

Luo Promoted to Distinguished University Professor

Last month, Alan was recognized for his invaluable contributions and received from The Ohio State University [The Distinguished University Professor Award](#). This permanent, honorific title is the highest faculty honor awarded by the university for accomplishments in teaching, research, and societal impacts. It is awarded annually to up to six tenure-track professors who have been at Ohio State for at least five years. Distinguished University Professors automatically become members of the President's and Provost's Advisory Committee.

A trailblazer in lightweight materials and advanced manufacturing, Alan has reshaped how new alloys are conceived, engineered and brought into industrial use. His work has accelerated the development of light metals that improve efficiency and sustainability across the automotive and transportation sectors. Since joining Ohio State in 2013, he has led collaborative efforts that connect materials research with real-world manufacturing challenges.



Featured with Alan from left to right are: Dr. Trevor Brown, OSU Provost, and OSU President, Dr. Ravi Bellamkonda.