

The Engineering Institute of Canada 2018 Award Citation – EIC Fellow



Brenda McCabe

Nominated by the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering

Dr. Brenda McCabe has a distinguished record of accomplishment as an educator and an academic leader at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering. As Vice-Dean, Graduate Studies, Professor McCabe initiated a new series of courses known as ELITE (entrepreneurship, leadership, innovation, and technology in engineering), which revitalized the MEng curriculum. As Chair of the Department of Civil Engineering from 2008-2013, she developed ways to enhance the student experience inside and out of the classroom, led the development of innovative educational initiatives, and enhanced the community spirit in the department. Brenda has also held several leadership roles within the Canadian Society for Civil Engineering, serving as Vice-President, Technical Divisions and Committees and Chair of the Construction Division.

Brenda is a Fellow of CSCE and received their Award of Excellence in 2005. She has also garnered several awards for her contributions to engineering education, including the Senior Women Academic Administrators of Canada Recognition Award and the University of Toronto's Joan E. Foley Quality of Student Experience Award. In 2012 she was named one of Canada's Clean50, a recognition of leaders in sustainability, for integrating sustainability as a core theme in the Civil Engineering curriculum.

Ladies and gentlemen, and Mr. President, please welcome Brenda McCabe as a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada.