



# NAI INVENTOR RECOGNITION PROGRAMS



## FELLOWS PROGRAM

Established in 2012, the NAI Fellows Program recognizes individuals whose patented innovations have made a longstanding and remarkable economic and societal impact. They are often recognized and celebrated as pioneers in their field. The election to NAI Fellow status is the highest distinction accorded solely to academic inventors. Fellows are considered to be experienced innovators, typically holding a median of 20 patents, and have often been honored by some of the most prestigious organizations within the innovation ecosystem. Every year, the newest class of NAI Fellows are recognized in the U.S. Congressional Record and their names permanently displayed on a plaque in the USPTO headquarters. They are also honored during the NAI Annual Conference, in which they are presented medals by the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO. With the addition of the newest class of Fellows in December 2022, the Fellows Program comprises 1,736 Fellows representing over 300 universities and non-profit research institutes worldwide.

- See the full 2022 class list of Fellows •
- Learn more about the Fellows Program •
- Search our Fellows Directory •

FELLOWS REPRESENT OVER

300

UNIVERSITIES, AND GOVERNMENTAL AND  
NON-PROFIT RESEARCH INSTITUTES

317

AIMBE FELLOWS

371

IEEE FELLOWS

56

INDUCTEES OF THE NATIONAL  
INVENTORS HALL OF FAME

68

U.S. MEDAL OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY,  
AND INNOVATION RECIPIENTS

324

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF  
ENGINEERING MEMBERS

230

AAA&S MEMBERS

204

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF  
SCIENCE MEMBERS

160

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF  
MEDICINE MEMBERS

500,000

HAVE INVOLVED OVER  
STUDENTS IN RESEARCH

1 MILLION

HAVE CREATED OVER  
JOBS

\$3 TRILLION

HAVE GENERATED OVER  
IN REVENUE

13,000

HAVE GENERATED OVER  
LICENSED TECHNOLOGIES

51

NOBEL  
LAUREATES



In December 2022, 169 distinguished Fellows were elected into the Academy. They were honored in the Fellows Induction Ceremony held during NAI's 12th Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. in June, 2023.

View pictures from the Fellows Induction Ceremony •



## SENIOR MEMBER PROGRAM

NAI Senior Members Recognition Program was introduced in 2018 and recognizes individuals affiliated with NAI Member Institutions whose success in patented innovations has created, or has the potential to create, tangible societal impact. The naming of NAI Senior Members is an exclusive opportunity afforded solely to NAI Member Institutions to recognize and honor their inventors at a national level. Senior Members are typically active scientists, faculty, or administrators who are considered early-stage innovators and are recognized as rising leaders in their field. Today, Senior Members include 429 emerging innovators holding over 5,500 patents. The 2023 class of Senior Members, composed of 95 individuals, was selected in February and was honored during the Senior Member Induction Ceremony at NAI's 12th Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. in June 2023.

- See the full 2023 class list of Senior Members •
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HOLD OVER  
5,500  
PATENTS



429

SENIOR MEMBERS

108

REPRESENTING OVER  
UNIVERSITIES AND  
RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

1,700

LICENSED TECHNOLOGIES



View pictures from the Senior Member Induction Ceremony •