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NCEES honors Washington professional engineer Chun Lau for service

Chun Lau, P.E., S.E., of Bellevue, Washington, has been awarded the NCEES Distinguished Service Award for his dedicated service to NCEES and the engineering and surveying professions. Lau was recognized August 16, 2024, during the organization's 103rd annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

Lau first began serving NCEES as a member of the Principles and Practice of Engineering Structural Exam Development Committee in 2004 and served on its most recent professional activities and knowledge study, or PAKS, committee. His past contributions include being a member of the Sustainable Buildings Task Force, the Committee on Examinations for Professional Engineers, the Committee on Examination Policy and Procedures, the Special Committee on Bylaws, and the Committee on Finances. Additionally, he served as a jury member for the NCEES Engineering Education Award in 2011. Lau served as 2016–18 Western Zone assistant vice president and received the Western Zone Distinguished Service Award in 2019. He is currently the Participating Organizations Liaison Council representative for the Structural Engineering Institute of ASCE.

Lau was chair of the Washington State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors in 2010–11 and 2015–16 and was vice chair in 2009–10 and 2014–15. Lau has served as a pro tem board member since 2020 and is an emeritus member. He has filled various roles for the board, such as standing committee chair and board observer for the ABET visitation team to the University of Washington.

With over 40 years of experience, Lau recently retired from Brown and Caldwell as managing principal. He is a registered structural engineer in California, Massachusetts, and Washington. Lau is an active member of the National Council of Structural Engineers Associations and the Structural Engineering Institute of ASCE. He is currently vice chair of the NCSEA Education Committee, a member of the NCSEA Licensure Committee, and chair of the SEI SE Licensure Committee.

ABOUT NCEES

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