



Happy Holidays from ISU-COT Dean Alp

As I write this message to you, I'm thinking of all of our students who will receive their degrees from the College of Technology this December and celebrate graduation during the winter commencement that will take place

virtually on Saturday, February 13, 2021. To see students reach these milestones is something I look forward to every year, and uniquely so in 2020. I have recorded a [special message](#) to graduates and hope to hear from you in the future.

Exciting things are happening in the College. Among a few of the highlights this fall, [we boosted freshman retention by 5%](#), secured accreditation from ABET for three additional undergraduate degree programs; Architectural Engineering Technology, Civil Engineering Technology, and Manufacturing Engineering Technology, earned [national recognition](#) for a new certificate in Emerging Energy Technology to retrain coal workers after plant closures, and welcomed new technology to our labs, including an impressive new [Modular Flight Deck aviation simulator](#).

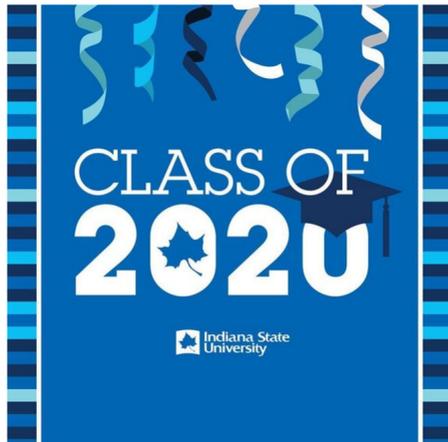
We did this all while the COVID-19 pandemic affected every part of our lives, still delivering on the scholarly and experiential learning opportunities that are the hallmarks of an ISU education. Thank you to all of our students, faculty, and staff, and to all of our alumni who give back in so many ways.

On behalf of the ISU College of Technology family, I wish you Happy Holidays and a great winter break! We look forward to seeing you back on campus or collaborating with you in 2021!

Happy Holidays,

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Congratulations, COT Graduates!

We would like to congratulate all of the students graduating December 2020. We wish you all the best in your next endeavors, and sincerely thank you for choosing ISU and the College of Technology. We would like to officially welcome you to join as a new graduate member of the [ISU Alumni Association](#)!



College of Technology Updates

The College of Technology is incredibly proud of our faculty and staff. We would like to give a very warm thank you and congratulations to the following faculty/staff for their recent accomplishments:

- Dr. Szufang Chuang was tenured and promoted to Associate Professor and is now serving as Department Chair for the Department of Human Resource Development & Performance Technologies (HRDPT).
- Dr. Tad Foster (HRDPT) is on phased retirement after serving as faculty and former Dean in the College.
- Mrs. Ann Mitchell - Department of Electronics and Computer Engineering Technology Administrative Assistant: University Medallion Award Recipient.
- Ms. Marti Mix - Ph.D. in Technology Management and College of Technology Dean's Office Administrative Assistant: 15 years at ISU.
- Dr. Farman Moayed has been appointed as Department Chair of the Built Environment (BE) Department.
- Dr. Amanda Muhammad (HRDPT) was promoted to Full Professor and also serves as the Faculty Fellow at the University College during the 2020-21 academic year.
- Mrs. Elaine Ross - Air Force ROTC Center Administrative Assistant: 15 years at ISU.
- Dr. Marion Schafer (Applied Engineering and Technology Management) is on phased retirement after 23 years of service as faculty and former Department Chair in the College.
- Dr. Alina Waite (HRDPT) is serving as the Faculty Fellow in the COT Dean's Office during the 2020-21 academic year.

'19-'20 Annual Report

The College of Technology Annual Report is available now. Click the picture or access it [here](#). Some highlights of the report include \$1.9M Gifts-in-Kind, an increase in student satisfaction, and national rankings of the Human Resource Development program. Included within the Annual Report are updates of the first year implementation of the Strategic Plan.



Annual COT Awards Program

With our spring reception for the [College of Technology Awards](#) cancelled due to the pandemic, the 2019-20 awards were presented to recipients individually this fall. Congratulations to faculty, staff, and students who received these well-deserved awards. Thank you for your hard work, dedication, and support to our College.

Upcoming Events

- Engineers Week - **February 21, 2021 - February 27, 2021**
- Give to Blue Day - **March 3, 2021**
- FIT for the Future Conference - **March 12, 2021**
- Annual COT Awards Program - **April 28, 2021**