
*Rensselaer Polytechnic
Institute*

School of Engineering

*Department of Electrical,
Computer, and Systems
Engineering*



Commencement

May 21, 2020

**Professor John Wen, Head, Department Head
will announce the awards for the ECSE Class
of 2020**



Event held remotely via Webex:

<https://rensselaer.webex.com/meet/wenj>

May 21, 2020 @ 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

- ❖ *Welcome by ECSE Department Head, John Wen*
 - ❖ *Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering*
 - ❖ *Bachelor of Science in Computer and Systems Engineering*
 - ❖ *Remarks by Class 2020 Advisors Professors, Franklin, Lu & Sun*
 - ❖ *ECSE Master's Program Graduates*
 - ❖ *ECSE Doctoral Program Graduates*
 - ❖ *Remarks by ECSE Master's and Doctoral Program Directors*
 - ❖ *ECSE Commencement Address
Dr. Steven Sasson, '72, Inventor of Digital Camera*
 - ❖ *ECSE Awards*
 - ❖ *ECSE Photo Vignettes*
 - ❖ *ECSE Connection*
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The Allen B. Dumont Prize

This prize is awarded to a graduate student who has demonstrated high scholastic ability and has made a substantial contribution to that field.

Awarded to: Meng Zheng

The Charles M. Close Prize

This prize is awarded to a doctoral candidate who has done outstanding work as a researcher and a teacher and who shows promise of a distinguished academic or research career.

Awarded to: Maha Mahmoud Fadel Zohdy

The Henry J. Nolte Memorial Prize

This prize is awarded for an outstanding engineering research or design project.

Awarded to: Steven Beninati

Dr. Alireza Seyedi '99, '04 Teaching Assistant Award

This teaching assistant award has been established in memory of Alireza Seyedi to celebrate his significant research contributions and dedication to teaching excellence as a young engineering educator. Dr. Seyedi was a student in ECSE from 1998 through 2004, receiving his Master's degree in 1999 and PhD in 2004. While a graduate student, he distinguished himself not only as an outstanding researcher but also as excellent teacher. He was a recipient of a department TA award, a "master TA" who worked to help other students become better TAs, and a course instructor. After several years at Philips Research, Dr. Seyedi returned to academia at the University of Rochester and, later, the University of Central Florida where he continued to excel as both a researcher and teacher.

The \$2000 award will be presented annually to a graduate student in the Department of Electrical, Computer, & Systems Engineering (ECSE) who demonstrates outstanding dedication and performance in their duties as a Teaching Assistant while also making excellent progress in their research.

Awarded to: Yu Wang

&

Christopher Wiederman

Best Wishes and



to all our Graduates!

Class of 2020

