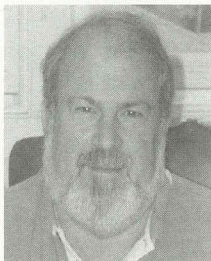


DEPARTMENT HONORS ALUMNI

Every year, the department honors two of its alumni—one each from industry and academia—celebrating their accomplishments and providing our current students with exemplary role models.

Michael F. Hoover

Since graduation, Michael has made tremendous contributions in the areas of engineering geology. Over the years he has hired several UCSB graduates and has collaborated with graduate students on their research. In particular Mike made significant contributions to the seismic assessment of the city and county of Santa Barbara.

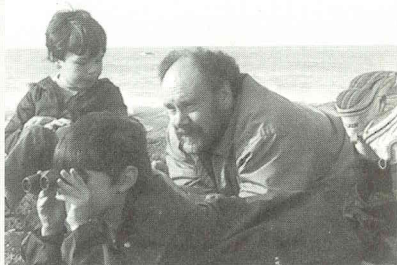


Michael Hoover

During the past thirty years he has supervised and completed over 600 projects on groundwater hydrology, engineering geology, soils engineering, environmental pollution clean up and regulatory compliance of solid waste facilities. Under Mike's supervision, over 300 water supply and ground water monitoring wells have been drilled and completed.

Mike's hobbies include architecture, and he has designed and constructed and remodeled five homes and two commercial projects. One of his projects appeared in Santa Barbara Architecture and was honored by the Pearl Chase Society Historical Homes. The Department of Geological Sciences is very proud of Mr. Hoover's achievements.

John P. Platt



John with his two sons Jason and Daniel

John is the Yates-Goldsmid Professor of Geology with the Department of Geological Sciences, University College, London. John has made significant contributions in his research areas that include mechanics of crustal deformation at convergent boundaries. His research approach is often interdisciplinary and involves mechanics of large-scale systems such as thrust belts or collisional plateaux, but also includes microscale analysis of deformational mechanisms with implications for rock mechanics.

John has received awards including the Best Paper Award in Structural Geology and Tectonics by the Geological Society of America in 1989 and the Supernumerary Fellowship of St. Anne's College, Oxford, 1995. He has served as the associate editor for the Journal of Structural Geology and the Editorial Board of Geology. Finally, John is the author or co-author of over sixty research papers, and edited three books. John's record is truly outstanding and we are very proud of his achievements.