



honoring state  
and national  
award winners  
and finalists and  
their mentors

# Awards

STATE & NATIONAL

RECOGNITION 2021

Spring 2021

# ANNUAL Awards RECEPTION

Dear Nationally Recognized Awards Recipients and Distinguished Mentors:

Usually at this time of year, we would hold our office's Annual State and National Awards Reception with more than 300 students, parents, and family members in the audience. The provost and the Office of Nationally Competitive Awards team would present you with awards signifying both our admiration for and appreciation of your efforts. But nothing has been usual this year. Many of us have been working and learning remotely. Many special opportunities that you would normally have engaged in this spring have been cancelled or delayed due to covid-19 concerns. Our event, like all large gatherings this spring, has also been put on hold. While this has been a challenging spring, our students, faculty, and staff members have an indomitable spirit. We are delighted to be able to celebrate your accomplishments in print if not in person. It has been a terrific year for our students and for the faculty and staff who support them. This booklet celebrates the excellent work of over 300 students, mentors, and team advisors. University of Arkansas students received nearly \$2 million in competitive scholarships, fellowships, grants, and internships during the 2020-2021 academic year. These awards at both the state and national levels were earned on the basis of academic achievement, research, and community involvement. Many students will use this funding to help pay for either undergraduate studies or future graduate work. Recipients, however, win far more than recognition and funding. These awards help them realize important goals as they move toward careers in business, STEM fields, medicine, international relations, architecture, social sciences, and the arts and humanities.

Many of the students in this booklet have competed nationally as a member of a team, bringing credit to themselves, to their colleges, and to the University. Wherever their careers take them, these students want to make real contributions to their disciplines and to their communities.

To achieve such success, these excellent students work collaboratively with talented, well-known faculty members, who are generous with their time and support, year after year. It is a winning combination. The Office of the Provost and the Office of Nationally Competitive Awards are pleased to celebrate these accomplishments. We hope this celebrative moment finds you happy and healthy as the semester draws to a close.

Sincerely,

Suzanne McCray  
Vice Provost for Enrollment  
Director of the Office of Nationally Competitive Awards

**WELCOME**

[Suzanne McCray](#), Vice Provost for Enrollment and Director of Nationally Competitive Awards

**UNDERGRADUATE ENGAGEMENT & FACULTY SUPPORT**

[Charles F. Robinson](#), Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs

**2021 STAFF GOLD MEDALS**

Vicky Hartwell – Director of Graduate Fellowships and Student Support, Graduate School and International Education

Monica Moore – Director of Premedical and Healthcare Planning, Honors College

**2021 FACULTY GOLD MEDALS**

Edvan Brito – Assistant Professor, Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

Kristofor Brye - University Professor, Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences

Kimberly Frazier - Associate Professor, College of Education and Health Professions

Arya Gaduh - Associate Professor, Walton College of Business

Jim Gigantino - Professor, Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

Kelly Sullivan - Associate Professor, College of Engineering

**2021 DEPARTMENTAL GOLD MEDAL**

Program in Communication Sciences and Disorders

***CONGRATULATIONS FROM THE OFFICE OF NATIONALLY COMPETITIVE AWARDS TEAM***

Jonathan Langley, Associate Director

Emily Wright, Associate Director

Breanna Carter, Graduate Assistant

Anthony Azzun, Visiting Advisor

Courtney Hill, Visiting Advisor

Danielle Neighbour, Visiting Advisor

Mariel Williams, Visiting Advisor

**ACHIEVING WOMEN'S EXCELLENCE IN SUPPLY CHAIN OPERATIONS, MANAGEMENT & EDUCATION**

Excellence in Education Scholarship

Natalie Frauenheim - Finance, Supply Chain Management

*Stephanie Thomas*

**AGHERITAGE FARM CREDIT SERVICES**

University Scholarship

Caleb Swears - Agricultural Business, Crop Science

*Jeff Miller*

**AGRICULTURE FUTURE OF AMERICA**

Leader and Academic Scholarship

Kelby Biswell - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology; Horticulture, Landscape and Turf Sciences

*Cassandra Cox*

Katie Gardner - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology;  
Agricultural Business

*Jill Rucker*

Sara Gardner - Agricultural Business, Business Economics

*Lanier Nalley*

Anna Mathis - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Jill Rucker*

Madison Price - Agricultural Business

*Jill Rucker*

**AGRICULTURAL RELATIONS COUNCIL AWARD**

Jessica Wesson - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Cassandra Cox*

**ALPHA LAMBA DELTA**

Jo Anne J. Trow National Scholarship

Ashley Lieber - Physics

*Julia Kennefick*

**ALPHA PI MU**

Academic Scholarship

Jaclyn Walls - Industrial Engineering

*Kelly Sullivan*

Balachandran Service Scholarship

Madeline Suellentrop - Industrial Engineering

*Sarah Nurre Pinkley*

**AMAZON INTERNSHIP**

Taylor Caudle - International Business

*Joshua Wright*

**AMAZON PRIME VIDEO INTERNSHIP**

Andrew He - Computer Science, Finance

**AMERICAN ADVERTISING FEDERATION SCHOLARSHIP**

Alexis Campbell - Journalism

*Jee Young Chung*

**AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL EDITORS' ASSOCIATION, THE AG COMMUNICATORS NETWORK**

Internship

Jessica Wesson - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Cassandra Cox*

**AMERICAN COUNCIL OF TEACHERS OF RUSSIAN**

Honorable Mention, National Post-Secondary Russian Essay Contest

Anna Rumpz - History, International and Global Studies

*Nadja Berkovich*

Russian Scholar Laureate Award

Shannon Wilson - International and Global Studies, Political Science

*Nadja Berkovich*

**AMERICAN KINESIOLOGY ASSOCIATION**

Honorable Mention, National Undergraduate Scholar Award

Madeline Amos - Kinesiology

*Nicholas Greene*

**AMERICAN ORGANIZATION OF TEACHERS OF PORTUGUESE**

2nd Place, Portuguese National Competition

Ben Sawyers - Journalism

*Edvan Brito*

3rd Place, Portuguese National Competition

Tyler Costello - International and Global Studies

Nayeli Perez - Psychology

*Edvan Brito*

*Edvan Brito*

*\*Mentors are indicated in the program by italics.*

**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL AND BIOLOGICAL ENGINEERS**

1st Place, Gunlogson Environmental Student Design Open Competition

Brynn Bodwell - Biological Engineering

Kanaan Hardaway - Biological Engineering

Kira Simonson - Biological Engineering

Clare Yurchak - Biological Engineering

*Benjamin Runkle, Kieu Le*

**ANIMAL SCIENCE ACADEMIC QUADRATHLON**

Winner

Laykyn Rainbolt - Animal Science

*Janeal Yancy*

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF AMERICA**

Jane Waldbaum Field School Award

Claire Campbell - Classical Studies

*Rhodora Vennarucci*

**ARKANSAS 4-H GOVERNOR'S AWARD**

Isabella Norsworthy - Horticulture, Landscape, and Turf Sciences

*Margaret Worthington*

**ARKANSAS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE**

1st Place, Undergraduate Poster in Computer Science

Alaina Edwards - Mathematics, Physics

John McGarigal - Mechanical Engineering

*Tulin Kaman*

**ARKANSAS FARM BUREAU**

Public Policy Internship

Caleb Swears - Agricultural Business, Crop Science

*Jeff Miller*

Public Relations Internship

Ashlyn Ussery - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Jeff Miller*

**ARKANSAS FFA**

President

Brooke Bradford - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Jill Rucker*

Vice President, Northwest District

Abigail Norsworthy - Agricultural Business, Crop Science

*Melinda Dunlap*

**ARKANSAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

Violet B. Gingles Award

Jacob Huneycutt - History, International and Global Studies

*Jim Gigantino*

**ARKANSAS STATE 4-H**

Delta District Vice President

Noralee Townsend - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Jill Rucker*

1st Vice President

Sierra Burnett - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Cassandra Cox*

**AYDELOTT PRIZE**

David Sweere - Architecture

*Noah Billig*

**BELTWISE COTTON CONFERENCE, WEED SCIENCE SECTION**

1st Place, Poster Competition

Lawson Priess - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

2nd Place, Ph.D. Oral Presentation Competition

Mason Castner - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

2nd Place, Poster Competition

Mason Castner - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

## 2021 ANNUAL STATE AND NATIONAL AWARDS RECOGNITION

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### 3rd Place, M.S. Oral Presentation Competition

Jacob Fleming - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

### 3rd Place, Ph.D. Oral Presentation Competition

Lawson Priess - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

### 3rd Place, Poster Competition

Rodger Farr - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

### **BENJAMIN A. GILMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Jawad Almandri - Communication

Chloe Bevenue - Political Science

Elyse Cano - Journalism/Political Science

Raechal Garner - Accounting, Finance

Veronica Gibson - Accounting, Finance

Nathan Hubbard - International and Global Studies

Momina Meer - International and Global Studies

Virginia O'Connor - Anthropology

Aashiyana Patel - Nursing

Tylor Rea-Garibay - International and Global Studies, Asian Studies

Raquel Thompson - Marketing

Trinity Walker - Psychology, Spanish

Barrett Weidman - Chemical Engineering, German

*Sarah Malloy, Megan Hull, Veronica Mobley, Brian Poepsel, Katie Sabo*

*Jared Phillips*

*Jessica Kowalski*

*Yoko Hori*

*Bill Levine*

*Fernando Riva, Ed Clausen*

*Tulin Kaman*

### **BLUE WATERS STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Alaina Edwards - Mathematics, Physics

John McGarigal - Mechanical Engineering

### **CENTRAL STATES REGION OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

#### Honor Award

Jacob Costello - Landscape Architecture

Jerry Ferreira - Landscape Architecture

*Ken McCown, Scott Biehle*

*Carl Smith*



Ben Magee - Landscape Architecture  
Tamsan Mora - Architecture

*Ken McCown, Scott Biehle  
Ken McCown, Scott Biehle*

**CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION OF THE MIDDLE WEST AND SOUTH**

**Best Undergraduate Poster Award**

Kelsey Myers - Classical Studies, History

*Rhodora Vennarucci*

**Undergraduate Field School Award**

Claire Campbell - Classical Studies

*Rhodora Vennarucci*

**CLINTON GLOBAL INITIATIVE UNIVERSITY**

Briana Roden - Supply Chain Management

*Angela Oxford*

Coleman Warren - Industrial Engineering, Political Science

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF FOUNDATION**

**Go Teach Scholarship**

Alyssa Lemon - Childhood Education

*Krista Smith*

**COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SUMMER PUBLIC HEALTH SCHOLARS PROGRAM**

Jack West - Biology, History

*Zac Brown*

**CRITICAL LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP**

Rome Hernandez Morgan - Creative Writing

*Edvan Brito, Geoffrey Brock*

Lucas Ros - International and Global Studies, Spanish

*Nadja Berkovich*

Vasantha Sambamurti - Creative Writing

*Padma Viswanathan*

Spencer Hazeslip - Chemistry, Spanish

*Nadja Berkovich*

**DANIELS FUND SCHOLARSHIP**

Addison Puffer - Finance

**DEFENSE LANGUAGE AND NATIONAL SECURITY EDUCATION OFFICE**

Project Global Officer

Reyna Chambers - Asian Studies, International and Global Studies

Katy Kelly - Journalism/Political Science

*Brian Capps*

**DOW JONES NEWS FUND**

Internship Program

Mary Hennigan - Journalism

Sarah Komar - Journalism

*Rob Wells*

*Brandon Bouchillon*

**ETA SIGMA PHI**

H.R. Butts Field School Award

Claire Campbell - Classical Studies

*Rhodora Vennarucci*

**FARM CREDIT ASSOCIATIONS OF ARKANSAS AND THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

Homegrown by Heroes Scholarship

Taylor Brandt - Food Science

*Rosa Buescher*

**FULBRIGHT U.S. STUDENT PROGRAM - ENGLISH TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP**

John Gairhan - African and African American Studies, History, Political Science

*Todd Cleveland, Noah Pittman*

Alternate

Bailey Arnold - Information Systems

Jacob Condran - History, International and Global Studies, Political Science

*Li Yang*

*Laurence Hare*

Semi-Finalist

Alyssa Busbee - Elementary Education

Grayson Goyer - International and Global Studies, Political Science

Lane Justus - Biology, Latin American and Latino Studies, Political Science, Spanish

*Michael Daugherty*

*Brett Sterling*

*Fernando Riva, Angel Ruiz-Blanco,*

*Christian Tipsmark, Corinna Hanson*

*Nancy Arenberg, Edvan Brito*

*Laurence Hare, Ram Natarajan*

Alexis Loyola Garcia - Interdisciplinary Studies

Megan Rodgers - International and Global Studies, Political Science, Spanish

Lucas Ros - International and Global Studies, Spanish  
Kylie Stancliffe - Social Studies Education  
Rebecca Yeager - Elementary Education

*DeDe Long  
Jason Endacott  
Marcia Imbeau*

**FULBRIGHT U.S. STUDENT PROGRAM - STUDY/RESEARCH AWARD**

**Alternate**

Jacob Huneycutt - History, International and Global Studies

*Jim Gigantino*

**Semi-Finalist**

Kelly Dundon - Social Work  
Alexandria McLeod - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Kim Stauss  
Casandra Cox, Jeff Miller*

**FUTURE INVESTIGATORS IN NASA EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY GRANT**

Paul Bonney - Physics

*Julia Kennefick*

**GILMAN-MCCAIN SCHOLARSHIP**

Cecellia Musgrove - Architecture

**GOVERNOR ASA HUTCHINSON**

**Internship**

Logan Moss - Agricultural Business, Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology *Casandra Cox*

**GOVERNOR'S CUP**

**1st Place, High Growth/Technology Division**

Angela Gardner - Business Administration  
Katrina Michael - Biomedical Engineering  
Hayden Proctor - Business Administration  
Neil Ross - Business Administration  
Giselle Toledo - Materials Science

*Sarah Goforth, David Hinton*

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1st Place, High Growth/Technology Division, Elevator Pitch  
Molly Bombonato - Business Administration

*Sarah Goforth, David Hinton*

1st Place, Small Business Division  
Coleman Warren - Industrial Engineering, Political Science

*Sarah Goforth*

2nd Place, High Growth/Technology Division  
Grayson Morrow - Finance  
Emily Wiencek - Business Administration

*Sarah Goforth, David Hinton*

### **HEWLETT-PACKARD INTERNSHIP**

John McGarigal - Mechanical Engineering

*Tulin Kaman*

### **HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND SCHOLAR PROGRAM**

Finalist

Fernanda Alcantara - Political Science, Psychology

*Xavier Medina*

### **IDEA NETWORK OF BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH EXCELLENCE**

Joshua Adams - Biomedical Engineering

*Linda Larson-Prior*

### **INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERS REGION 5 CONFERENCE**

2nd Place, Research Writing

David Desrochers - Electrical Engineering

*Robert Saunders*

### **INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERS**

C.B. Gambrell Undergraduate Scholarship

Camila Schrader - Industrial Engineering

*Tish Pohl*

Dwight D. Gardner Scholarship

Patrick Dougherty - Industrial Engineering

Conner Waybright - Industrial Engineering

*Tish Pohl  
Manuel Rossetti*

**Marvin Mundel Memorial Scholarship**

Madeline Suellentrop - Industrial Engineering

*Sarah Nurre Pinkley*

**Semi-Finalist, Capstone Senior Design Award**

Irina Britten - Industrial Engineering  
Chase Daril - Industrial Engineering  
Lexxy Gentile - Industrial Engineering  
Karlton Haney - Industrial Engineering  
Wesley Nimmo - Industrial Engineering  
Trevor Perry - Industrial Engineering  
Jack West - Industrial Engineering  
Bryan Withers - Industrial Engineering

*Richard Cassady*

**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ETHICS CASE COMPETITION**

**1st Place, Moral Compass Competition**

Ethan Taylor - Management

*Cindy Moehring*

**2nd Place, Moral Compass Competition**

Kaleigh Koc - Journalism

*Cindy Moehring*

**3rd Place, Moral Compass Competition**

Ruben Chung - Supply Chain Management

*Cindy Moehring*

**INTERNATIONAL POULTRY SCIENTIFIC FORUM**

**C.S. Eidson Student Award for Research Excellence**

Makenly Coles - Poultry Science

*Billy Hargis*

**Don R. Sloan Undergraduate Award**

Jared Ruff - Poultry Science

*Billy Hargis*

**INTERNATIONAL TRUMPET GUILD CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP**

Megan Park - Music  
Matthew Swerts - Music

*Richard Rulli*

**INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS AND EDITORS**

Finalist, Student (Large) Category

Michael Adkison - Journalism  
Mary Ellis - Journalism  
Mary Hennigan - Journalism  
Whitney King - Journalism  
Matthew Moore - Journalism  
Abbi Ross - Journalism  
Katy Selter - Journalism  
Brooke Tomlin - Journalism  
Abby Zimmardi - Journalism

*Rob Wells*

**MARSHALL SCHOLARSHIP**

Finalist

Jacob Condran - History, International and Global Studies, Political Science  
Megan Rodgers - International and Global Studies Political Science, Spanish  
Maya Ungar - French, International and Global Studies, Political Science

*Laurence Hare  
Ram Natarajan  
Laurence Hare*

**MINORITIES IN AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND RELATED SCIENCE**

1st Place, Division I Undergraduate Oral Presentation Category

Evan Buckner - Crop Science

*Alejandro Rojas*

**NAACP MARSHALL-MOTLEY SCHOLARSHIP**

Semi-Finalist

Elijah Conley - Journalism/Political Science

*Lucy Brown*

**NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL COMMUNICATORS OF TOMORROW**

**Public Relations Award of Excellence**

Kenley Bramall - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Jill Rucker*

**1st Place, Logo Design**

Laykyn Rainbolt - Animal Science

*Casandra Cox*

**1st Place, Newsletter**

Alison Creasey - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Jefferson Miller*

Macie Kelly - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Casandra Cox*

Laykyn Rainbolt - Animal Science

*Jefferson Miller*

Jay Smithson - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

**1st Place, Public Relations Single Item**

Kenley Bramall - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Jill Rucker*

**3rd Place, Animal Photo**

Ashton Williams - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Jefferson Miller*

**3rd Place, Black and White Photo**

Ashlyn Ussery - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Jefferson Miller*

**3rd Place, Logo Design**

Macie Kelly - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

**3rd Place, Public Relations Campaign**

Kenley Bramall - Agricultural and Extension Education

*Jill Rucker*

**Member Relations Coordinator**

Zachary Andrews - Agricultural Business;

*Jill Rucker*

Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

**NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL LAW CENTER**

Internship

Emilee Block - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology  
Sara Gardner - Agricultural Business, Business Economics  
Olivia Larson - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Cassandra Cox  
Jill Rucker  
Jill Rucker*

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MUSIC EDUCATION**

Collegiate Professional Achievement Award

Alexis Newman - Music Education

*Daniel Abrahams*

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE DEPARTMENTS OF AGRICULTURE**

Internship

Bryce McWilliams - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology, Poultry Science

*Cassandra Cox*

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SINGING SOUTHERN REGIONAL**

Winner, Lower Advanced Treble

Gloria Deveraux - Music

*Moon-Sook Park*

Winner, Upper Advanced TBB

Juan Garcia Hernandez - Music

*Moon-Sook Park*

Winner, Upper Student Adult Treble & TBB

Mickel Gordon - Music

*Chris MacRae, Moon-Sook Park*

Semi-Finalist, Freshmen Treble

Ceciley Allen - Music

Ashleigh Ellis - Chemistry, Music Education

Elizabeth Emberton - Music

*Chris MacRae  
Moon-Sook Park  
Moon-Sook Park*

Semi-Finalist, Lower Advanced Treble Voices

Sonya Faulknor - Music

*Moon-Sook Park*



Semi-Finalist, Senior Treble

Emily Auten - Music

*Moon-Sook Park*

Semi-Finalist, Sophomore TBB

Davis Vaughn - Music

*Chris MacRae*

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SINGING SOUTHERN STATE CONFERENCE**

1st Place, Freshman Treble

Ceciley Allen - Music

*Chris MacRae, Donna Rollene*

1st Place, Older Advanced TBB

Juan Garcia - Music

*Moon-Sook Park*

1st Place (tied), Senior Trebles

Emily Auten - Music

*Moon-Sook Park*

1st Place, Younger Advanced Treble

Sonya Faulknor - Music

*Moon-Sook Park*

2nd Place, Junior Treble

Rachael Foster - Music

*Chris MacRae, Moon-Sook Park*

2nd Place, Older Student Adult Men and Women

Mickel Gordon - Music

*Lauren Clare, Chris McRae*

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH**

Presentation

Emily Richey - Chemistry

*T.K.S. Kumar*

**NATIONAL FFA**

Secretary

Anna Mathis - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Jill Rucker*

**NATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS**

Outstanding Delegate Award

Dylan Goswick - Business Economics, Finance

Joshua Howard - Finance, Management

Nik Limperis - Business Economics, Finance

Charles Magill - Finance

James Morley - Business Economics

Ryan Perez - Business Economics, Management

Abby Sandhu - Accounting

Shaadee Shojai - International Business

*Robert Stapp*

Distinguished Delegation Award

Jonathan Goggins - Business Economics, Finance

Dylan Goswick - Business Economics, Finance

Joshua Howard - Finance, Management

Samantha Kennelly - Business Economics, Criminology

Nik Limperis - Business Economics, Finance

Noah Lockley - Accounting

Charles Magill - Finance

James Morley - Business Economics

Ryan Perez - Business Economics, Management

Abby Sandhu - Accounting

Shaadee Shojai - International Business

Corey Vance - Accounting, Finance

*Robert Stapp*

**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP**

Elizabeth Bullard - Biomedical Engineering

Erin Farmer - Economics, Mathematics, Physics

*Timothy Muldoon*

*Arya Gaduh*

William Kirkpatrick - Biology  
Kathleen McClanahan - Biology, Chemistry  
Meagan Olsen - Chemical Engineering  
Joshua Porter - Anthropology  
Amanda Walls - Biomedical Engineering

*Sarah DuRant  
T.K.S. Kumar  
Shannon Servoss  
Amelia Villaseñor  
Kartik Balachandran*

**Honorable Mention**

Kathryn Judy - Biology  
Carson Molder - Computer Engineering  
Daniel Stahle - Earth Science, Spanish

*Andrew Alverson  
Justin Zhan*

**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FOR UNDERGRADUATES**

Ben Burdess - Mechanical Engineering, German  
Breanna Kilgore - Biomedical Engineering  
Ashley Lieber - Physics  
Zach Neumeier - Biomedical Engineering  
Isabel Powers - Biomedical Engineering  
Andie Veeder - Chemical Engineering

*Richard Cassady  
Tameka Bailey  
Julia Kennefick  
Timothy Muldoon  
Christopher Nelson  
Heather Walker*

**NEW YORK COUNCIL OF THE SOCIETY OF AMERICAN REGISTERED ARCHITECTS**

Design Award of Merit  
Jacob Costello - Landscape Architecture  
Max Frank - Landscape Architecture

*Scott Biehle, Ken McCown*

**OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORIES PATHWAYS TO COMPUTING INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Alaina Edwards - Mathematics, Physics

*Tulin Kaman*

**OFFICE OF SENATOR JOHN BOOZMAN**

Internship  
Sara Gardner - Agricultural Business, Business Economics

*Jill Rucker*

**P. ALLEN SMITH**

Internship

Madison Felts - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

*Jeff Miller*

**PAYNE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FELLOWSHIP**

Finalist

Megan Rodgers - International and Global Studies, Political Science, Spanish

*Ram Natarajan*

**REGION IV COLLEGIATE SOIL JUDGING CONTEST**

Winner, Team Competition

Arriana Ayala - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Jonathan Brye - Environmental, Soil and Water Science;  
Recreation and Sport Management

Katie Maxwell - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Machaela Morrison - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Lilly Stults - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Shane Ylagan - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Kris Brye*

1st Place, Individual Competition

Machaela Morrison - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

*Kris Brye*

2nd Place, Individual Competition

Jonathan Brye - Environmental, Soil and Water Science;  
Recreation and Sport Management

*Kris Brye*

3rd Place, Individual Competition

Shane Ylagan - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Kris Brye*

**REGIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS MARK OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

Winner, Best Student Magazine

Natalie Demaree - Journalism/Political Science

*Bret Schulte*

Winner, Breaking News Photography

Heidi Kirk - Journalism

*Robyn Ledbetter*

Winner, Breaking News Reporting

Robert Stewart - Journalism

*Gina Shelton*

Winner, Magazine Story

Tegan Shockley - Journalism

*Bret Schulte*

Finalist, COVID-19 Coverage

Mary Hennigan - Journalism

*Rob Wells*

Finalist, Feature Writing

Hanna Ellington - Journalism/Political Science

Sarah Komar - Journalism

*Gerald Jordan*

*Brandon Bouchillon*

Finalist, Magazine Story

Beth Dedman - English/Journalism

*Bret Schulte*

Finalist, TV Feature Reporting

Jack Bilyeu - Journalism, Political Science

*Tiffany King*

**RHODES SCHOLARSHIP**

Finalist

Megan Rodgers - International and Global Studies, Political Science, Spanish

*Ram Natarajan*

**RYAN ANTHONY INTERNATIONAL TRUMPET GUILD SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Kyra Brockhausen - Music, Music Education

*Richard Rulli*

**SAINT PETERSBURG STATE UNIVERSITY OLYMPIAD OF RUSSIAN AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE IN THE USA**

1st Place

Ramiro Gonzales - Computer Science  
Spencer Hazeslip - Chemistry

*Nadja Berkovich  
Nadja Berkovich*

**SCHWARZMAN SCHOLARSHIP**

Finalist

Spencer Bone - Marketing

*Molly Rapert*

**SIT INTERNSHIP**

Nathan Hubbard - International and Global Studies

*Jared Phillips*

**SOUTHERN WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY**

1st Place, M.S. Oral Presentation Competition

Pamela Carvalho Moore - Cell and Molecular Biology; Crop, Soil and Environmental Science  
Bodie Cotter - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

1st Place, M.S. Poster Competition

Tristen Avent - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

1st Place, Ph.D. Oral Presentation Competition

Mason Castner - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science  
Maria Zaccaro - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

2nd Place, M.S. Oral Presentation Competition

James Beesinger - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

2nd Place, M.S. Poster Competition

Roger Farr - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

**SPACE X INTERNSHIP**

Allison Rucker - Electrical Engineering, German

*Samir El-Ghazaly*

**STUDENT UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP**

Liam Alderson - Chemistry  
 Sophia Bonadeo - History, International and Global Studies  
 Allie Bowman - Biomedical Engineering  
 Kathleen Bridgforth - Communication Sciences and Disorders  
 Catherine Caldwell - French, International and Global Studies  
 Sarah Caster - Anthropology, International and Global Studies  
 Ethan Chen - Biomedical Engineering  
 Jacob Condran - History, International and Global Studies, Political Science  
 Elijah Conley - Journalism/Political Science  
 Anna Cook - Political Science  
 Ryan Harra - Political Science, Psychology  
 Hanna Hartshorn - Communication Sciences and Disorders  
 Sophie Hill - Arabic, International and Global Studies, Middle East Studies  
 Jacob Huneycutt - History, International and Global Studies  
 Mary Jia - Biomedical Engineering  
 Kylie Jones - Communication Sciences and Disorders  
 Mandeep Kaur - Anthropology, Chemistry, Spanish  
 Gabrielle Krupa - Communication Sciences and Disorders  
 Ashley Lieber - Physics  
 Margo Mainord - Communication Sciences and Disorders  
 Regan Massey - Biology  
 Danica McGrevey - Biology  
 Jared McPeake - Biomedical Engineering  
 Allie Mertensotto - Marketing, Supply Chain Management  
 Sarah Moore - Kinesiology  
 James Morgan - Geography, Journalism  
 William Motazed - History, Political Science  
 Anna Perry - Communication Sciences and Disorders  
 Reese Petersen - Criminology, Psychology  
 Brooke Pridgen - Communication Sciences and Disorders  
 Jihan Rashed - Psychology

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Gage Regier - Psychology  
Kathryn Remell - Mechanical Engineering  
Dallion Richards - Public Health  
Charles Rodgers - Exercise Science  
Megan Rodgers - International and Global Studies, Political Science, Spanish  
Joseph Roll - Mathematics, Physics  
Kayla Simon - Public Health  
Avery Smith - Communication Sciences and Disorders  
Olivia Thornton - Apparel Merchandising and Product Development  
Amanda Tomanek - Chemistry  
Tanner Turben - Civil Engineering  
Jarrod Varnell - Biology, Chemistry  
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Brooke Zimmerman - Communication Sciences and Disorders

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Eleanor Henson - Biological Engineering

*Benjamin Runkle*

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Finalist

Megan Rodgers - International and Global Studies, Political Science, Spanish

*Ram Natarajan*

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Karla Adrian-Caceres - Chemical Engineering  
Courtney Batts - Chemical Engineering  
Elizabeth Gomez - Chemical Engineering  
Tia Harmon - Finance  
Zharia Harris - Biomedical Engineering  
Maya Kedom - Mechanical Engineering  
Alexa Moreno - Chemical Engineering  
Jaira Porter - Industrial Engineering

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Samia Ismail - Biomedical Engineering

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Nicole Clowney*

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*Ashlea Milburn*

**U.S. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL AWARD**

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*Hanna Estes*

**UC SAN DIEGO ENGINEERED MATERIALS FOR TISSUE ENGINEERING AND DRUG DELIVERY REU**

Sanidhya Tripathi - Biomedical Engineering

*Narasimhan Rajaram*

**UDALL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP**

Alexis Barber - Biological Engineering

*Jun Zhu*

**Honorable Mention**

Zane Colvin - Landscape Architecture

*Suzanne McCray*

**UNDERGRADUATE PUBLICATIONS**

**Sustainability**

Sam Carroll - Biological Engineering

*Kieu Le*

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**VANDERBILT BIOPHOTONICS SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PROGRAM**

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**WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY OF AMERICA**

1st Place, M.S. Poster Competition

*Jason Norsworthy*

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Bodie Cotter - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

### 1st Place, M.S. Three-Minute Thesis Competition

Tristen Avent - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

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### 3rd Place, M.S. Poster Competition

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*Jason Norsworthy*

### 3rd Place, Ph.D. Poster Competition

Maria Zaccaro - Crop, Soil and Environmental Science

*Jason Norsworthy*

## WHITE HOUSE, OFFICE OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS

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Sara Gardner - Agricultural Business, Business Economics

*Jill Rucker*

## WOMEN'S ACTION FOR NEW DIRECTIONS

### En Voz Alta Mentorship

Sol Halle - International and Global Studies, Political Science

*Xavier Medina*

**FACULTY, STAFF, DEPARTMENTAL GOLD MEDALS**

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Noah Pittman, Assistant Dean of Recruitment and Retention, Honors College  
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Biomedical Engineering	2019
Architecture	2018
Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness	2017
Civil Engineering	2016
Walter J. Lemke Department of Journalism	2015
Electrical Engineering	2014
Crop, Soil, and Environmental Sciences	2013
Marketing	2012
International Relations	2011
Biological Sciences	2010
Chemical Engineering	2009
History	2008
Political Science	2007
Chemistry	2006
Economics	2005
World Languages, Literatures & Cultures	2004
Physics	2003





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