2009 Award Recipient

Warren D. Smale '94

John Boynton Young Alumni Award for Service to WPI

Warren Smale, you are a role model for our students of how to remain connected and involved with the life of WPI after graduation.

Since earning your bachelor's degree in actuarial mathematics, you have remained an active member of the Class of 1994. Indeed, when it comes to Reunion planning and fundraising, you've been among the first to volunteer your time and talent. Your leadership includes 15 years of service on the Class Board of Directors, helping guide the strategic direction of your class, and three years on the Alumni Council. As an Alumni Admissions volunteer, you have taken up the critical work of helping WPI recruit the highest caliber students who will succeed at the university. Your work with your fraternity, from fundraising and construction of the house at 30 Dean Street, through your continuous service on the Pi Zeta of Lambda Chi Alpha Housing Corporation, reflects your commitment to maintaining lifelong relationships with the greater WPI community.

Your steadfast involvement with WPI began while you were a student. Determined to make the most of your years on campus, you were a member of the Actuarial Club, French Circle, Math Club, and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. You served as president of student government and learned firsthand, as a member of the Student Alumni Society, the importance of alumni involvement. You also exemplified service and achievement as a M*A*S*H tutor, and member of Alpha Chi Omega, Pi Mu Epsilon, and Tau Beta Pi honor societies, graduating with high distinction as an International Scholar.

You have always found time for your alma mater, even with the demands of developing your career. You have held several management positions at MetLife and went on to consulting through Sapphire Technologies and Task Management, Inc. You illustrate the abilities of WPI graduates to navigate the changing needs of employers, leveraging your actuarial background, transitioning to roles as a technologist, and currently leading software development as vice president and applications manager at Bank of America Merrill Lynch. Through your leadership in your field, you bring pride to WPI.

Warren Smale, we honor you today for the example you set for our students and for all you do on behalf of your alma mater. We are pleased to present you with the John Boynton Young Alumni Award for Service to WPI.