



honoring state
and national
award winners
and finalists and
their mentors

STATE & NATIONAL
Awards
RECEPTION 2024

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The logo features the word "Awards" in a large, elegant, red cursive script. Above the "Awards" text, the words "STATE & NATIONAL" are written in a smaller, red, sans-serif, all-caps font. Below the "Awards" text, the words "RECEPTION 2024" are written in the same smaller, red, sans-serif, all-caps font.

STATE & NATIONAL Awards RECEPTION 2024

Welcome to the 2024 Annual State and National Awards Reception. At the University of Arkansas, our students have had a tremendously successful year. More than 300 students received nearly \$1.5 million in competitive scholarships, fellowships, grants, and internships during the 2023-2024 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 studies, architecture, social sciences, and the arts and humanities.

Many of the students here today 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. Thank you for joining us today.

PRELUDE

VOICES, directed by Lauren Clare

WELCOME

Suzanne McCray, Vice Provost for Enrollment and Dean of Admissions and Nationally Competitive Awards

UNDERGRADUATE ENGAGEMENT & FACULTY SUPPORT

Terry Martin, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Amelia Southern-Uribe, Udall Scholar and Truman Scholarship Finalist

Matthew Halbert, Assistant Director of Nationally Competitive Awards

Emily Wright, Senior Associate Director of Nationally Competitive Awards

2024 STAFF GOLD MEDALS

Louise Hancox, Senior Director of Career Innovation, Honors College

Mary Skinner, Director of Student Activities, Office of Student Activities

2024 FACULTY GOLD MEDALS

Ed Clausen, University Professor, College of Engineering

Cassandra Cox, Assistant Professor, Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences

Page Dobbs, Associate Professor, College of Education and Health Professions

Rogelio Garcia Contreras, Teaching Assistant Professor, Walton College of Business

Woodrow Shew, Associate Professor, Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

Christian Tipsmark, Associate Professor, Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

2024 DEPARTMENTAL GOLD MEDAL

Department of Mathematical Sciences

2024 COMMUNITY PARTNER GOLD MEDAL

Volunteer Action Center

STUDENT AND MENTOR AWARDS

Faculty Awards Presenter - Terry Martin, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Student Awards Presenter - Suresh Thallapuranam, Director of Undergraduate Research

SCHOLARSHIPS

ACHIEVING WOMEN'S EXCELLENCE IN SUPPLY CHAIN OPERATION, MANAGEMENT, AND EDUCATION

Stephanie Thomas

Excellence in Education Scholarship

Lily Raccasi - Supply Chain Management

Rachel Spencer - Supply Chain Management

AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

Ralph Bunche Summer Institute

Breannah Small - African and African American Studies; Journalism/Political Science

Najja K. Baptist

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH INITIATIVE

Chase Golden - Chemical Engineering

Ed Clausen

ARKANSAS WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP

Kaylee Shoemaker - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

Noralee Townsend - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

Cassandra Cox

ASPEN INSTITUTE

Future Leader Climate Fellow

Amelia Southern-Urbe - Journalism/Political Science

Ninette Sosa

BENJAMIN A. GILMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Madison Barnes, Brian Poepsel, Katie Sabo, Kat Stoddard

Mohammad Anjum - Political Science

Ann-Wesley Banks - Interior Architecture and Design

Jonathan Calandro - International Business

Chandler Cartwright - Communication

Emily Childress - Human Development and Family Sciences

Allyssa Dezaldivar - Studio Art

John Evans - History

Jantzen Fitch - International Business

Nahomi Gonzalez Pineda - Spanish Education

Nadja Berkovich

Mary Grace Green - Mathematics
Veronica Huff - Studio Art
Amber Jared - Biology
Grace Li - Chemical Engineering; German
Alex Maldonado-Lopez - Public Health
Miguel Marin - International Business
Vernon Martin - English
Anna Mathis - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology
Kian McWilliams - Political Science
David Rabelo - Apparel Merchandising and Product Development
Calypso Starr-O'Berski - Studio Art
Rylee Vanaman - Exercise Science
Grady Widener - Mechanical Engineering; German

BLACK HISTORY COMMISSION OF ARKANSAS

Curtis H. Sykes Memorial Grant

Ani-ya Beasley - African and African American Studies; History

Michael Pierce

CRITICAL LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP

Khadeeja Asif - Chemistry; Arabic

Forrest Eagar - Architecture

Nina Thomas - International and Global Studies; Latin American and Latino Studies; Spanish

Paula Haydar

Nadja Berkovich

Hawraa Alzouwain

DATA ANALYTICS THAT ARE ROBUST AND TRUSTED SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Han Hu

Harrison Greene - Mechanical Engineering

Trevor Harris - Mechanical Engineering

Chinmaya Joshi - Mechanical Engineering

Jackson Minnick - Mechanical Engineering

Joshua Mora Sanchez - Mechanical Engineering

Grant Resler - Mechanical Engineering

Corbin Russ - Mechanical Engineering

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

FULBRIGHT U.S. STUDENT PROGRAM

English Teaching Assistantship, Finalist

Sherjeel Naeem - Anthropology; Biology
Rebekah Smith - German; History
Gabrielle Vatthanatham - Modern Language

*Sara Parrot, Sophia Ordaz
Jennifer Hoyer
Nancy Arenberg*

English Teaching Assistantship, Alternate

Katherine Chamberlin - International Business
Olivia Elshoff - French; Sociology
Rylie Ford - Social Studies Education; History
Grace Martin - Chemical Engineering; Food Science

Kathleen Condray

*Peggy Ward
Claire Allison*

Study/Research Award, Alternate

Caitlyn Goodman - International Business

English Teaching Assistantship, Semi-Finalist

Aryan Prabhudesai - Mathematics

Jennifer Hoyer

Study/Research Award, Semi-Finalist

Ralph Bray - Business Administration

Adam Stoverink

GENSLER BRINKMANN SCHOLARSHIP

Jason Cote - Architecture and Design

Carl Matthews

GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP

Ethan Batey - Chemistry; Physics
Joshua Mora Sanchez - Mechanical Engineering
Sam Sooter - Physics; Mathematics
Emilee Walden - Mathematics; Biology

*Bin Dong
Han Hu
Woodrow Shew
Jiahui Chen, Tulin Kaman*

HAGAN SCHOLARSHIP

Matthew Manuel - Finance; Accounting

Xochitl Delgado Solorzano

IDEA NETWORK OF BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Lidia Belete - Chemistry
Jennifer Chen - Biology; Chemistry
Alyssandra Navarro - Biomedical Engineering

*Susanne Striegler, Adnan Alrubaye
Xuan Zhuang
Mostafa Elsaadany*

INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERS

Power and Energy Society Scholarship Plus Scholar
Philip Reeves - Electrical Engineering

Daniel Levine

INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERS

Marvin Mundel Scholarship
Gabe Hesington - Industrial Engineering

Ashlea Milburn, Tish Pohl

John L. Imhoff Scholarship

Maryam Kheirandish Borujeni - Industrial Engineering
Adetola Odebode - Industrial Engineering

Ashlea Milburn

Dwight D. Gardner Scholarship

Karleigh Eoff - Industrial Engineering

Ashlea Milburn

Harold and Inge Marcus Scholarship

Katie Augsburg - Industrial Engineering
John Maxwell - Industrial Engineering
Cesar Trujillo - Industrial Engineering

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL AID INTERNSHIP

Lyndi Brown - Exercise Science

Katie Winkler

INTERNATIONAL TRUMPET GUILD CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP

Kyra Brockhausen - Music
Sophie Jaquez - Music; Music Education
Bradly Matthews - Music Education

*Susumu Watanabe
Rich Rulli
Rich Rulli*

Nathan Steinmuller - Music

Rich Rulli

JAPAN EXCHANGE AND TEACHING (JET) PROGRAM

Tatsuya Fukushima, Mafumi Omura

Amelia Ward - Psychology

Sophie Chier - Psychology

LUCE SCHOLARSHIP

Finalist

Sherjeel Naeem - Anthropology; Biology

Sara Parrot, Sophia Ordaz

MINORITIES IN AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND RELATED SCIENCES

Farm Credit VIP Scholar

Madi Dains - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology; Animal Science

Hellen Vejerano Molina - Animal Science

Jill Rucker

Jacquelyn Mosley

Gold MANRRS Scholarship

Cris Caballero Moreno - Animal Science

Jacquelyn Mosley

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION EPSCOR FUTURE TECHNOLOGIES AND ENABLING PLASMA PROCESSES

Thomas Farrell - Computer Science

Tulin Kaman

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Gabrielle Bulliard - Biomedical Engineering

Rachel Taylor - Cell and Molecular Biology

Christopher Nelson

Martin Egan

Honorable Mention

Ally Heiland - Psychology

Marius Unnvik - Psychology

Jennifer Veilleux

Anastasia Makhanova

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION RESEARCH EXPERIENCE FOR UNDERGRADUATES

Armon Afrasiabi - Industrial Engineering

Maxwell Bernards - Mechanical Engineering

Hugh Churchill

Jacob Brecheisen - Computer Science; Data Science

Jason Cartwright - Biology

Eva Casto - Computer Science

Jade Easter - Industrial Engineering

Lillian Hutchinson - Chemical Engineering

Emma Kellogg - Biology

Claire Meara - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Jack Norris - Computer Science

Omar Qedan - Industrial Engineering

Bryan Sheehan - Mechanical Engineering

Shae Threlfall - Mechanical Engineering

Erica Westerman

Kevin Jin

Younghye Song

Shannon Speir

Kevin Jin

Haitao Liao

Min Zou

NEW LEADERS INITIATIVE

John Goddard Prize for Environmental Leadership

Amelia Southern-Urbe - Journalism/Political Science

Ninette Sosa

NOAA ERNEST F. HOLLINGS SCHOLARSHIP

Andie Forbes - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Casandra Cox

OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE AND EDUCATION FELLOWSHIP

Kendall Byers - International Relations; Middle East Studies

Ted Holland

PSI CHI UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH GRANT

Ethan Dennis - Psychology

Jennifer Veilleux

ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL

Pediatric Oncology Education Program

Gavin Miller - Public Health; Biology

Ana Bridges

STUDENT UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Kailee Aston - Public Health

Ella Baker - Chemistry; Spanish

Kaitlin Gallagher

Matt McIntosh

Rachel Baltz - Biology
 Ethan Batey - Chemistry; Physics
 Mia Bingaman - Psychology
 Abbie Brien - Psychology; Biology
 Caroline Brooks - Psychology
 Erin Burney - Nursing
 Jason Cartwright - Biology
 Celeste Falgoust - Apparel Merchandising and Product Development
 Daniella Fernandez - Psychology; Sociology; Criminology
 Alyssa Hartley - Psychology
 Danielle Illum - Apparel Merchandising and Product Development
 Macy James - Music
 Melih Karabacak - Biology
 Angelina Ke - Biology
 Kelli Cole Ladwig - Art History
 Chloe Martinez - Psychology; Sociology
 Meg McCartney - Studio Art
 Charlotte McCormick - Public Health
 Claire Meara - Environmental, Soil and Water Science
 Linden Mountain - Career and Technical Education
 Emma Paulus - Mechanical Engineering
 Madison Price - Agricultural Business
 Daisy Rehbock - International and Global Studies
 Sakura Rieck - Biology
 Crystal Schaefer - Elementary Education
 Taylor Seupaul - Anthropology
 Erika Shirer - Animal Science
 Gaven Smart - Biomedical Engineering
 Sam Sooter - Physics; Mathematics
 Caroline Stewart - Communication Sciences and Disorders
 Ethan Talley - Biology
 Emma Terry - Communication Sciences and Disorders

Christian Tipsmark
 Bin Dong
 Ellen Leen-Feldner
 Anastasia Makhanova
 James Lampinen
 Suresh Thallapuram
 Erica Westerman
 Stephanie Hubert
 Ellen Leen-Feldner
 Ana Bridges
 Lance Cheramie
 Katey Halbert
 Jeanine Durdick
 Christian Tipsmark
 Aaron Turner
 Ellen Leen-Feldner
 David Fredrick
 Page Dobbs
 Shannon Speir
 Erin Hickey
 David Paulus
 Jennie Popp
 Lisa Corrigan
 Nagayasu Nakashini
 Christine Ralston
 Kathleen Paul
 Charles Maxwell
 Timothy Muldoon
 Woodrow Shew
 Lisa Bowers
 Xuan Zhuang
 Rachel Glade

Sterling Thomas - Public Health
Anna Tucker - Biology

Marilou Shreve
Narasimhan Rajaram

SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS ACCELERATOR

Soumya Chauhan - Mathematics

Tulin Kaman

TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Finalist

Amelia Southern-Urbe - Journalism/Political Science

Ninette Sosa

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship

Samantha Giudice - International and Global Studies; Asian Studies

Grant Smith - International and Global Studies; Asian Studies

Kelly Hammond

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI NEURO-HORIZONS

Yodalys Aguilar Quiros - Psychology

Matt Judah

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA MIND DIVE IN

Yodalys Aguilar Quiros - Psychology

Matt Judah

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH MOBILIZATION AND POLITICAL ECONOMY SUMMER RESEARCH PROGRAM

Breannah Small - African and African American Studies; Journalism/Political Science

Najja K. Baptist

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PROGRAM

Yodalys Aguilar Quiros - Psychology

Matt Judah

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Jorge Rodriguez Pena - Biomedical Engineering

Mostafa Elsaadany

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN EAU-CLAIRE NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

Yodalys Aguilar Quiros - Psychology

Matt Judah

YALE UNIVERSITY PROGRAM TO ADVANCE TRAINING IN HEALTH AND SCIENCES

Yodalys Aguilar Quiros - Psychology

Matt Judah

AWARDS AND INTERNSHIPS**AMERICAN COUNCIL OF TEACHERS OF RUSSIAN**

Post-Secondary Russian Scholar Laureate Award

Nikhil Pai - Math; Physics

*Nadja Berkovich***AMERICAN MEAT SCIENCE ASSOCIATION**

C. Boyd Ramsey RMC Scholar Award

Elizabeth Neal - Animal Science

Iron Chef Competition, 2nd Place

Ashley Rivera Pitti - Animal Science

*Derico Setyabrata***Undergraduate Scholastic Achievement Award**

Taylor Looper - Animal Science

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR ENGINEERING EDUCATION, MIDWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Student Paper Competition, 1st Place

Chinmaya Joshi - Mechanical Engineering

Jackson Minnick - Mechanical Engineering

Stephen Pierson - Mechanical Engineering

Corbin Russ - Mechanical Engineering

*Han Hu***Student Poster Competition, 2nd Place**

Ian Popp - Chemical Engineering

*Heather Walker***AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR HORTICULTURAL SCIENCES, SOUTHERN REGION**

Undergraduate Poster Contest, 1st Place; J.B. Edmond Undergraduate Paper Contest, 2nd Place

Megan Jo Daily - Horticulture, Landscape, and Turf Sciences

*Curt Rom, Garry McDonald***Fruit Crops Judging Contest, 2nd Place**

Ann Bell - Horticulture, Landscape, and Turf Sciences; Landscape Architecture

Katelyn Bishop - Horticulture, Landscape, and Turf Sciences
Jillian Dibiase - Exploring Undergraduate
Morgan Humphrey - Horticulture, Landscape, and Turf Sciences; Music

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS

Jennifer Webb

Student Portfolio Competition, Finalist

Hayden Wyrick - Interior Architecture and Design

Student Portfolio Competition, Semi-Finalist

Taylor Brown - Interior Architecture and Design

Emily Creek - Interior Architecture and Design

ARKANSAS CROP PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

Undergraduate Presentation, 1st Place

Abigail Norsworthy - Crop Science; Agricultural Business

Undergraduate Presentation, 2nd Place

Rhet Baxley - Crop Science

Jason Norsworthy

ARKANSAS STATE FFA

Jill Rucker

Officer

Reese Mitchell - Agricultural Business

Evan Seay - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

ARKANSAS PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Poster Presentation, 1st Place

Daniella Fernandez - Psychology; Sociology; Criminology

Ellen Leen-Feldner, Riley Gournay

ASSOCIATED COLLEGIATE PRESS AWARDS

Teresa Tackett, Robyn Starling Ledbetter

Innovation Pacemaker Award, Finalist

Riley Atkinson - Advertising and Public Relations; Journalism

Advertising Media Kit, Best of Show

Riley Atkinson - Advertising and Public Relations; Journalism

Lauren Beavers - Advertising and Public Relations

BROADCAST EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Sportscaster Award of Excellence

Katie Parker - Journalism

Tiffany King

Newscast, 2nd Place

Elena Thompson - Journalism

CODE FOR GOOD HACKATHON

1st Place

Ananya Vangoor - Computer Science and Computer Engineering; Mathematics

Tulin Kaman

DATA ANALYTICS THAT ARE ROBUST AND TRUSTED

Undergraduate Poster Competition, 1st Place

Amy Hoang - Data Science

Laasya Ravipati - Data Science

Karl Schubert, Lee Shoultz

DOW JONES NEWS FUND INTERNSHIP

Rachell Sanchez-Smith - Journalism/Political Science

Gina Shelton

FELIX CHRISTOPHER MCKEAN MEMORIAL AWARD

Isabella Sotlar - English

Jane Blunsch

GRAND CONCOURS INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

Collegiate, Expert Level, Romantic and Impressionism, Piano Category, 1st Place

Callie Maurer - Music

Xiting Yang

GREAT PLAINS AWARDS

Bret Schulte

Dan Harrison Memorial Student Magazine of the Year, Recipient

Victoria Hernandez - English/Journalism

Dan Harrison Memorial Student Editor of the Year, Finalist

Victoria Hernandez - English/Journalism

Sarah Komar - English/Journalism

Dan Harrison Memorial Student Writer of the Year, Finalist

Mary Beth Kemp – Journalism

INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERS

Operations Research Division Undergraduate Student Research Dissemination Award

Blake Sooter - Industrial Engineering

Chase Rainwater

INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL AND SYSTEMS ENGINEERS SOUTH-CENTRAL REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Poster Session, 1st Place

Carter Baldwin - Industrial Engineering

Alyssa Ball - Industrial Engineering

Jacob Holmes - Industrial Engineering; German; French

Manuel Rossetti

Brandon Crisel

Brandon Crisel

LAUREATE INSTITUTE FOR BRAIN RESEARCH INTERNSHIP

Catherine Scales - Psychology

Matt Judah

MUSIC TEACHERS NATIONAL ASSOCIATION YOUNG ARTISTS STATE COMPETITION

Brass, 1st Place

Lauren Zygmunt – Music

Katey Halbert

Piano, 1st Place

Callie Maurer – Music

Xiting Yang

Woodwinds, 1st Place

Ryan Montemayer – Music

Sarah Hetrick

Honorable Mention

Wesley Becherer – Music

Macy James – Music

Tyler Trickey – Music

Theresa Delaplain

Katey Halbert

Sarah Hetrick

NATAS MID-AMERICA EMMYS

Reporting Hard News, 1st Place

Kaitlin Garza - Journalism/Political Science

Tiffany King

Best Newscast, Honorable Mention

Elena Thompson – Journalism

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL COMMUNICATORS OF TOMORROW

Officer

Olivia Larson - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

Noralee Townsend - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

Jill Rucker

Casandra Cox

Critique and Contest: Long Video Package Category, 1st Place; Electronic Media Award of Excellence

Anna Mathis - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

Jill Rucker

Critique and Contest: Editorial Writing and Short Video Package Categories, 1st Place

Shane White - Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences

Jefferson Miller

Critique and Contest, E-newsletter Category, 1st Place

Brooklyn Johnson - Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS, ARKANSAS CHAPTER

BSW Student of the Year Award

Keleigh Adams - Social Work

Betty Charline Parker

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SINGING

Commercial Music - Treble, 1st Place; 2nd Year Classical - Treble, 2nd Place

Kalista Brown - Music; Music Education

Moon-Sook Park

Classical - Treble, 1st Place

Katelynn Jackson - Music

Lenora Green-Turner

Adult Classical, 2nd Place

Henedina Garavito-Davies - Music Education

Lenora Green-Turner

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SINGING, SOUTHERN REGION

Moon-Sook Park

Commercial Music - Treble, 1st Place; 2nd Year Classical - Treble, 2nd Place

Kalista Brown - Music; Music Education

Older Student Adult Classical - Treble and TBB, 1st Place; Musical Theatre Adult-Avocational - Treble and TBB, 2nd Place

Ashley Trotter - Music

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS OF SINGING, ARKANSAS CHAPTER

Classical Category, 1st Place; Commercial Music Category, 1st Place

Kalista Brown - Music; Music Education

Moon-Sook Park

Musical Theatre Category, 1st Place

Markell Cox - Music Education

Lauren Clare

Classical Category, 1st Place; Musical Theatre Category, 2nd Place

Ashley Trotter - Music

Moon-Sook Park

Classical Category, 2nd Place

Dominique Butcher - Music

Jonathan Stinson

Classical Category, 2nd Place

Garrett Cash - Music

Musical Theatre Category, 2nd Place

Toni Hardin - Music

NATIONAL COMMUNICATION ASSOCIATION

James L. Golden Outstanding Student Essay in Rhetoric Award, Runner-up

Alondra Gilbrech - Political Science

Reaves Robinson - Political Science

Terrell Jake Dionne

NATIONAL LATINX PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

DEI Award

Yodalys Aguilar Quiros – Psychology

Matt Judah

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Student Participation Award for the ASME 17th International Conference on Energy Sustainability

Jackson Marsh - Mechanical Engineering

Han Hu

NEXTILE: SOY IN TEXTILE DESIGN CHALLENGE

National Competition, 1st Place

Kasandra Wright - Apparel Merchandising and Product Development

Lance Cheramie

University Competition, 1st Place

Kasandra Wright - Apparel Merchandising and Product Development

University Competition, 2nd Place

Annalise Robins - Apparel Merchandising and Product Development

NIKE INTERNSHIP

Mackenzie Rogers – Psychology

ROSIE NETWORK LIBERATION AWARD

Heather Wilson - Interdisciplinary Studies

Mandel Samuels

SMART MEETINGS MAGAZINE

Smart Women in Meetings Award

Heather Wilson - Interdisciplinary Studies

Mandel Samuels

SOCIETY OF PLASTICS ENGINEERS CONFERENCE

Student Poster Competition, 1st Place

Samantha Glidewell - Chemical Engineering; French

Keisha Walters

SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS MARK OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS, REGION 12

Best Magazine, Winner

Victoria Hernandez - English/Journalism

Bret Schulte

Reporting, Finalist

Beau Russell - Journalism

Tiffany King

SOUTHERN WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY

Weed Identification - Regional and National Rounds, 1st Place

Rhet Baxley - Crop Science

Jason Norsworthy, Nilda Roma-Burgos

STUDENTS OF AGRONOMY, SOILS AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES CONFERENCE

Research Poster, 1st Place

Jonathan Brye - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Kelsey Greub

Research Presentation, 1st Place

Abigail Norsworthy - Crop Science

Visual Presentation, 1st Place

Wesley Herrman - Crop Science

UNITED STATES CONGRESSIONAL INTERNSHIP

Anna Margaret Burnett - Political Science

WOMEN CHANGING THE WORLD

Social Enterprise, Bronze Award

Raquelle Roulette - Management; Marketing

TEAM COMPETITIONS

ARKANSAS CHORAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION ALL-STATE MUSIC CONFERENCE

Stephen Caldwell

Madeleine Amox - Music

Nathalie Arias - Nursing

Gabriel Blotor - Choral Conducting

Emma Breaux - Biology

Kalista Brown - Music; Music Education

Luke Burnside - Business Economics

Garrett Cash - Music Education

Jackson Cawthon - Music Education

Samara Crouse - English; Music

Emma Davis - Music; Psychology

Nathan Edwards - Music Education

Gavin Engholm - Music Education

Crystal Espinoza - Music Education

Leah Foster - Music

Daniel Fox - Music

Isabel Fuentes - Music

Alexander Garcia - Music Education; Psychology

Ryan Gay - Exploring Undergraduate

Ian Gelicame - Music Education

Brooklyne Goad - Biology

Evan Goforth - Music Education

Avery Golz - Anthropology

Helem Gomez-Jimenez - Music Education

Connor Gustafson - Music

Avery Hamlin - Music Education

Sadie Hilton - Journalism; Music
Ashlyn Hodge - Music
Cole Jackson - Accounting
Idaly Jimenez - Nursing
Mia Johnson - Music
Karley Jones - Music Education
Lillie Large - Music Education
Lauren Launhardt - Chemistry
Austin Letterman - Organizational Management and Leadership
Lizbeth Lopez - Communication
David Lykins - Communication Sciences and Disorders
Alyssa Martinez - Theatre
Sam Messick - Music Education
Gavin Miller - Public Health; Biology
James Morningstar - Political Science
Ashton Morren - Music
John Kimita Njenga - Music
William Oliver IV - Music
Isabelle Pennick - Anthropology
Emma Price - Psychology
Valeria Quintanilla - Exploring Undergraduate
Lauren Ramsey - Interior Architecture and Design
Jose Rodriguez - Music Education
Matthew Sandusky - English; Political Science
Emma Scott - Music; English
Edwin Soto - Music Education
Titus Sutterfield - Music Education
Jagger Thompson - Engineering
Ashley Trotter - Music
Amy Underwood - Psychology
Brennan Wilkins - Music Education
Rachel Willett - Psychology

Kevin Willis - Music
Talina Woods - Music
Allison Young - Music Education

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC DEBATE ASSOCIATION

Overall Team Statewide Ranking, 1st Place

Overall Team Nationwide Scholastic Award, 3rd Place

Hadley Adkison - Psychology
Savannah Barrentine - History; International and Global Studies
Matthew Cook - Engineering
Megan Dial - Political Science; International and Global Studies
Jackson Dowler - English*
Maddie Fritz - Drama Education*
Max Green - Biomedical Engineering
Dylan Hall - Criminology; Psychology; Sociology
Luke Hubbard - Finance; Business Economics; Philosophy
Jacob Hurbanek - Environmental, Soil and Water Science
James Jovicich - Economics; Political Science
Austin Keefe - Political Science; Spanish**
Jonas Lansford - History; Philosophy
Molly Lay - Criminology; Political Science
Jennifer Lopez - Psychology
Jacqueline Maldonado-Martinez - Psychology
Gavin Michau - Criminology; Political Science
Rhea Neugebauer - Political Science
Colten Nichols - Crop Science; Chemistry**
Daisy Rehbock - International and Global Studies*
Jaci Sabatini - Psychology**
Benjamin Shoptaw - History
Carter Stainton - Exploring Undergraduate*
Luke Thurmon - Industrial Engineering
Jade Vasquez - Criminology

Hannah Morris

* Students who have won individual tournaments

** Students ranked in top 10 nationwide

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC DEBATE ASSOCIATION - DALLAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY TOURNAMENT

Hannah Morris

Novice, 1st Place

Carter Stainton - Exploring Undergraduate

Novice Speaker, 2nd Place

Molly Lay - Criminology; Political Science

Junior Varsity Speaker, 1st Place

Aubree Watkins - Communication

Varsity, Semi-Finalist

Hadley Adkison - Psychology

Junior Varsity, Semi-Finalist

Aubree Watkins - Communication

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC DEBATE ASSOCIATION - RED RIVER CLASSIC

Hannah Morris

Varsity Speaking, 1st Place; Pilot Award

Hadley Adkison - Psychology

INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC DEBATE ASSOCIATION - UNIVERSITY OF JAMESTOWN TOURNAMENT

Hannah Morris

Team IPDA Sweepstakes, 1st Place

Hadley Adkison - Psychology

Matthew Cook - Engineering

Megan Dial - Political Science; International and Global Studies

Maddie Fritz - Drama Education

Max Green - Biomedical Engineering

Austin Keefe - Political Science; Spanish

Jaci Sabatini - Psychology

Benjamin Shoptaw - History; Social Studies Education
Aubree Watkins - Communication

Team IPDA Speaker, 1st Place

Hadley Adkison - Psychology

Team IPDA Speaker, 2nd Place

Max Green - Biomedical Engineering

Professional, Semi-Finalist

Jaci Sabatini - Psychology

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE POULTRY JUDGING CONTEST

Dennis Mason

Overall Team, 2nd Place

Delaney Roberts - Poultry Science

Crystal Velazquez - Poultry Science

McKayla Williams - Poultry Science

Cayla Wilson - Poultry Science

NATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS

Robert Stapp

Outstanding Delegation Award

Sydney Forster - Criminology; French; Sociology

Brayden Hartwig - Political Science; Economics

Erica Jones - International and Global Studies

Sydney Kincaid - Political Science

Sergio Lopez - Business Economics

Steicy Lopez - Economics

Nathan Martin - Business Economics; Finance

Mackenzie Mollner - International and Global Studies; Economics

Lily Raccasi - International Business

Daisy Rehbock - International and Global Studies

Iana Ruheta - Chemistry

Leen Samman - Biology; Psychology
Brady Voss - Finance
Jackson Walton - Finance; Political Science

Outstanding Delegate Award

Sydney Forster - Criminology; French; Sociology
Sydney Kincaid - Political Science
Mackenzie Mollner - International and Global Studies; Economics
Leen Samman - Biology; Psychology

Outstanding Position Paper Award for Research

Sydney Kincaid - Political Science
Mackenzie Mollner - International and Global Studies; Economics

REGION IV SOIL JUDGING CHAMPIONSHIP

Kris Brye

Overall Individual, 1st Place

Katie Jansson - Horticulture, Landscape, and Turf Sciences; Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Overall Individual, 2nd Place

Jonathan Brye - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

Overall Team, 1st Place

Jonathan Brye - Environmental, Soil and Water Science
Katie Jansson - Horticulture, Landscape, and Turf Sciences; Environmental, Soil and Water Science
Claire Meara - Environmental, Soil and Water Science
Colten Nichols - Crop Science; Chemistry
Noah Solomon - Crop Science
Sophie Sward - Environmental, Soil and Water Science
Keara Taul - Environmental, Soil and Water Science

SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE CONFERENCE

Rocio Paez Ritter

Quiz Bowl, 2nd Place

Miya Fillmore - Criminology

Chase Freeman - French; Sociology; Criminology; History; African and African American Studies

Brooke Poe - Criminology

STOCK HORSE OF TEXAS WORLD SHOW

Jordan Shore

Reserve All-Around Team

Kate Henderson - Animal Science

Justine Barb - Animal Science; Agricultural Education, Communication and Technology

Britnee Lynch - Animal Science

Jordan Shortt - Data Science

Go Round One, Collegiate Novice and Novice Divisions, Reserve Champion

Kate Henderson - Animal Science

Go Round One, Collegiate Limited Non-Pro Division, Champion

Britnee Lynch - Animal Science

USPOULTRY FOUNDATION TED CAMERON NATIONAL POULTRY JUDGING CONTEST

Dennis Mason, Amanda Bromley

Overall Team, 1st Place

Kaleb Barenberg - Poultry Science

Kylie Roesler - Poultry Science

Crystal Velazquez - Poultry Science

Cayla Wilson - Poultry Science

Overall Individual, 1st Place

Kylie Roesler - Poultry Science

Overall Individual, 2nd Place

Cayla Wilson - Poultry Science

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Jared Phillips
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Stephanie Thomas
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Christian Goering
Adriana Rossiter Hofer
James Lampinen
Ashlea Milburn
Lisa Wood

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FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2021

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FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2020

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Ken McCown
Timothy Muldoon

College of Education and Health Professions
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Jill Rucker
Bret Schulte
Julie Trivitt

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FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2019

Richard Cassady
Rachel Glade
Mack Ivey
Molly Jensen
Garry McDonald
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Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2018

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Vinson Carter
Lisa Corrigan
Kevin Hall
Lona Robertson
Carl Smith

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FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2017

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Lauren Greenlee
Micah Hale
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Angie Maxwell
Clemencia Rojas

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FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2016

Vikas Anand
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John Clark
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Mark Boyer
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Doug Karcher
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Ines Pinto
Stephanie Schulte

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Matthew Ganio
J. Laurence Hare
Andy Proctor
Matthew Waller

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College of Engineering
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FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2012

Bob Beitle
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 Hope Christiansen
 Lanier Nalley
 Molly Rapert
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 Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences
 Walton College of Business
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 College of Engineering

FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2011

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 Mary Savin
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FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2010

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 Scott Mason
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 Carol Reeves
 Charles Riggs
 Richard Rulli

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 College of Engineering
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 Walton College of Business
 College of Education and Health Professions
 Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2008

Magda El-Shenawee
Fran Hagstrom
Lisa Margulis
Xiaogang Pang
Javier Reyes
Charles Rosencranz

College of Engineering
College of Education and Health Professions
Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences
Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences
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FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2007

Nan Smith-Blair
Amy Farmer
Denise Greathouse
Stephen Luoni
Marty Matlock
Steve Striffler

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Walton College of Business
Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences
Jones School of Architecture and Design
College of Engineering
Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences

FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2006

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Walton College of Business
Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences
College of Engineering
Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences
Walton College of Business

FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2005

Susan Burkett
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Navam Hettiarachchy
Craig Rennie
Craig Thompson
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Doyle Z. Williams

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Walton College of Business

FACULTY GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2004

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Fulbright College of Art and Sciences

Carol Gattis
Ajay Malshe
Lin Oliver
Judith Ricker
Steve Sheppard

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STAFF GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2023

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Summer Rae Wilkie - Youth Coordinator, Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative

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Xochitl Delgado Solorzano - Assistant Dean for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Honors College
Katie Sabo - Senior Study Abroad Coordinator, Office of Study Abroad and International Exchange

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Vicky Hartwell, Director of Graduate Fellowships and Student Support, Graduate School and International Education
Monica Moore, Director of Premedical and Healthcare Planning, Honors College

STAFF GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2020

Anne Raines, Senior Director for Academic Initiatives, Student Success Center
Judy Schwab, Associate Vice Chancellor for Administration, Emeritus

STAFF GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2019

Chelsea Hodge, Associate Director of Recruitment and Grants Management, Honors College
Sarah Malloy, Associate Director, Office of Study Abroad and International Exchange

STAFF GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2018

Thomas Carter III, Assistant Dean for Academics and Student Affairs, College of Engineering
Leslie Yingling, Director of the Center for Multicultural and Diversity Education

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Jason Blankenship, Director of Retention and Student Advising, Honors College

Barbara Lofton, Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Sam M. Walton College of Business

STAFF GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2016

Noah Pittman, Assistant Dean of Recruitment and Retention, Honors College
Kathy Scheibel, Assistant Director, Research Support and Sponsored Programs

STAFF GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS, 2015

DeDe Long, Director of the Office of Study Abroad and International Exchange
Angela Oxford, Director of the Center for Community Engagement

DEPARTMENTAL GOLD MEDAL RECIPIENTS

Department of Computer Science and Computer Engineering	2023
Department of Industrial Engineering	2022
Program in Communication Sciences and Disorders	2021
Agricultural Education, Communications and Technology	2020
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 and Cultures	2004

Physics

2003

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