

SWDSI Lifetime Achievement Award

David E. Douglas, PhD



David Douglas, Emeritus Professor, has been an active member of Decision Sciences and Southwest Decision Sciences (SWDSI) since 1985. He retired August 2017 after 42 years on faculty with the University of Arkansas with his initial appointment in Industrial Engineering in 1975. He moved to what is now the Information Systems Department in 1978 and served as Department Chair from 1985 to 1997 and again as interim Department Chair in 2010. The Department implemented its PhD program and its Master of Information Systems program during his time as Department Chair. Dr. Douglas relished teaching, working with industry and applied research. He has taught in 5 different countries—Australia, China, France, Greece, and Vietnam. He is the recipient of several teaching and service awards. As Director of Enterprise Systems, he was instrumental in obtaining gifts in kind in excess of \$200 million from Enterprise Systems platform partners – IBM, Microsoft, SAP, Teradata and SAS. He received IBM Faculty Awards in 2007 and 2013 and

Teradata Pioneer Award in 2017. Publications have appeared in various journals including *Communications of the ACM*, *Decision Sciences Journal of Innovative Education*, *Ethics and Behavior*, the *Journal of Business Ethics*, the *Journal of Computer Information Systems*, the *Journal of Organizational and End User Computing*, *Information and Management*, and the *Journal of Management Information Systems*, as well as international, national and regional *Proceedings* of various Conferences.

David has been active in the Decision Sciences Institute DSI and Southwest Decision Sciences Institute as well as the Federation of Business Disciplines (FBD) since 1986. He has served in many capacities including President of SWDSI in 1996-97 and President of FBD in 2004-2005. He is the recipient of the SWDSI Outstanding Educator of the Year award in 2000 and the FBD Sam Bruno Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012. David continues to be involved with FBD and SWDSI focusing on data analytics.

Dr. Douglas received his PhD in Industrial Engineering from the University of Arkansas. He teaches in a wide variety of information systems areas with emphasis on data analytics, data mining, business intelligence, enterprise systems, and global IT. Research includes impact of data analytics and cognitive computing. He has taught in several countries and presents workshops worldwide. He has received a number of honors and awards including International Educator of the year (IACIS), 2010 Majdi Najm Outstanding Service Award (SAP University Alliances), IBM International Professor of the month, two IBM faculty awards and NSF co-principal investigator for Enterprise Computing Community. In addition to the Co-Director and Director positions at the University of Arkansas, Douglas serves on the Executive Committee of the Information Technology Research Institute as well as serving on the Teradata University Network Board, the SAP University Alliances Board and on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Global Communications*. His work with industry partners' results in hardware/software gifts valued at more than \$20 million dollars annually.

SWDSI is indebted to David for his many valuable years of service to our organization. He has always been a great mentor, colleague and friend.

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Michael E. Hanna, PhD



Dr. Michael E. Hanna is a Professor of Decision Sciences at University of Houston-Clear Lake (UHCL) and is retiring with over 38 years of dedication and service to academia. He holds a Ph.D. in Operations Research, an M.S. in Mathematics, and a B. A. in Economics from Texas Tech University. He has taught courses in statistics, management science, forecasting, and other quantitative methods. His dedication to the profession has been recognized by various awards, including the UHCL Beta Alpha Psi teaching award, the Beta Gamma Sigma Outstanding Scholar Award, and the UHCL President's Distinguished Service Award.

He has authored best-selling books in quantitative methods including the 13th edition of *Quantitative Analysis for Management*. He served as vice-president and member of the board of directors of the Decision Sciences Institute (DSI) and as President of the Southwest DSI. His research interests include applications of mathematical models to branches of business research.

Dr. Hanna has been an active member of Southwest Decision Sciences (SWDSI) since 1979 and a member of Decision Sciences Institute (DSI) since 1978. He served both the region and the institute in various capacities and his service and recognitions include the following:

- SWDSI Program Chair, President-Elect, and President in 1994
- SWDSI Outstanding Educator Award in 1996
- SWDSI Distinguished Service Award in 1997 SWDSI Archivist 2014 – 2018
- Chair and/or member of numerous SWDSI committees including Outstanding Educator Committee and Distinguished Service Award Committee on many occasions
- Regionally elected vice president of DSI
- Board of Directors of the Decision Sciences Institute (1999-2001 and 2003-2005)
- Member of DSI's Innovative Education Committee, Regional Advisory Committee, and Nominating Committee
- Chair and long-time member of the SWDSI Strategic Planning Committee

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