Marc Maguire, assistant professor of civil and environmental engineering at Utah State University, was named Educator of the Year by the Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute. He received the award at the 2017 PCI Committee Days and Membership Conference in Rosemont, Ill., on October 6.

The award recognizes engineering, architecture and construction technology educators who make significant contributions to the precast/prestressed concrete industry in their early careers in academia.

PCI spokesperson Alex Morales says Maguire has demonstrated sustained activity within the organization since he officially joined in 2013. Maguire has served on three PCI committees including the Journal Advisory Committee, Precast Wall Panels and the Bridge committee.

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Maguire was first introduced to PCI as a graduate student of Dr. George Morcous and Dr. Maher Tadros at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and originally funded through the Daniel P. Jenny Fellowship program.

Maguire is actively involved in public outreach programs involving youth and engineering education. He has lead a middle school program called Concrete for Kids that introduces concrete mixing and testing concepts to young people; and he is actively involved in an engineering summer camp program called Engineering State.

Maguire was the USU Civil and Environmental Engineering Department undergraduate research advisor of the year and graduate mentor of the year in 2015 and 2016, respectively. He is currently working with the Portland Cement Association on thermal and structural efficiency of concrete sandwich panels.