



## Cloud Leadership Awards

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**E&I ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF INAUGURAL CLOUD LEADERSHIP AWARDS**

*Winners recognized for innovative and effective use of cloud solutions in higher education*

**JERICO, N.Y.** – E&I Cooperative Services (E&I) announces the winners of their inaugural Cloud Leadership Awards. Winners were awarded during the EDUCAUSE 2017 Annual Conference reception held on November 2, 2017 in Philadelphia, P.A. Sponsored by Adobe, Cisco, Microsoft Azure, and CDW-G, the Cloud Leadership Awards honor the achievements of higher education institutions that have benefited students, teachers, administrators, and staff by using cloud solutions.

A total of 24 awards across six categories and 18 honorable mentions were given from nearly 100 nominations. Derek Masseth, *Deputy Chief Information Officer, Chief Technology Officer* at the University of Arizona and Ronald Kraemer, *Vice President for Information Technology, Chief Information and Digital Officer* at the University of Notre Dame were named the overall winners.

A complete list of award recipients by category is as follows:

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<b>Cloud Identity Access Management</b>	<b>Cloud Storage</b>	<b>Backup/Disaster Recovery</b>
Adelphi University; Pittsburgh State University; Stockton University; Valdosta State University	Arizona State University; California State University, San Bernadino; Lee College; University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Hamline University; Loyola Marymount University; University of Notre Dame; University of Arizona
<b>Hybrid IaaS/PaaS</b>	<b>Collaboration</b>	<b>Innovation</b>
Manhattan College; Oral Roberts University; The New School; University of California at Davis	Eastern Michigan University; George Washington University; Santa Clara University; University of Colorado	Ozarks Technical Community College; Southern State Community College; University of Massachusetts at Lowell; University of Pennsylvania

Honorable mentions were awarded to Auburn University, Binghamton University, California Institute of Technology, CSU Fullerton, Delaware Valley University, Fordham University, Gonzaga University, Houston Community College, Joliet Junior College, Pima Community College District, Santa Rosa Junior College, University of Alabama, University of California – Office of the President, University of Florida, University of Mississippi, University of New Mexico, University of Southern California, and University of Tulsa. Special recognition was also given to Santa Rosa Junior College and Houston Community College for the tremendous life-changing situations faced by many of their campus family.

“Technology is a critical area for our members and across the educational landscape,” said Tom Fitzgerald, CEO of E&I. “Cloud solutions have become especially important on campuses across the country. We commend these higher education institutions for their innovative efforts in this area, and are pleased to share with our members the achievements of these institutions so more can realize the positive impacts, increased efficiencies, and cost-savings behind cloud solutions.”

For full details about E&I’s inaugural Cloud Leadership Awards, and to bookmark your nomination for next year, please visit [www.cloudleadershipawards.com](http://www.cloudleadershipawards.com).

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