



Jim Graham - nominated by the Canadian Geotechnical Society for the K.Y. Lo Medal

Service, training, mentoring and technology development have been hallmarks of Jim Graham's long and distinguished career. At the University of Manitoba since 1975, Jim is now Professor Emeritus. His service to the geotechnical community has included roles such as researcher, teacher, Editor of the Canadian Geotechnical Journal, and Vice-President, President and Secretary General of the Canadian Geotechnical Society. His leadership over the last decade is credited with the revitalization of the CGS and the rebuilding of its reputation and global connections.

Jim Graham's world-class research made fundamental advances in the area of critical state soil mechanics as applied to critical societal issues such as nuclear waste disposal. However, it has been his commitment to training throughout the world that has helped establish this technology in professional practice. Jim's contributions to training are marked by the depth of his technical expertise, his commitment to innovative teaching as well as personal, mentoring relationships with young engineers. He continues to lead innovative initiatives across the globe on geotechnical education and training.

Jim's commitment has resulted in many awards including the EIC's Stirling Medal and Fellowship status, the R.F. Legget Medal, the A.G. Stermac Award and the R.M. Hardy address from the Canadian Geotechnical Society, as well as the Medal for Engineering Education from the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers. Jim Graham continues to be one of the most influential Canadian geotechnical engineers overseas, an influence created by his service to the profession, world-class research, and passion for training and mentoring relationships. For Jim's significant contributions on the international stage, we are delighted this evening to celebrate with him as he receives this distinguished honour.

Ladies and gentlemen, Dr. Lo, and Mr. President, as the Recipient of the K.Y. Lo Medal, please welcome Jim Graham.