goals

Application

Electronic submissions are encouraged and may be emailed to Krystina Scott (KScott@asce.org) by January 15, 2020. Paper submissions are also accepted and must reach the Geo-Institute office in Reston, Virginia by January 15, 2020 for consideration of the award. Please send to 1801 Alexander Bell Dr., Reston, VA 20191, Attn: Krystina Scott.

To apply the following information should be submitted:

- A cover letter, signed by the current Chair of the Chapter
- A letter summarizing how the Chapter has performed in each of the areas listed in the Criteria section. Additional supporting information (ex. Presentations, announcements, membership numbers, sponsorships, etc.) may be included as an attachment to the letter.