

Jack Erjavec Innovative Automotive Instructor Award

Nominations must be emailed on this form to billh@nacat.org with Subject Line of "Erjavec Award Nomination" by May 6, 2019 to be considered for the award.

THE PURPOSE

The annual Jack Erjavec Instructor Award was awarded for the first time in June 2007 to foster the professional development of promising new automotive technology instructors. In order to open up the award to more instructors, the Jack Erjavec **Innovative** Instructor Award, given for the first time in 2011, will be granted to the instructor who demonstrates the most innovative and effective use of technology in the classroom.

Sponsored by Cengage, and administered by NACAT, the \$2500 annual award provides funding to allow one instructor each year to attend the summer NACAT conference and other training events.

DEFINITION OF INNOVATIVE

"The introduction of something new. Using or showing new methods and/or ideas." For this award, innovation includes such things as: the use of e-learning products in the classroom, the development of instructional standards and tracking of student progress, the creation of instructional animations, the modification of existing instructional and management packages, and participating with e-learning products and sites for the purpose of professional development.

IMPORTANT DATES

Nomination deadline is **May 6, 2019**. Announcement of the award will be made by May 20, 2019. The award will be presented at NACAT's 2019 annual conference held in Calgary, Canada; July 16 – 19, 2019.

NOMINATIONS and ELIGIBILITY

Self nomination for the award is encouraged, although fellow instructors, department chairs, or administrators can nominate someone within their program or school. We do require an administrative reference (name, phone number, email address) due to the types of questions used to help evaluate applications (please obtain their permission before sharing their information with us). We will not contact the reference unless an applicant advances to the final round of judging. At that point, we will contact the reference to gain their perspective on the applicant and the applicant's innovative techniques.

Awards do not take into account any references to age, sex, religion, race, national origin, disability, or ethnic background. Please attach additional sheets to nomination if additional space is required. Each individual is eligible to win only one scholarship/award affiliated with NACAT each year.

ABOUT JACK ERJAVEC

The award recognizes the contributions of Jack Erjavec, former board member and current officer of NACAT, and recipient of the 2006 NACAT MVP Award. Erjavec is the Author of ***Automotive Technology: A Systems Approach, 7th Edition***, the Today's Technician Series Editor as well as is the lead author, series editor, or contributor to dozens of other Cengage books. Mr. Erjavec was a charter member of STS/SAE, has served as board member of the Automotive Training Managers Council, and has been awarded numerous honors throughout his career.

Jack Erjavec is a valuable contributor to automotive education. Cengage is proud to honor his commitment to the field by offering instructors the opportunity to further develop their teaching skills and technical knowledge.

NOMINEES MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

The award is open to **ANY** automotive technology instructor who works at a public or private secondary or post-secondary school or training center in North America. Full-time faculty nominees will receive higher consideration than part-time faculty nominees.

**** Please note that judging will be based on the information provided here coupled with the reference verification if an applicant successfully enters the final stages of judging. The more detail and information you provide the more effective the nomination will be. Attach additional pages, if necessary.***

Nominee's Name: _____

Nominee's Position/Title: _____

Program/School Name: _____

Program Street Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Nominee's or Program's Phone Number: _____

Nominee's Email Address: _____

Program Type: 2- or 4-Year College Career College/Institute Secondary School
 Corporate Training Other _____

Nominee's Status at Program: Full-Time Permanent Employee Part-Time / Adjunct Instructor
 Other _____

Annual Program Enrollment: _____

Topics / Courses Taught:

Previous Teaching Experience, if any (Program Name, City, and State):

Dates Worked at Previous Program: _____

Supervisor's Name and Position: _____

Previous Automotive Industry Experience (Employer Name, City and State):

Dates Worked at Employer: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____

Name of College or Automotive Program Attended:

Program City and State: _____

Graduation Date: _____

Nominee Certifications or Licenses Currently Held:

Reference (with their permission, please provide an administrative reference for the nominee)

Reference Name: _____ Reference Phone Number: _____

Reference Position/Title: _____

Reference Email Address: _____

Please provide specific examples of how the nominee has worked to improve the quality or effectiveness of your automotive education program through the innovative use of technology, and the impact that these activities have had (or impact that you anticipate they will have in the near future).

List any professional development opportunities that the nominee has undertaken for himself/herself since becoming an educator.

List specific examples of how the nominee has gotten involved in any of the following: student organizations or competitions, recruiting efforts, community activities, or other activities to benefit the program, school, or larger community.

List specific examples of the technology tools used in teaching students automotive technology.

Please provide detail of how the nominee, if chosen, will utilize the award funds in addition to attending the NACAT conference. Please be as detailed as possible.

Please detail how you feel this award would benefit the nominee, as well as his/her students and/or colleagues.

In 2-4 sentences, please summarize why you feel this nominee should be awarded the Jack Erjavec Innovative Instructor Award.

Additional Comments about the Nominee:

Complete this section only if nominating an individual other than yourself.

Nominator's Name: _____

Nominator's Position/Title: _____

Relationship to Nominee: _____

Nominator's Phone Number: _____

Nominator's Email Address: _____