



Australian Academy of  
Technology & Engineering



# BATTERHAM MEDAL

FOR ENGINEERING  
EXCELLENCE

**2019 NOMINATION GUIDELINES**



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## ELIGIBILITY AND NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES

- Candidates for the Batterham Medal must be nominated by an individual Proposer and an individual Seconder.
- One of these must be a professional engineer (a person with a graduate qualification in engineering from a recognised university or equivalent).
- Self-nominations will be excluded.
- The Proposer is to complete the 2019 Batterham Medal Nomination form and ensure all required supporting documents are legally certified, if required, and submitted by the closing time and date.
- The Seconder will support the nomination with a letter clearly indicating her/his detailed knowledge of the work for which the nomination has been made.
- The Referee for the application should be an industry or technical expert in the nominee's field who can comment on the nominee's signature contribution to the field. It is strongly encouraged that referees not be the nominee's direct supervisor or manager.
- Eligibility is limited to:
  - Graduates of Australian universities
  - Persons who are 40 years or under on the first day of the year in which the Award is made
    - 2019 Batterham Medal: age 40 years or under on 1 January 2019
    - Applicants who have experienced career interruptions due to family or carer responsibilities are eligible for an extension to this criterion, for the period equivalent to the interruption
  - The Nominee must acknowledge the nomination by signature, thus confirming the facts attested in the nomination (*electronic signature acceptable*)
  - Winners of other professional, state, national or international awards are eligible for the Batterham Medal, providing they meet all other eligibility criteria

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## ASSESSMENT CRITERIA AND SELECTION

- All eligible nominations for the Batterham Medal will be considered by the Batterham Medal Selection Committee.
- The Selection Committee will be drawn from leading engineering specialist members of the Australian Academy of Technology and Engineering and will include a nominee of the Go8 Deans of Engineering and Associates.  
The Selection Committee may seek assistance from appropriate learned specialists, professional associations or consultants.
- The Selection Committee will assess all eligible nominations against the following key criteria:
  - Have demonstrated excellence, innovation and impact in a field of engineering
  - Have clearly demonstrated a signature contribution to engineering in the five years prior to their nomination
  - Have advanced the standing of the engineering profession.Each sub criterion will be given equal weighting by the Selection Committee.
- The Selection Committee will, in its absolute discretion, select the proposed winner of the Batterham Medal on the basis of the key criteria. The Selection Committee's recommendation will be submitted to the Go8 Deans of Engineering and Associates for endorsement.
- The winner will be notified by the Academy by Friday 17 May 2019.

**ALL DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE BATTERHAM MEDAL SELECTION COMMITTEE SHALL BE FINAL AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE ENTERED INTO.**

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## OBLIGATIONS OF WINNER

Each nominee will give permission for details contained in the nomination to be released to the members of the Selection Committee (both those listed in the nomination form and external referees) for the purposes of the selection process.

Whenever such material is considered by the Selection Committee, this information and details of their deliberations and recommendations will remain confidential. The Nominee should note that a description of the work being acclaimed and images of the winner will be publicised.

The winner of the Batterham Medal will be expected to:

- Attend the award ceremony, which will be held at the Academy Innovation Dinner on Thursday 13 June in Sydney, and be available for any associated media activity.
- Participate in activities within 12 months of receiving the award to promote the importance of engineering to Federal and State Parliamentarians and administrators, and the technology and innovation communities, to reinforce with these communities the contribution engineering makes to Australia's reputation as a centre of technology and innovation leadership.
- Interact with the Academy Forums to promote the importance of engineering.
- Engage with the Go8 Deans of Engineering and Associates.

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## NOMINATION DOCUMENTS

The Proposer must complete and submit the following materials that constitute a complete nomination form, available from [www.applied.org.au](http://www.applied.org.au)

**Part A:** Proposer, Nominee and Seconder details

**Part B:** Application Executive Overview (*summary in 100 words or less*)

**Part C:** Selection Criteria

Criterion 1: Excellence, Innovation and Impact in a field of engineering (*500 word limit*)

Criterion 2: Have clearly demonstrated a signature contribution to engineering in the five years prior to their nomination. (*Referee Report attached*)

Criterion 3: Advanced the standing of the engineering profession (*500 word limit*)

**Part D:** Eligibility Criteria

Criterion 1: Graduate of an Australian university (*legally certified PDF evidence attached*)

Criterion 2: Age (*Legally certified PDF evidence attached. This includes evidence of career interruptions, if applicable, in the form of a letter from the nominee's employer(s) clearly stating the length and nature of the interruption*)

**Part E:** Proposer Statement (*300 word limit*)

**Part F:** Seconder Letter (*attached*)

**Part G:** Nominee Statement of Consent

*Note: Proposer and Nominee may be called upon by the Selection Panel to provide evidence of claims made within submitted documentation.*

*All attachments should be named clearly, for example: Batterham Medal Nomination Form\_CITIZEN, Jane. Incomplete Nomination submissions will not be considered.*

Only electronic submissions of nominations and attachments will be accepted.

In accordance with the Privacy Act, the Academy protects the privacy and security of information provided by you. By completing this form, you agree to the use of your personal information by the Academy for purposes related to the Batterham Medal award program; that Academy may contact you about our products and services; and that the Academy may use this information for internal purposes. If you do not wish to receive further information, please email [info@applied.org.au](mailto:info@applied.org.au) or call 03 9864 0900.

For advice or further information regarding nominations, contact:

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## LODGEMENT OF NOMINATIONS

The selection panel will only consider nomination material provided in the submitted nomination form by the closing date **12:00pm AEST Friday 5 April 2019**

Applications received after this time and date will not be considered.

Nominations must be lodged by email to: [batterham.medal@applied.org.au](mailto:batterham.medal@applied.org.au)

The Batterham Medal Selection Committee is of the view that the confidentiality of information exchanges must be strictly observed and its deliberations will remain confidential.

