

Jerzy Floryan - nominated by the Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineering

Jerzy Floryan is a Professor in the Department of Mechanical and Materials Engineering at the University of Western Ontario where he has taught and conducted research since 1982. Jerzy has served the university with dignity and leadership throughout his career, and in 1996 was appointed Associate Dean, Academic, Engineering and Entrepreneurship, for a 5-year term. He was also instrumental in launching an innovative dimension to engineering undergraduate programs at the university that allowed students to complete a second degree from another faculty, the best known being "engineering and business", "engineering and law", "engineering and medicine" and "engineering and music". Thus far, the University of Western Ontario is the only university in Canada where a student can concurrently complete degrees in engineering and medicine, for example, in 7 years.

Jerzy Floryan is a distinguished academician working at the intersection of fluid mechanics and applied mathematics, where he brings the sophistication of the most modern mathematical methods and algorithms to the analysis of engineering problems. He has been the recipient of numerous awards for his research accomplishments including the Humboldt Research Award (Germany), Canada Research Chair, Senior NATO Research Fellow (France) and Science and Technology Agency Fellow (Japan).

Jerzy's activities on the international scene are concentrated on the mechanics community where he is a member of the National Canadian Mechanics Committee and Chair of the Organizing Committee for the 23rd Congress of the International Union of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics. He received a Fellowship from the ASME in 1999, and this evening we are pleased to honour this distinguished engineer and researcher by conferring upon him the title EIC Fellow.

Ladies & gentlemen and Mr. President, please welcome Jerzy Floryan as a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada.