

Guidelines for The Early Career Researcher Award
American Society of Thermal and Fluids Engineers (ASTFE)

Section 1: Introduction

- 1.1** The Society annually confers the Early Career Research Award to recognize outstanding contributions by an early-career researcher in the field of thermal and fluids engineering.
- 1.2** This document outlines the guidelines governing the nomination and selection process for the Award.

Section 2: Eligibility and Qualifications

- 2.1** Nominees must be within seven (7) years of earning their terminal degree (typically a doctoral degree).
- 2.2** Nominees must hold a permanent position in academia, a governmental laboratory, or industry. Postdoctoral fellows are not eligible.
- 2.3** Nominees must have demonstrated significant contributions to thermal and fluids science and engineering, along with evident potential for sustained, independent, and long-term impact in the field.
- 2.4** Nominees must have been members of ASTFE for at least two (2) years prior to the year being awarded and must hold active membership in the year being nominated. Active participation in the Society activities is expected.
- 2.5** The Award recipient is expected to attend the conference at which the Award would be presented.

Section 3: Nomination and Selection Process

- 3.1** Candidates must be nominated by an active peer member of the Society. Each nomination package must include:
- A nomination letter, and
 - The nominee's complete curriculum vitae.
 - No more than three additional supporting letters may be included; two letters are required with at least one from ASTFE member. All letters must be dated within the current calendar year. Nominators and sponsors are discouraged from submitting letters for multiple candidates.
- 3.2** The nominator is responsible for compiling all nomination materials, including the nomination letter and any supporting documents, into a single PDF file and submitting it via email

to honors-and-awards@astfe.org before August 31 of the year prior to the year when the award is to be made.

All correspondence should be addressed to:

ASTFE Honors and Awards Council

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Section 4: Oversight by the Board

The Board of Directors will periodically review the selection of Awards as well as its benefits and advantages to the Society and its members at large. The focus of such reviews is procedural adherence and continuous self-assessment for improvement to the selection process.