

The Academy of Geo-Professionals announces its' second induction ceremony

The Academy of Geo-Professionals will be holding its' second induction ceremony in Hershey, PA at the 24th Central Pennsylvania Geotechnical Conference on November 3rd at 5:30 PM. You are invited to attend if you are registered for the conference.

AGP was founded in October 2008 by members of ASCE's Geo-Institute. The Academy's main goal is to provide professional engineers an opportunity to gain further recognition in the broad field of geotechnical engineering by offering a voluntary, post-license credential. The credential provided is the Diplomate, Geotechnical Engineering (D.GE).

In March, the first group of Diplomates were inducted in a ceremony at the International Foundation Congress Equipment Expo (IFCEE '09) in Orlando, Florida. There were about 60 included in the first class. The next class will be inducted in November at the 24th Annual Hershey Geotechnical Conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania. The Academy anticipates at least doubling the number of current Diplomates.

Benefits of Earning a D.GE:

- Respected expertise
- Validated competence
- Heightened marketability
- Expand your professional network
- Advance your career
- Heightened recognition
- Increase your credibility
- Polish your leadership skills
- Increase your knowledge base
- Increase your earnings potential

“Earning a college degree in engineering is a significant accomplishment,” said Arlan Rippe, P.E., F.ASCE, D.GE, AGP president. “Specialty certification provides an advanced certificate of achievement, which greatly enhances the engineer's career development. It also gives the public further confidence in the competence of our geotechnical professionals.”

For more information about AGP, go to www.geoprofessionals.org. For more information about the 24th Central Pennsylvania Geotechnical Conference, please visit <http://www.central-pa-asce-geotech.org>.