The H. L. Wakeland Undergraduate Leadership Award is given annually to a junior or senior student who has demonstrated outstanding leadership accomplishments. A minimum grade-point average of 3.0 is required, but the criteria for selection is based primarily on leadership accomplishments that have occurred during the student's undergraduate years. These activities can include university, campus, college, departmental, local, and community involvement. The evaluation considers the continuous participation and depth of leadership responsibility in the various activities that have been undertaken. The award involves a monetary component and an individual plaque, and the recipient's name is added to a permanent plaque located in the Office of the Associate Dean for Academic Programs.

Solicitation: The nominations for the Knights of St. Pat are used to select the recipient of the Wakeland Award.

Selection: Selection is made by the deans in the Office of Associate Dean for Academic Programs in late January.

Publication: February - Recipient is informed by letter from the associate dean for Undergraduate Programs.

Logistics: February/March - The editor in the Engineering Communications Office prepares the college awards convocation booklet, which will carry photo and biosketch of recipient. In addition to a cash award, the recipient is given a small individual plaque and his/her name is placed on the permanent memorial in Engineering Hall. Award is presented at the awards convocation in April. Recipient and family are invited to the awards luncheon by the associate dean for undergraduate programs.

Previous Recipients:
2016 Catherine McCarthy, AE  
2015 Marrissa Hellesen, CS  
2014 Connie H. Kim, IESE  
2013 Jaime Kelleher, MatSE  
2012 Kimberly Heinecke, ABE  
2011 Jonathan Naber, MSE  
2010 Claire Joseph, CEE  
2009 Elizabeth Brooks, ABE  
2008 Richard Erickson, IESE  
2007 Scott Banjavcic, CEE  
2006 Meena Babu, MatSE  
2005 Kyle Cline, ECE  
2004 Rachel Williams MatSE  
2003 Brian Lammert, CEE  
2002 David Nickell, CEE  
2001 Jennifer Brooks, ChBE  
2000 Samantha C. Sutton, ECE  
1999 Erica Messinger, ECE  
1998 Jennifer A. Rosen, ECE  
1997 Shunsuke Okubo, MIE  
1996 Andrea J. Culumber, MIE  
1995 Eric A. Hiller, MIE