



## **ASEE Names Dr. Steve Little the Curtis W. McGraw Research Award Recipient**

McGowan Institute for Regenerative Medicine faculty member [Steve Little, PhD](#), CNG Faculty Fellow and Chair of Chemical and Petroleum Engineering, University of Pittsburgh, has been named the 2015 Curtis W. McGraw Research Award recipient by the American Society of Engineering Education (ASEE).



The McGraw Award was established in 1957 to recognize outstanding early achievements by young engineering college research workers and to encourage the continuance of such productivity. The award is named after Curtis McGraw, who began his career with McGraw-Hill in 1920 in the company's shipping department, and worked his way to become company president in 1950. Sponsored by the Engineering Research Council and the McGraw Hill Book Company, this award is very selective and competitive, and candidates must be under 40 the year the award is presented. Dr. Little will receive his award at the Engineering Research Council annual conference in March.

Dr. Little's citation reads, "For exceptional contributions to fundamentals in the field of controlled release and contributions to the establishment of the nascent field of biomimetic delivery...Dr. Little has developed new approaches to program controlled-release devices to behave in defined ways, leading to systems that mimic the way cells accomplish complex tasks. His work also led to the founding of the first custom controlled-release design company in Pittsburgh. Dr. Little's approach as an educator has led to numerous teaching awards and achievements that are unprecedented in history of his institution."

In his nomination it is noted that Dr. Little's contributions as a researcher and scholar at Pitt are unparalleled, and his reputation as an educator is highly regarded by his engineering colleagues and students, as well as others across the University. His awards are numerous, and he is the only individual at the Swanson School of Engineering to receive both the Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award and the Chancellor's Distinguished Research Award.

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