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# Professor Costas Synolakis

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Newly elected to the  
National Academy of Engineering



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congratulates Costas Synolakis of the Sonny Astani Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering for his election as a member of the National Academy of Engineering. Election to the National Academy of Engineering is one of the highest

professional honors for an engineer.

Synolakis is an internationally acclaimed scholar focusing on the impact of natural hazards. His research into the causes and effects of tsunamis and extreme flooding events has played an important role in influencing policy decisions and disaster recovery programs worldwide. His current work focuses on understanding unusual

tsunami amplification phenomena and the impact of a changing climate upon extreme weather events. He has received the two primary awards of the American Society of Civil Engineers: the 2015 Moffat and Nichol Coastal Engineering Award and the 2019 International Coastal Engineering Award.

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