UC Merced Professor Selected for Presidential Science and Engineering Award

Shawn Newsam, an assistant professor in the School of Engineering at the University of California, Merced, has been selected for a prestigious award from the White House.

The Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE) is bestowed by the president's Office of Science and Technology Policy on young researchers who have accomplished innovative research and community service. It is the highest honor bestowed by the United States government on young scientists and engineers, and Newsam is the first UC Merced faculty member to receive it.

"We are delighted at this high-level national recognition of Shawn Newsam's innovative research and great accomplishments and excited for the stature the award adds to our university," said Chancellor Steve Kang.

"Shawn's work in computer vision lies at the very forefront of research in this area, as recognized by this magnificent award," said Dean Jeff Wright of the UC Merced School of Engineering.

Read the complete press release from UC Merced at http://www.ucmerced.edu/news_articles/11012007_professor_selected_for_presidential.asp

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