

Melissa Besse '91

JOHN BOYNTON YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD FOR SERVICE TO WPI

Melissa Lichwan Besse, we honor you today for your achievements, as well as your continuing generosity and dedication to your alma mater.

You graduated from WPI with a bachelor's degree in management engineering. Soon after, you began working at Accenture, a global management consulting, technology services, and outsourcing company, with 223,000 people serving clients in 120 countries. You started as a consultant and became a manager. You now serve as a senior manager for the company.

Since your graduation, you have continued to stay active in service to the WPI community. Your generous financial contributions have made you a member of the President's Advisory Council as well as the President's Circle, WPI's society of leadership annual

donors. These contributions have helped provide the critical resources necessary each year to advance the mission of WPI. They enable the university to implement curricular innovations, keep

WPI's academic program on the cutting edge, and create more opportunities for our deserving students to discover, achieve, and lead.

You also have contributed your time to WPI. In August you hosted one of the Class of 2015 barbecues. These gatherings help students meet recent alumni,

along with future classmates and their parents, and find out what's in store for them as they enter WPI.

Melissa Besse, for these contributions, we are pleased to present you with the John Boynton Young Alumni Award for Service for WPI.

