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*From Disruption to Adaptation: Reimagining the Role of POM*

# THE WICKHAM SKINNER TEACHING INNOVATION AWARD

As a leading professional society in the field of production and operations management, POMS has the responsibility to influence and recognize outstanding research and teaching accomplishments. The purpose of this award is to recognize impact and innovation in the teaching of Production and Operations Management courses. Specific definitions, award criteria, submission guidelines and related information is provided below.

An award plaque and a check of $1,000 will be presented to the winner at the Awards Ceremony of the 37th Annual POMS Conference in Orlando, FL, USA. The winner of the award will be notified by February 15, 2027. For information about the conference and The Wickham Skinner Teaching Innovation Award, go to the POMS website: http://www.poms.org/

## 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. Both, face-to-face and online courses are included.
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

Nominations including self-nominations should be sent by December 15, 2026. All applicants should prepare a 5-page (maximum) statement of their teaching achievements and philosophy. The 5-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, as a single pdf file, to the committee chair Dr. Joel Goh (joelgoh@nus.edu.sg) and a copy should also be sent to Professor Subodha Kumar, Executive Director of POMS (poms@temple.edu). POMS urges department chairs or peers to encourage worthy candidates to apply.