2002 Award Recipient

Donald P. Zereski Jr. ’87

Donald Zereski, beginning your career as a WPI legacy, earning both your bachelor’s and master’s degrees in electrical engineering, you became a veteran of Web technology, working your way to where you are today-CEO of StreetMail, an e-mail service with over a million subscribers that uses Web technology to connect people to their communities.

During the course of your career, you have served as vice president of community and communications products at Lycos, where you were responsible for the ongoing operation of the company’s community and communication Web sites, including Angelfire, HTMLGear, MailCity, and Lycos chat clubs and message boards. You also built two successful properties, Intellicast and Tripod.

You led the creation of Intellicast, one of the Web’s first commercial weather sites, taking it from conception to reality, where it would become a top-10 news and entertainment site.

Joining Tripod in 1997, you filled several roles, including vice president of technology and, more recently, general manager. You built and managed its software development and site operations staff, and successfully steered its technology through a two-year period of extraordinary growth that saw Tripod develop from a small community property into one of the world’s ten most visited Web sites.

Don Zereski, for your exemplary record of achievement in bringing new and innovative uses of Web technology into the mainstream, WPI is honored to present you with the Ichabod Washburn Young Alumni Award for Professional Achievement.