

2014 Board of Trustees' Award for Outstanding Teaching Recipient

Sharon Wulf

Professor Sharon Wulf is in every respect an outstanding teacher and epitomizes the best qualities in teaching that we hold so dear at WPI.

Students and alumni consistently affirm that through her dedication, knowledge, patience and persistence, Professor Wulf has demonstrated an exceptional ability to inspire and educate her students, both inside and outside of the classroom. She creates an effective classroom environment conducive to learning. She motivates and inspires her students to achieve their potential and students routinely comment on the excitement and enthusiasm she brings to each class. One student appreciated “how much hope and optimism she has for each and every one of her students.” Professor Wulf brings this passion to all levels of teaching: to her introductory undergraduate classes, to her graduate courses, and to her qualifying projects. Professor Wulf also plays a significant role in her students’ intellectual and professional growth. One student commented that, “Professor Wulf has been one of the most influential people in my life.”

Professor Wulf stimulates the intellectual curiosity of her students by setting a high standard for achievement and encouraging students to actively take part in their own learning. Speaking about himself, one alumni praised her for “transform[ing] an unmotivated student resistant to learning into an active participant.” Another student explained that “without her guidance and experience I would not have accomplished as much as I have over my college years.”

Professor Wulf is truly deserving of this award for outstanding teaching through her dedication, enthusiasm and respect for her students.

The U.S. historian and educator Henry Adams wrote that “a teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops.” With this in mind, we proudly present the 2014 Board of Trustees Award for Outstanding Teaching to Professor Sharon A. Wulf.