June 26, 2019 — Utah State University College of Engineering alumnus Saleh Taghvaeian will receive the Larry W. Turner Young Extension Professional Award from the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers. The award will be presented July 10 at the organization’s annual conference in Boston.

Taghvaeian received a PhD in irrigation engineering from USU’s Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering where he was a research and teaching assistant at the Remote Sensing Services Lab and the Utah On-Site Wastewater Treatment Program. He now works as an assistant professor and extension specialist in water resources at the Department of Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering at Oklahoma State University.

His main responsibility is working with Oklahoma producers to address current and emerging water management challenges including drought-induced water scarcity and the adoption of precision irrigation management techniques.

The award recognizes excellence in personal character and outstanding achievement through serving clientele by disseminating, sharing and applying engineering knowledge; motivating clientele to acquire new knowledge, skills and understanding; transferring research technology into practical, problem-solving applications; and advancing the profession of agricultural and biological engineering.

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