2019 H.O. Hartley Award Recipient
Dr. Yehua Li

Dr. Yehua Li is the 2019 recipient of the H.O. Hartley Award given by the Texas A&M Department of Statistics. The H.O. Hartley Award is given annually to a former student of the Department of Statistics at Texas A&M University for distinguished service to the discipline of statistics.

Yehua is currently a tenured Full Professor in Department of Statistics at University of California at Riverside. Yehua received his Ph.D. in Statistics from Texas A&M University in 2006, co-advised by Professor Raymond Carroll and Professor Tailen Hsing. Since then, he has worked as Assistant, Associate and Full Professor at the University of Georgia (UGA), Iowa State University (ISU) and the University of California.

Yehua has built an outstanding career and made significant contributions in statistical education, statistical methodology research and general service to the statistical community. For his accomplishments in research, he received a NSF Early CAREER Award in 2012 and an Iowa State University Award for Early Achievement in Research in 2015. Additionally, following Dr. Hartley's tradition, Yehua has also done extensive interdisciplinary research, putting his statistical knowledge in use for real scientific applications. His efforts were exemplified by his collaboration with kinesiology researchers in ISU, which resulted in a $3.3 million R01 grant from NIH with Yehua serving as the co-PI.

In summary, Yehua has made outstanding contributions to Education, Research and Services both within and beyond the statistical community. His achievements have been well recognized by the various awards he has received and his editorial work in flagship statistical journals. He will undoubtedly make more significant contribution to the statistical society in the future.

Yehua is an example of the outstanding graduates of the Department of Statistics at Texas A&M University, and is an excellent choice for the 2019 H.O. Hartley Award.