

Distinguished Fellows Presentation Award

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If you are receiving this publication you should be excited about your professional society. The board of directors spent a lot of time in Pittsburgh considering the direction of the society and decided to change the name to more accurately reflect that direction: thus The International Society for Exploring Teaching and Learning (ISETL) was born. To further capture this change, Connexions was renamed Explorations in Teaching and Learning. This is not the first time the society has changed names to reflect the future, and each time there has been a rebirth of excitement and participation.

To foster excitement and participation the board decided that it was time to develop a process to reward the most outstanding presentation at the annual conference. The Distinguished Fellows Presentation Award will be unveiled at the 2003 annual conference in Ft. Collins, Colorado. The process will begin during the review of abstracts this spring. An awards committee will select the most outstanding abstracts for further review during the conference presentations. Presentations will be visited to determine the final award winner with the announcement occurring in the winter volume of Explorations in Teaching and Learning. The winner will receive a plaque, free registration at the 2004 annual conference, and the honor of presenting the same presentation at a special session of the conference. The Distinguished Fellows Presentation Award will be awarded annually, so join the excitement that this will generate for our society.

It is time to consider the development of an abstract for next year's conference. Keep in mind that every submission will receive an additional evaluation as the best abstracts are determined. Who will be the first to win this significant award? It might be you, so give it your best.