



Professor Ronald W. Yeung, SNAME Fellow & Davidson Medalist, to be Honored at ASME-OMAE 2012 Conference



Prof. Ronald W. Yeung

On July 1-6, 2012, the 31st International Conference on Ocean, Offshore and Arctic Engineering ([OMAE 2012](#)) will host a Special Symposium on Offshore and Ship Hydrodynamics in honor of Professor Ronald W. Yeung of the University of California at Berkeley for his significant contribution in the subject areas. The venue will be in the Hotel Windsor Barra in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. A major objective of the Conference is to provide a forum to promote efforts and disciplines represented by each of the 13 Symposia, and to disseminate knowledge by presenting research results, new developments, and novel concepts in these disciplines.

The Symposium covers a broad spectrum of research topics in marine hydromechanics, in which Professor Yeung has made significant contributions ([see Technical Program overview](#)). It has 17 sessions, spanning the entire conference schedule, in order to accommodate the large number of peer-reviewed papers contributed by enthusiastic worldwide researchers wishing to honor him. The Symposium Coordinators are Professor Solomon C. Yim of Oregon State University, USA and Professor Sergio H. Sphaier of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Professor Yeung received his Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley in 1973 and taught at MIT's Ocean Engineering Department from 1973 to 1982. Prior to his doctoral studies, he worked at Litton Ship Systems, Culver City, California and was involved in the design of several classes of naval vessels. He joined the Faculty of the University of California at Berkeley in 1982 and has been a Distinguished Professor of Hydromechanics and Ocean Engineering since 1996. He was elected as a Fellow of SNAME in 1998. In 2004, he was awarded the SNAME Davidson Medal in recognition of his outstanding scientific accomplishments in ship research. A selected list of his publications is available under 'Ronald W. Yeung' in Wikipedia. Among the major awards he has received are: three Best-Paper Awards from ASME-OMAE Conferences from 1991 to 2009; Fulbright-Hays Senior Scholar of the Australian-American Education Foundation in 1981; Distinguished U.S. Scientist of the von Humboldt Foundation of Germany in 1988 and 1998; and the prestigious 2002-2003 Georg Weinblum Lectureship sponsored by the Schiffbaugesellschaft of Germany and the U.S. Naval Studies Board. In 2008, he received "The International Researcher Award" of the Brazilian Society of Marine Engineers (SOBENA) and was conferred an Honorary Professorship at Harbin Engineering University, China, in 2010. For more than two decades, he has served tirelessly as the faculty advisor of the *Cal*-SNAME student section. Technical papers of eight of his advisees have won the national SNAME Graduate Paper Honor Prize. A dedicated educator, he has mentored over 100 graduate students and visiting scholars; many of them are actively involved in the marine field worldwide.

Professor Yeung will be recognized at the OMAE honoring dinner on Tuesday, July 3 from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. SNAME members and friends and former students of him can join this special celebratory international gathering by registering for the dinner ([registration link](#)).

SNAME would like to congratulate Professor Ronald Yeung on his outstanding accomplishments!

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