ESD NEWS

Awards News:

Olivier de Weck has been honored with a 2012 American Institute of Aeronautics & Astronautics (AIAA) Teaching Award. The AIAA Teaching Award is given to a professor who has truly embodied the principles of teaching and made an impact on students through an undergraduate course. Professor de Weck was nominated for his contributions through 16.810 (Engineering Design and Rapid Prototyping) this past IAP.

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John Helferich (SDM ’10, ESD PhD student) received the Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award at the 22nd annual MIT Sloan Excellence in Teaching Awards. The recipient of this award is selected by students. One of John’s nominators noted that he “provides excellent instruction regarding assignments, supplies valuable feedback, and contributes outstanding insights during class…He is a seasoned professional in industry and a leading mind in the academic domain.”

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Professor Nicholas Ashford and ESD PhD graduate Ralph Hall have won the Best Business Book Award at the 2012 Green Book Festival for their book *Technology, Globalization, and Sustainable Development: Transforming the Industrial State* (Yale University Press, 2011).

Other News:

This week L. Rafael Reif was named the 17th president of MIT. (Full coverage—including video—from the MIT News Office can be found here.) Reif had delivered the 2010 Charles L. Miller Lecture (co-sponsored by ESD and CEE). ESD Visiting Committee chair James Champy served as chair of the MIT Presidential Search Committee.

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The Post-Traumatic Stress Innovations (PTSI) project, a collaboration between the MIT Lean Advancement Initiative (LAI) and MIT Collaborative Initiatives (CI), is seeking an enterprise systems research associate. The PTSI project, an $8-million, three-year grant cooperative agreement with the U.S. Military Health System (MHS), is developing innovative recommendations for transforming the military psychological health care system in support of service members and their families. Read more on the SSRC web site.

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In advance of the Third International Engineering Systems Symposium (June 18-20 at TU Delft), two new features have been added to the Council of Engineering Systems Universities (CESUN) website.
A CESUN LinkedIn group provides faculty/teaching staff, researchers, students, and alumni of member institutions of CESUN an opportunity to connect; network; and share job opportunities, news, and events. In addition, the new CESUN Bookshelf will highlight books written by and of interest to members of the CESUN community. (We will be adding more titles to the bookshelf as we receive suggestions.)

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This summer, MIT Professional Education - Short Programs will offer a number of 2- to 5-day short courses taught by MIT faculty and experts, including many by members of ESD. View the list of classes on the ESD website.

IN THE MEDIA

Boston Globe coverage of recent LGO manufacturing conference; Don Rosenfield and David Hardt quoted
“Summit’s focus: Help manufacturing thrive”
The Boston Globe – May 14, 2012

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Article about 2.007: Dan Frey is lead instructor of this subject (quoted in article)
“Whirr, click, hum: Robots go at it in 2.007 finale”
MIT News – May 11, 2012
Also picked up in Product Design & Development

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Article on “Product Design and Development” course; Steven Eppinger, Warren Seering and ESD lecturer Matthew Kressy quoted
“Entrepreneurial students dive into product design and development: Joint MIT-RISD course yields concepts from iPad-friendly backpacks to waste-free sugar”
MIT News - May 14, 2012

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Bryan Reimer quoted in coverage of “driverless cars”
“MIT forum eyeing new autonomous vehicle”
Boston Herald - May 11, 2012
“MIT Puts The Brakes On Autonomous Driving”
MSN Autos - May 15, 2012
“Case Study Solutions in Practice Shifting to Cognitive Gear”
Industrial Engineer Magazine - May 2012
“Autonomous cars: Sooner than we think?”
EE Times – May 14, 2012

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Joseph Coughlin delivers SUNY Oswego Commencement speech; receives honorary degree
“Graduation Day for Oswego State, Cazenovia College students”
Syracuse Post-Standard - May 12, 2012
“SUNY Oswego to honor Joseph Coughlin at graduation”
Watertown Daily Times – May 10, 2012
Anthony Sinskey featured in coverage of a five-year project between Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM) and MIT
“UTM teams up with MIT”
New Straits Times – May 14, 2012

Fred Moavenzadeh quoted in article about Masdar Institute
“Consistent achievements by Masdar Institute’s faculty and students Support UAE’s rapid strides in knowledge-intensive industries”
AMEinfo.com – May 13, 2012

EVENTS

Wednesday, May 23, 2012
Supply Chain Masters Research Fest 2012
Time: 8:30am-1:00pm
Location: MIT Faculty Club - 6th floor

Monday, June 4, 2012
SDM Information Evening
Time: 6-9pm
Location: MIT Faculty Club

Commencement celebrations for ESD programs, all scheduled for Friday, June 8th:
ESD PhD/SM – Time: 1-4pm; Location: E40-298
LGO – Time: 3-5pm; Location: East Campus Courtyard
SCM – Time: 12-4pm; Location: MIT Sailing Pavilion
SDM – Time: 2-5pm; Location: Liberty Hotel
TPP – Time: 12-3pm; Location: E40-380

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