2019 THOMAS P. MADDEN AWARD

The Thomas P. Madden Award honors a faculty member who excels at teaching first-year undergraduates, an area in which this year’s winner has distinguished herself, first as director of the First-Year Engineering Program and since 2016 as an assistant dean. In both roles, she has been a critical part of the team that designs and implements the two-course sequence introducing students to the College of Engineering. Her clarity, passion for engineering, and empathetic, student-centered style make her one of the most popular and effective teachers of these large, required courses. Moreover, she has been a leader in improving the courses, most recently undertaking a yearlong assessment that led to the incorporation of discernment material that has helped reduce the number of students who change majors after the first year. A scholar of engineering pedagogy, she is also a fierce advocate for women in engineering.

The University of Notre Dame is proud to present the 2019 Thomas P. Madden Award to

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