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College of Earth and Mineral Sciences
2007 Ellen Steidle Achievement Awards

The College of Earth and Mineral Sciences is now accepting nominations for the **2007 Ellen Steidle Achievement Awards**.

The Ellen Steidle Achievement Awards recognize junior and senior EMS students whose activities have contributed to the mission of the College.

Senior Award: \$1200

Junior Award: \$800

Students in good academic standing with at least two semesters as an EMS major may be nominated.

If you wish to be nominated for an award, contact a faculty member in your major or the adviser of a student organization to which you belong.

Nomination forms are available in department undergraduate offices, the Ryan Family Student Center (14 Deike) and the Dean's Office (116 Deike)

Nomination deadline: February 15, 2007

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2007 Dean Steidle Scholar Award

The College of Earth and Mineral Sciences is now accepting nominations for the **2007 Dean Steidle Scholar Award**.

To be eligible for the award, a student must be a truly outstanding scholar in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences, plan to go to graduate school, and have completed six semesters of study by mid-year.

While the selection process typically emphasizes exceptional performance in course work, other factors that could be used to distinguish a candidate—research accomplishments, unusual creativity of a scholarly nature, powerful and unique intellectual breadth, or unusual scholarly accomplishments in adverse circumstances—can also be important selection criteria.

If you wish to be nominated, please contact a faculty member in your major. Nomination forms are available in department undergraduate offices, the Ryan Family Student Center (14 Deike) and the Dean's Office (116 Deike)

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2007 GEMS Diamond Award

The College of Earth and Mineral Sciences is now accepting nominations for the **2007 GEMS Diamond Award**.

To be eligible for the award, a student who will graduate during the 2006/07 academic year must demonstrate well-rounded involvement and achievement in both the University and community environment during his/her time as a student in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences.

The recipient will receive a lifetime membership in the Penn State Alumni Association.

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2007 PAPER COMPETITION FOR EMS STUDENTS

The William Grundy Haven Student Paper Competition

The aim of the competition is to encourage excellence in writing by students in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences. The College is particularly interested in recognizing and rewarding those who strive to communicate well to an educated audience on subjects of interest to the programs within the College. Winning papers may be showcased on the College website.

Entrance Requirements

- The student must be an undergraduate in good academic standing with at least 5th-semester standing in a major in the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences.
- A faculty member in the College must sponsor the paper.

Paper Requirements

- The topic should be related to one of the disciplines represented in the College. Content should be readily understood by an intelligent reader with a limited background on the topic. Papers originally written from classes are eligible for the competition, although they should be rewritten per competition guidelines. Technical reports can be used as a basis for a paper, but need to be oriented towards a broad but educated audience.
- There should be a logical development to the paper's theme and a convincing overall argument.
- Information should be current and inclusive and sources must be appropriately cited.
- The paper should have the appearance of a professional product.
- Typed papers should be between 8 and 15 pages in length.

Submission Process

- The paper must be submitted to your department office on or before **February 15**.
- Include with your paper a separate sheet showing that you meet the entrance requirements listed above.
- Submissions will be ranked by faculty with each major. Up to three papers from each major then go to a general College committee for review and final judging.

Cash Awards

Paper competition awards will be presented at the College's Wilson Awards Banquet in April.

First Place: \$1000

Second Place: \$750

Third Place: \$500

Honorable Mention: \$250

The William Grundy Haven Awards were established in 1950 by William A. Haven, '09, in memory of his son William Grundy Haven, who was a Penn State geology student when he volunteered for service in World War II. He was killed in action at the Battle of the Bulge in 1944.