

AIPG Honors & Awards

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Michael D. Campbell, CPG-3330 Texas Section

Michael Campbell truly deserves recognition from the American Institute for Professional Geologists for his efforts on behalf of all Texas and professional geologists nationwide. Michael has been a member of American Institute of Professional Geologists since the 1970's. He has brought the strength of his commitment

to the professional over the last several decades through his actions of volunteering and mentoring. In his work life, Michael personifies what it means to be a professional geologist because he has served as a mentor to generations of geologists, including me. Michael is an innovator: when many geologists were caught by a downturn in the oil and gas industry several decades ago, he developed a low-cost training program in Houston to introduce them to the fundamentals of the environmental arcna. I attended part of that training when I was unemployed in the Houston arca. Michael served as a catalyst by helping to train and provide encouragement for many geologists faced with making a career change within the wide variety of aspects in the geologic profession. Michael is an unusual leader because he not only identifies goals and people capable of achieving common goals, he participates in making them happen.

Michael is an early adopter when it comes to technology as he volunteered to develop and host the American Institute of Professional Geologists Texas section web pages in the mid 1990's. When the Texas section of the American Institute for Professional Geologists devolved over the past ten years, he drew on his vast network of geologists he had mentored over the decades and committed to kick starting the section back into existence and it is thriving once more. Michael called upon me to serve as a leader in Texas as well as devoting his own time over the past several years. Even now, Michael steps up to identify opportunities for the section and volunteers himself for tasks and gets them done, such as outreach to start or revitalize our commitment to student sections at the major Texas universities with geoscience programs. Inevitably, during our monthly teleconference meetings he guides the discussion with parry and thrust of an expert fencer; he knows when to talk about past efforts, to prod action, and when to move us on in our discussions to make our time spent productively and efficiently. He generates genuinely helpful ideas, suggestions, and plans to make the section move closer towards the level it should be performing.

I hope that you can see now that Michael is an exceptional person. in every task and job he takes on. These examples listed are only a few of the extraordinary efforts Michael has gone to in support of the geologic profession in Texas, the United States, and ostensibly, worldwide. I believe you will find Michael Campbell worthy of national-level American Institute for Professional Geologists recognition.



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Section Leadership Award

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Awarded to

Michael D. Campbell, CPG 3330

For long-term commitment and contributions to the AIPG Texas section.