**MIT School of Architecture and Planning**

**News announcement template: Awards**

**HEADLINE: Include both a main headline (HED) and sub-headline (DEK). The reader should get be able to understand the overall story from the main headline.**

**HED:** Professor J. Meejin Yoon Receives 2016 ACADIA Teaching Award of Excellence

**DEK:** Award recognizes academic leadership and professional practice

**PARAGRAPH 1: State the award and the winner, identifying the person or team as faculty, students, or alumni. Add quote from jury, if appropriate.**

Professor and Architecture Department Head J. Meejin Yoon has been awarded the 2016 Association for Computer Aided Design in Architecture (ACADIA) Teaching Award of Excellence. The jury cited Yoon’s “innovative and critical pedagogical approach to integrating new ideas, techniques and technologies into her teaching and research. This approach is supported by excellence in academic leadership, scholarship and professional practice.”

**PARAGRAPH 2: Go into detail. Describe who won and add some context. Be brief and factual.**

Yoon’s academic and professional work, as a principal of Boston-based Höweler + Yoon, investigates the intersections between design, technology, and public space. At MIT, Yoon organized [Design across Scales](http://news.mit.edu/2014/design-across-scales-multimedia-class), a course taught with Professor Neri Oxman in which students from across the Institute explore relationships among design, science, and technology while developing methods for collaborative design research. Yoon also led efforts to create a [Design Minor](https://architecture.mit.edu/architectural-design/news/new-design-minor-d-minor-launch-fall-2016) in the Department of Architecture that will open to all MIT undergraduates in fall 2016.

**PARAGRAPH 3: Add additional relevant information, such as other categories of awards and winners, or put information on the awarding organization here. If need be, use multiple short paragraphs rather than one large paragraph.**

Award recipients in other categories include Virginia San Fratello and Ron Rael, Charles Eastman, Andrew Payne, and the Centre for Information Technology and Architecture at the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts. ACADIA is an international network of digital design researchers and professionals focused on the role of computation in architecture, planning, and building science.

**PARAGRAPH 4: Offer a concluding paragraph that provides a comfortable ending. Possibilities include giving detailed information about the awards ceremony and any related events; referring to related awards; or inserting a description of SA+P or the awarded department/program.**

The awards ceremony will take place during the 2016 ACADIA International Conference, “Posthuman Frontiers: Data, Designers, and Cognitive Machines,” at the University of Michigan’s Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning in Ann Arbor on October 27–29, 2016.