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Academic Senate Honors Zvi Drezner

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Members of the university's Academic Senate honored one of their own Thursday, Oct. 24, when they applauded former senate member Zvi Drezner for being elected a fellow of the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences (INFORMS).



Zvi Drezner, professor emeritus of information systems and decision sciences

The professor emeritus of information systems and decision sciences was one of only 12 selected this year by the professional society for professionals in the field of operations research, management science and analytics. Fellows are recognized for outstanding achievement in five areas:

- Education in the field of operations research/management science
- Management of operations research/management science
- The practice of operations research/management science/analytics
- Research
- Service to INFORMS and the profession

Drezner, a renowned authority on location analysis and a prolific author, was honored for "seminal contributions to location theory and mathematical analysis in operations research." Fellows were honored at the organization's Fellows Luncheon and Ceremony in Minneapolis earlier this month.

A member of the campus faculty since 1985, Drezner has authored more than 200 papers on his research endeavors and has presented papers and talks in Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Denmark, Greece, Hong Kong, Portugal, Singapore and throughout the United States.

He was the recipient of the university's 2006 Outstanding Professor Award and a 2008 California State University Wang Family Excellence Award, as well as a 2005 recipient of the Lifetime Achievement in Location Analysis Award from INFORMS.

In addition, Drezner served as department chair for nine years, was a visiting professor at a number of institutions, including USC, Canada's McMaster University and Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, and served as a consultant to the South Coast Air Quality Management District and the governments of Ecuador and Bolivia.