

Global Ambassador Program History of Awardees

Date Presented	Name	Citation	Organization
November 2023	Rong-Jun Xie	For his outstanding scientific contributions to optoelectronic ceramics, leadership, and services to the Society in conferences and publications, and for his dedicated global outreach and collaboration efforts.	Xiamen University
November 2023	Yanchun Zhou	For his outstanding scientific contributions to damage tolerant high and ultra-high temperature ceramics, outstanding leadership, and services to the Society in conferences, publications and committees, and for his dedicated global outreach and collaboration efforts.	Aerospace Research Institute of Materials and Processing Technology
November 2023	Chang-An Wang	For his outstanding scientific contributions to advanced ceramics and ceramic matrix composites for structural and energy application, leadership, and services to the Society in conferences and publications and for his dedicated global outreach and collaboration efforts.	Tsinghua University
November 2023	Hua-Tay Lin	For his outstanding scientific contributions to reliability of ceramics, outstanding service to the Society in conferences, publications, leadership on ACerS Board of Directors, and ACerS International , and for his dedicated global outreach and collaborations.	Guangdong University of Technology
August 2023	Krista Carlson	For her excellent scientific contributions and outstanding leadership in developing the activities of the Energy Materials and Systems Division .	University of Nevada, Reno
November 2023	Gustavo Costa	For his outstanding contributions to the progress and applications of ceramic materials for extreme environments, and his outstanding efforts in the global communication, organizing conferences, and service to the Society .	NASA Glenn Research Center
October 2023	Bai Cui	For his outstanding leadership and service to the Society along with his dedicated efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the ceramic community.	University of Nebraska-Lincoln
November 2023	Nobuhito Imanka	For his extraordinary leadership in establishing and successfully leading the ACerS International Japan Chapter .	Osaka University
November 2023	Emanuel Ionescu	For his excellent contributions in the field of ceramic science and technology and for his leadership in the polymer-derived ceramics community and within the ACerS International Germany Chapter .	Fraunhofer IWKS
August 2023	Do-Heyoung Kim	For his outstanding leadership in promoting the partnership between the Korean Institute of Chemical Engineers (KIChE) and The American Ceramic Society along with his excellent scientific contributions in functional thin films.	Chonnam University
November 2023	Kwang Ho Kim	For his excellent contributions to ceramic and hybrid materials and efforts in promoting the global ceramic community through international collaborations, young professional mentoring, and leadership in the organization of ACerS conferences.	Pusan National University

August 2023	Ravi Kumar	For his outstanding leadership and efforts in mentoring, technical publications, and organization of numerous conferences and his outstanding efforts in developing global outreach for the Society .	Indian Institute of Technology Madras India
August 2023	C.D. Madhusoodana	For outstanding technological achievements, contributions to the ceramic society and connecting Indian and American ceramic communities, and his initiatives for popularizing ceramics through global networking.	Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
November 2023	Yogendra Kumar Mishra	For his outstanding scientific leadership and efforts in mentoring young professionals, and his outstanding efforts in establishing the ACerS International Nordic Chapter .	Sonderborg University
November 2023	Ahsan Ul Haq Qurashi	For his excellent scientific contributions and continuing efforts in establishing first ever ACerS International chapter in Middle East .	Khalifa University of Science and Technology, UAE
2024	Prabhakar Singh	For his excellent scientific contributions to the international ceramic community and the society by actively participating the conferences and guiding and exchanging students.	Indian Institute of Technology Varanasi
January 2024	Ender Suvaci	For his global scientific leadership, passion for mentoring young ceramic professionals and for dedicated efforts to establish ACerS International Türkiye Chapter .	Eskisehir Technical University
November 2023	Jenny Wang	For her unwavering passion and dedication to ACerS activities and her outstanding leadership to propel the convergence of ceramic science and business expansion, cross-culture communication, and global business collaboration.	AdValue
December 2023	Gunnar Westin	For his outstanding scientific leadership and efforts in mentoring young professionals, and for serving the Society through proactive volunteer leadership.	Uppsala University
November 2022	Michelle Korwin-Edson	For her outstanding contributions during the 2022 International Year of Glass activities including the Glass and Optical Materials Division student outreach event.	Owens Corning
November 2022	Irene Peterson	For her outstanding contributions during the 2022 International Year of Glass activities including the National Day of Glass , Glass and Optical Materials Division meeting student outreach event, and the DGG meeting in Germany.	Corning, Inc.
November 2022	Armin Feldhoff	For his outstanding contributions to the Society through his leadership as the first chair of the recently established Energy Materials and Systems Division and his organizing symposia for ACerS meetings.	Leibniz University Hannover
November 2022	Josh Pelletier	In recognition of his outstanding service, commitment, and dedication to the furtherment of educational, global outreach and promotional success of The American Ceramic Society and the Refractory Ceramics Division .	Imerys
November 2022	Zhaoju Yu	For her outstanding contributions to the progress of ceramics and their applications and her outstanding efforts in the global cooperation by exchanging students, organizing conferences, and services to the Society .	Xiamen University
November 2022	Olivier Guillon	For outstanding scientific achievements, contributions to the Society and the international ceramic community and mentoring of students and young professionals.	Institut of Energy and Climate Research: Materials Synthesis and Processing
November 2022	Jon Hinton	For his outstanding contribution to the Society and his promotion of the ceramics and glass community through his trustee leadership at the Edward	Dunbrooke & Woodward, LLC

		Orton Jr. Ceramic Foundation.	
November 2022	Mark Losego	For his outstanding contributions to ACerS Young Professionals Network , including formulating the YPN+1 program, being a founding member of the YPN+1 sub-committee, and participating on the YPN Steering Committee.	Georgia Institute of Technology
November 2022	Rishabh Kundu	For his outstanding contributions to the Society through his participation in ACerS member communities, initiation of the EMSD's logo contest, involvement in the international materials science outreach event - 'International Materials Slam 2022', and his promotion of GGRN memberships.	Technische Universität Darmstadt
November 2022	Glenn Gates	For his outstanding leadership of the Art, Archaeology, and Conservation Science Division in the revitalization of the division and for his organization of a student outreach workshop to provide exposure to scientists or engineers who may not be working in cultural heritage.	Johns Hopkins
November 2022	Denise Silva	For her outstanding leadership of the Cements Division during the pandemic, and for the organization of the 2021 and 2022 Cements meetings including collaboration with international speakers.	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
October 2022	Kathryn Goetschius	For her outstanding contributions to ACerS Young Professionals Network , Strategic Planning & Emerging Opportunities Committee, student mentoring, and the Young Professional Industry Task Force.	Corning, Inc.
October 2021	Stephen Houseman	For his outstanding dedication, service, and commitment to the advancement of The American Ceramic Society .	Harrop Industries, LLC.
October 2021	Mario Affatigato	For his outstanding dedication, service and commitment to the advancement of The American Ceramic Society .	Coe College
October 2021	James Hemrick	For his outstanding contributions in advancing refractory ceramics and manufacturing through research collaborations among government, academia, and industry, meetings organization and professional leadership.	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
September 2021	Yutai Katoh	For his sustained outstanding leadership, dedication and service to society in promoting global collaborations in ceramic science and engineering.	Oak Ridge National Laboratory
April 2021	Jie Zhang	For her excellent contributions to the progress and applications of ceramic coatings, and her outstanding services to the Society and global ceramic communities.	Chinese Academy of Sciences
February 2021	Hui-suk Yun	For her excellent contributions to the progress of ceramics and their industrial applications and her outstanding efforts in the global communication on ceramics by exchanging students, organizing conferences, and services to the Society .	Korea Institute of Materials Science
February 2021	Mihails Kusnezoff	For his outstanding leadership and services to the Society in conferences and publications along with his dedicated global outreach and collaboration efforts.	Fraunhofer Institute for Ceramic Technologies and Systems IKTS

December 2020	Katalin Balazsi	For her outstanding contribution to the Society and her outstanding efforts in promotion of women in the materials science and the ceramic community.	Centre for Energy Research, Centre of Excellence of Hungarian Academy of Sciences
September 2020	Vijay Jain	For his outstanding and continuing leadership and services to the Society in division and conferences along with his dedicated outreach and collaboration efforts with other societies.	Savannah River Remediation LLC

September 2020	Reginaldo Muccillo	For his tireless efforts and leadership in organization of numerous conferences and his outstanding efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society .	Energy and Nuclear Research Institute
September 2020	Weimin Wang	For his outstanding contributions and services to the Society and his sustained efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the ceramic community.	Wuhan University of Technology
September 2020	Federico Smeacetto	For his outstanding leadership and services to the Society in division, conferences, and publications along with his dedicated global outreach and collaboration efforts.	Politecnico di Torino
September 2020	Joaquin Ramirez-Rico	For his outstanding leadership and services to the Society and his outstanding efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the ceramic community.	University of Seville
September 2020	Pietro Vincenzini	For his long-term vision and outstanding leadership in developing and implementing global collaboration activities and his dedication to promote friendship and harmony in global ceramics community.	Council Chair, World Academy of Ceramics
September 2020	Gerald Vignoles	For his outstanding academic contributions and services to the Society and his ceaseless efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the CMC community.	LCTS-Université de Bordeaux
September 2020	Kiyoshi Shimamura	For outstanding global contributions and leadership, encouragement and mentoring of students and young professionals enabling them to be next generation society leaders.	National Institute for Materials Science
September 2020	Walter Krenkel	For his excellent contributions to the progress of ceramics and their industrial applications and his outstanding efforts in the global communication on ceramics by exchanging students, organizing conferences, and service to the Society .	University of Bayreuth
September 2020	Ruyan Guo	For her outstanding contribution in advancing the electronic ceramics research with global impact, through interdisciplinary education, research collaboration, and professional leadership.	University of Texas at San Antonio
January 2020	Csaba Balazsi	For his outstanding leadership and services to the Society and his outstanding efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the ceramic community.	Centre of Excellence of Hungarian Academy of Sciences

January 2020	George Quinn	For his outstanding contributions and leadership in global ceramic community, particularly for his educational activities worldwide and creation of many international standards related to ceramics.	National Institute of Standards and Technology
January 2020	Young-Wook Kim	For his outstanding leadership, sustained contributions and services to the Society along with his dedicated global collaboration and outreach efforts.	University of Seoul
January 2020	Hagen Klemm	For his outstanding leadership and services to the Society in conferences and publications along with his dedicated global outreach and collaboration efforts.	Fraunhofer Institute for Ceramic Technologies & Systems IKTS
January 2020	Tadachika Nakayama	For his engagement in linking the ceramic community worldwide and for his important role in cooperation not only between the U.S. and Japan but also between the U.S. and the Global Growth Sector (Southeast Asia and Latin America).	Nagaoka University of Technology
October 2019	Stephen Freiman	In recognition of his leadership in revising ACerS constitution and rules .	Freiman Consulting, Inc.
October 2019	Valerie Wiesner	For her leadership and efforts in engaging students and young professionals, organization of numerous conferences and technical contributions and for her outstanding efforts in developing local and global outreach for the Society .	NASA Langley Research Center
October 2019	Marissa Reigel	For her leadership in the Education and Professional Development Council , and for her outstanding support of student and young professional events at ACerS meetings.	Savannah River National Laboratory
October 2019	Kristen Brosnan	In recognition of her leadership and commitment to ACerS President's Council of Student Advisors as a mentor-at-large, in recognition of her leadership efforts by launching the 'lunch with a pro' initiative program, and her overall volunteer contributions and dedication to the Society.	GE Global Research Center
June 2019	Dana Goski	In recognition of her outstanding dedication, service and commitment to the advancement of The American Ceramic Society and for her leadership in ensuring that the Society is welcoming and provides a safe meeting environment for all.	Allied Mineral Products, Inc.

January 2019	Kyoung Il Moon	For his outstanding leadership and services to society in division, conferences, and publications along with his dedicated global outreach and collaboration efforts.	Korea Institute of Technology
January 2019	Jon Binner	For his service as associate editor of the International Journal of Applied Ceramic Technology , his long term global technical collaborations in Ultra High Temperature Ceramics, and his efforts in promoting closer ties between The American Ceramic Society and The European Ceramic Society .	University of Birmingham
January 2019	Steven Tidrow	In recognition of his leadership, commitment, and dedication to the advancement of ceramic education and research; his leadership in the ACerS Electronics Division ; his leadership and support of EMA, MCARE, PanAm Ceramic Congress, and other ACerS Meetings ; and his global collaboration within the ceramics community.	Alfred University
January 2019	Henry Colorado	In recognition of his leadership, commitment, and dedication to the advancement of ceramic education and research; his support of ICACC, MS&T, PacRim, and other ACerS Meetings ; and his global collaboration within the ceramics community.	Universidad de Antioquia
January 2019	Toshihiro Ishikawa	For his leadership and efforts in mentoring, technical publications, and organization of numerous conferences and his outstanding efforts in developing global outreach for the society.	Tokyo University of Science
January 2019	Dileep Singh	For his proactive efforts in promoting ceramics science and engineering to the global community.	Argonne National Laboratory
October 2018	Martin Harmer	For his voluntary service to ACerS and for representing ceramics on a multi-society level.	Lehigh University
October 2018	Manoj Choudhary	For his outstanding leadership among the scientific and industrial international glass community and for his volunteer contributions to the Society.	
October 2018	Greg Rohrer	For his dedication to the mission of humanitarian activities in advancing engineering principles to assist development of all segments of society.	Carnegie Mellon University

September 2018	Sanjay Mathur	For his dedicated service and bridge-building efforts to global ceramics and materials society and in recognition of his extraordinary leadership in developing international collaboration and outreach.	University of Cologne
July 2018	Bikramjit Basu	For his outstanding leadership and efforts in mentoring, technical publications, and organization of numerous conferences and his outstanding efforts in developing global outreach for the Society.	Indian Institute of Science
June 2018	John Sanders	In recognition of his leadership, commitment, and dedication to the advancement of the brick and clay industry through ceramic education, research, and his support of ACerS Structural Clay Products Division meetings.	Clemson University
June 2018	Fred McMann	For his dedication and leadership in The American Ceramic Society's Southwest Section and for his outstanding efforts in the organization of numerous Southwest Section meetings.	
May 2018	Lynnette Madsen	For her support of leadership priorities, identification of strategic approaches, and ability to rally people together to achieve significant milestones.	National Science Foundation
March 2018	Nancy Bunt	In recognition of her outstanding service, commitment and dedication to the furtherment of educational and promotional success of The American Ceramic Society and the Refractory Ceramics Division .	Kerneos
March 2018	William Headrick	In recognition of his outstanding service, commitment and dedication to the furtherment of educational and promotional success of The American Ceramic Society and the Refractory Ceramics Division .	Missouri Refractories Co., Inc.
January 2018	Michael Halbig	For his dedicated service to the Society in providing leadership in divisions, committees, and conferences and in his outstanding efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach.	NASA Glenn Research Center
January 2018	Soshu Kirihara	For his outstanding leadership and services to the Society in divisions, conferences, and publications along with his dedicated global outreach and collaboration efforts.	Osaka University

January 2018	Dietmar Koch	For his tireless efforts and leadership in organization of numerous conferences and his outstanding efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	German Aerospace Center
January 2018	Federico Rosei	For his sustained leadership and service to the Society in organizing numerous conferences and his outstanding efforts in developing global collaborations and outreach on behalf of the ceramics community.	INRS Centre for Energy-Canada
October 2017	John Hewitt	For his dedication to ACerS and the role that he played in helping to bring together the Structural Products Clay Division , the ACerS Southwest Section , and the National Brick Research Center for a successful joint meeting in 2017.	Interstate Brick Company
October 2017	Tyler Ley	For his dedication to ACerS and to the Cements Division leadership, and his many years of service and continuing support of the ceramics community.	Oklahoma State University
October 2017	Kevin Fox	For his tireless and patient efforts in coordinating the development of the Education and Professional Development Council .	Savannah River National Laboratory
October 2017	Surojit Gupta	For his dedication to ensuring graduate students fully experience ACerS technical conferences by securing travel grants and having students write and publish blog posts about the programming in which they participated.	University of North Dakota
October 2017	Darryl Butt	For providing exemplary service to ACerS as Publications Chair since 2014 and for effectively driving changes to improve the impact of ACerS journal program.	University of Utah
October 2017	Edgar Zanotto	For his exemplary leadership as GOMD's first international chair and for initiating a video outreach project to promote the Division and glass science and technology.	Federal University of Sao Carlos
October 2017	Lisa Rueschhoff	For exceptional volunteerism and outstanding leadership of the Society's President's Council of Student Advisors .	Air Force Research Laboratory
June 2017	Theresa Davey	For outstanding leadership of the Society's President's Council of Student Advisors .	Tohoku University

May 2017	Jingyang Wang	For his tireless efforts and leadership in organizing numerous conferences and developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	Shenyang National Laboratory for Materials Science
May 2017	Manabu Fukushima	For his tireless efforts and leadership in organizing numerous conferences and developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	AIST
May 2017	Tatsuki Ohji	For his outstanding leadership working with the Board , in organizing numerous conferences and developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society	AIST
May 2017	William Fahrenheitz	For his outstanding leadership working with the Board , the Journal , and in developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	Missouri University of Science & Technology
May 2017	Ivar Reimanis	For exceptional volunteerism and raising the global profile of the Society to new heights.	Colorado School of Mines
May 2017	Eugenio Zapata-Solvas	For outstanding leadership of the Society's first International Chapter in the UK .	Imperial College of London
May 2017	Mrityunjay Singh	For his outstanding Society leadership and vision, and in developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	Ohio Aerospace Institute
October 2016	Wayne Kaplan	For his tireless efforts and leadership in organization of numerous conferences and his outstanding efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	Technion - Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel
October 2016	Amar Bhalla	For exceptional volunteerism, dedicated service, leadership, and commitments to global outreach for the Society.	University of Texas at San Antonio
October 2016	Hisayuki Suematsu	For his outstanding contributions and leadership to many society conferences and professional outreach activities towards the global scientific community.	Nagaoka University of Technology, Japan
October 2016	Monica Ferraris	For her tireless efforts and leadership in organization of numerous conferences and developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	Politecnico di Torino, Italy
September 2016	Jerzy Lis	For his outstanding leadership and contributions to many society activities and developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	AGH University of Technology, Poland

June 2016	Paolo Colombo	For his tireless efforts and leadership in organization of numerous conferences and his outstanding efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society.	Università di Padova
June 2016	Zhengyi Fu	For his outstanding contributions and leadership in many Society activities and for his efforts in global collaboration and outreach.	Wuhan University of Technology
June 2016	Lionel Vayssieres	For his outstanding contributions and leadership to many Society conferences and professional outreach activities towards the global scientific community.	Xi'an Jiaotong Universtiy
April 2016	Janet Bailey	For Exceptional Volunteerism, Dedicated Service, and Commitments to Michigan/NW Ohio Section and the Society.	Michigan/Northwest Ohio Section
April 2016	Palani Balaya	For his outstanding efforts in developing global collaboration and outreach for the Society, and for his leadership in the organization of the Asia Pacific Ceramic Cooperation Summit .	National University of Singapore
April 2016	Yoon-Bong Hahn	For his vision, leadership, and tireless efforts in the joint development and implementation of ACerS-KICHe MOU and collaborative activities between both societies.	Chonbuk National University
March 2016	Paul Ormond	For his dedication to our Society, the Refractory Ceramics Division , and the St.Louis Section , for his many years of service, and for his continuing support of the ceramics community, including promoting ceramic education at the MS&T Materials Camps.	AluChem, Inc
March 2016	Patty Smith	For her dedication to our Society, the Refractory Ceramics Division , and especially the St. Louis Section , and for her years of past service and her continuing support of the ceramics community.	Missouri University of Science & Technology
December 2015	A.L. Shashi Mohan	For his vision and tireless efforts in the joint development and implementation of ACerS-InCerS MOU and collaborative activities between both societies.	The Indian Ceramic Society
December 2015	Lalit K. Sharma	For his active promotion of ACerS in India and his volunteer work for the Society, for his efforts on the ACerS-InCerS collaboration, and for his organization of the Global Leadership Round Table Summits in Ceramics.	Central Glass and Ceramic Research Institute