

St. Cloud State University's Distinguished Alumni Award



Each year, one outstanding alumnus is recognized for distinguished accomplishment in career and in service to society and the university. In 2005, that alumnus was from the College of Science and Engineering.

2005

Robert Voit, who majored in computer science and minored in aviation, graduated in 1983 and went on to become a pilot and entrepreneur. In 1991 he launched Jasc Software in Minneapolis, which produced the photo-editing software he created while working as a pilot. The software was the predecessor to the now famous Paint Shop Pro line of photo-editing software. By the time Jasc became a part of the Corel Corporation in October 2004, the Minneapolis company had grown to 120 employees with revenues of more than \$30 million. Jasc Software continues to win awards and receive recognition from respected authorities in the technology industry as well as from well-respected publications and consumer organizations.

College of Science and Engineering's Alumni Leadership Award



This award honors a COSE alumnus for outstanding achievement and leadership in his or her career.

2005

Keith Knutson earned bachelor's degrees in biology and chemistry from St. Cloud State College in 1965. He then taught high school biology before accepting an invitation to become the university's first graduate assistant and master's degree candidate in biology. He received that degree in 1967; in 1970 he attained a doctorate in zoology and bacteriology from North Dakota State University in Fargo. He subsequently returned to St. Cloud State to join the Department of Biological Sciences.

During his 31 years as a member of that department, he advised graduate students, brought many grants to the university and facilitated challenging research projects with industry, watershed districts, lake associations and the community. In addition to more than 80 published reports to industry and contractors on water quality studies conducted by Knutson and his students, he had numerous articles published in science journals. Knutson donated all of his consulting fees to St. Cloud State.

(Note: The College of Science and Engineering's leadership award was not bestowed in 2006.)

To nominate an alumnus for either of these awards, you may download the form at the following

Web site:

<http://www.stcloudstate.edu/alumni/downloads/AlumniAwardNomForm.pdf>

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