

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Distinguished Career Award in Materials Modeling

Description

The International Society of Materials Modeling (ISMM) Distinguished Career Award in Materials Modeling recognizes and honors an individual who has made outstanding, sustained contributions to the field of materials modeling over the course of his/her career. Contributions may include seminal contributions to fundamental research and industrial applications, the development of modeling strategies and computational tools, the integration of modeling with experiments and manufacturing, leadership in the materials modeling community, and notable achievements that have broadened or strengthened the impact of the materials modeling community on society.

Eligibility

The award recognizes an individual who has made significant and lasting contributions to materials modeling and to the broader materials modeling community over a distinguished career of twenty years or more. The nominee should remain active in the field at the time of nomination.

Nomination Procedures

Nominator Eligibility

The nominator must be a researcher who meets at least one of the following criteria:

- Has attended at least two of the previous five MMM conferences.

Current members of the ISMM Board of Directors are not eligible to submit nominations or supporting letters.

Nominee Eligibility

The nominee must be a researcher who meets at least one of the following criteria:

- Has attended at least two of the previous five MMM conferences.

The nominee must be active in the field of materials modeling at the time of nomination.

Current members of the ISMM Board of Directors are not eligible to be nominated.

Self-nominations are not accepted.

Nomination Package

The nomination package must include:

- A proposed citation of 25 words or fewer highlighting the major contributions of the nominee.
- A nomination letter from the nominator, no more than two pages in length, describing the nominee's major contributions to materials modeling, including research achievements, leadership, mentoring, service, community-building, and contributions to ISMM/MMM, as applicable.
- The nominee's curriculum vitae, no more than ten pages in length.

- Up to three additional supporting letters from individuals familiar with the nominee’s research contributions, professional achievements, leadership, mentoring, service, or broader community contributions. Each supporting letter should be no more than two pages.
- All documents should be submitted by the nominator as a single PDF file by email with the subject line “ISMM Distinguished Career Award” to jelawady@jhu.edu.

Deadline

The nomination deadline is August 15th, 2026.

Submission Instructions

Nomination packages should be submitted by the nominator as a single PDF file by email to:

Prof. Jaafar El-Awady
ISMM Board President
jelawady@jhu.edu

Evaluation

The Executive Committee of ISMM will screen all nomination packages for eligibility and completeness. Eligible nominations will then be submitted to the ISMM Board of Directors for evaluation.

The ISMM Board of Directors will evaluate the eligible nominations and vote to select the award recipient. Any Board member with a conflict of interest related to a nomination must disclose the conflict and recuse themselves from discussion and voting on that nomination.

Recognition

The recipient will receive an engraved plaque, a \$1,500 award, economy-class travel to the International Conference on Multiscale Materials Modeling (MMM) at which the award is presented, accommodation during the conference, and complimentary conference registration.

The recipient must accept the award in person at the [MMM12](#) Conference Banquet on Wednesday, November 12, 2026.