



Engineering Faculty and Staff Receive University Awards

Four College of Engineering faculty and staff members were recognized at the annual university-wide Awards Convocation February 8 at the Pasant Theatre, Wharton Center. They were among 30 individuals honored at the ceremony.

Betty H. C. Cheng, professor of computer science and engineering, received the MSU Distinguished Faculty Award. She was one of 10 faculty members university-wide to receive this honor. The awards go to individuals who have made widely recognized contributions to their fields, who have made significant contributions to MSU and its programs, and who represent and reflect the character and qualities of excellence valued at MSU. She is working on high assurance computing systems in the complementary areas of software engineering, including software specification, requirements analysis and modeling, reuse, reverse engineering, and program visualiza-

tion of parallel and distributed systems.

Erik D. Goodman, professor of electrical and computer engineering and mechanical engineering, received the MSU Alumni Club of Mid-Michigan Quality in Undergraduate Teaching Award. He was one of two faculty members university-wide to receive the honor. The award recognizes teachers who take pride in and are committed to quality teaching, and who demonstrate substantial continuing involvement in undergraduate education. Criteria for selection include exhibition of superior classroom performance and achievement of high academic standards. Goodman's research interests lie in genetic algorithms, genetic programming, design optimization, and automated design of multi-domain systems.

Timothy J. Hinds, an academic specialist in mechanical engineering, received one of four MSU Distinguished Academic Staff Awards.

University Awards Convocation—College of Engineering recipients (left to right): Betty H. C. Cheng, professor of computer science and engineering, received the MSU Distinguished Faculty Award; Jeffrey F. Rhoads, PhD student in mechanical engineering, received an MSU Excellence-in-Teaching Citation; Timothy J. Hinds, academic specialist in mechanical engineering, received an MSU Distinguished Academic Staff Award; and Erik D. Goodman, professor of electrical and computer engineering and mechanical engineering, received the MSU Alumni Club of Mid-Michigan Quality in Undergraduate Teaching Award.

The award acknowledges the achievements of professionals who serve the university in advising, curriculum development, outreach, extension, research, and teaching. The Distinguished Academic Staff Award is conferred on outstanding individuals with careers demonstrating long-term excellence and exceptional contributions to Michigan State University. Hinds has recently taken over the