

THE WICKHAM SKINNER TEACHING INNOVATION AWARD 2022  
POMS 2022 — Thirty-Second Annual Conference, Orlando, FL, USA, April 21 - 25, 2022

As a leading professional society in the field of production and operations management, POMS has the responsibility to shape, to influence, and to recognize outstanding research and teaching accomplishments. The purpose of The Wickham Skinner Teaching Innovation Award, hereafter “the Award”, is to recognize impact and innovation in **the teaching of Production and Operations Management courses**. For information about the conference and the Award, go to the POMS website: <http://www.poms.org/>.

For the Award, there will be **at most two winners: first place with a prize of \$1,000 and the runner-up with a prize of \$500**, or if both tied for the first place each with a prize of \$1,000. No award will be given if the submissions do not meet the standards. The Award will be announced at the POMS 2022 — Thirty-Second Annual Conference, Orlando, FL, USA. The Award includes:

- 1. Public recognition of the award winner(s) at the POMS Annual Conference**
- 2. A plaque**
- 3. A check for the appropriate amount.**

Specific definitions, award criteria, submission guidelines and related information is provided below.

#### **AWARD CRITERIA**

- 1. Pedagogical excellence.** This could be documented through the diversity of courses taught and student evaluations, letters of support from former students and/or assessments of knowledgeable colleagues.
- 2. Creativity and/or innovation.** This would be reflected in teaching approaches and methodologies (e.g., team teaching, student teams, action learning, role playing, etc.) and/or new ways for understanding actual operations problems and the methods that can be applied to deal with them (e.g., frameworks, technology, software, etc.).
- 3. Impact.** In this case, impact on the field, the profession, students/executives, and managers are of relevance. Various types of evidence could be offered to demonstrate that the applicant’s teaching has influenced the world of POM. Having taught large numbers of students is certainly one measure of impact, but more important is evidence that the applicant’s teaching has influenced behavior. This could be documented via letters from former students, statements from people in industry who have hired former students, and letters from other academics who have themselves been influenced by the applicant’s teaching (e.g., by adopting a book, case or course structure).

#### **PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSIONS**

**All applicants should prepare a 5-page (maximum) statement of their teaching achievements and philosophy. The five-page limit does not apply to additional exhibits which can be used to provide supporting evidence relating to criteria for the award. The entire packet of materials must be submitted electronically to the committee chair Dr. Gyula Vastag ([gyula.vastag@uni-corvinus.hu](mailto:gyula.vastag@uni-corvinus.hu)) and a copy should also be sent to Sushil Gupta, Executive Director of POMS ([poms@fiu.edu](mailto:poms@fiu.edu)). POMS urges department chairs or peers to encourage worthy candidates to apply.**

**Submission Deadline: The deadline for submissions is January 15, 2022, 5 p.m. EST.**