

Notable Scholarly Graduate Students

ACHIEVEMENTS

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Kansas State University's Graduate Student Council would like to recognize several graduate students who have earned notable scholarly recognition. All recommendations were made by K-State faculty who have worked with the students and feel the students should be recognized. This list is by no means inclusive of all the graduate student accomplishments across campus, but is a representative return from the faculty. The students who have been recommended have been grouped based on the type of achievement and by academic unit. The major professor or advisor of each student or the professor submitting the achievement is recognized in parentheses after each student's name and award. The Graduate Student Council acknowledges the production assistance of the K-State Division of Communications and Marketing.

EXCELLENCE AWARDEES

Several students have received outstanding student awards, achievement awards and teaching awards and are listed below. Students who have shown an exceptional leadership role are also listed below.

Agricultural Economics

Craig Smith
Awarded the 2012 Outstanding Graduate Student Research award from the Kansas Eta Chapter of Gamma Sigma Delta. (Dr. John Crespi)

Animal Sciences and Industry

Carrie Highfill
Served as Student President of the American Meat Science Association in 2011-2012. She led the organization through culmination at the Reciprocal Meat Conference at North Dakota State University in June 2012. (Dr. John Unruh)

Hyatt Frobose
Awarded the Larry R. Corah Outstanding M.S. Graduate Student Award in the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry. (Dr. Joel DeRouchey and Dr. Jim Nelssen)

Nick Shelton
Awarded the Larry R. Corah Outstanding Ph.D. Graduate Student Award in the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry. (Dr. Jim Nelssen)

Jon DeJong
Awarded the 2012 IIC Pinnacle Award sponsored by International Ingredients Corp. at the American Society of Animal Science Annual Meeting. (Dr. Joel DeRouchey)

Apparel and Textiles

Shelia West
Awarded the Drake Martin Commitment to Social Justice Award. (Ms. Kelby Polfer)

Ceramics

Jarred Pfeiffer
Nominated for the Graduate Student Council Award for Graduate Student Teaching Excellence, Kansas State University. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)

Chemical Engineering

Clint Frye
Recipient of a 2012 National Science Foundation East Asia and Pacific Summer Institute program. Clint spent 10 weeks in the summer of 2012 working at the National Institute for Materials Science in Tsukuba, Ibaraki, Japan. He worked with Professor Takao Mori, a scientist internationally recognized for his research on boron compound thermoelectric materials, materials that are capable of directly converting waste heat into electricity. (Dr. James Edgar)

Chemistry

Emilie Guidez
Awarded the Chemical Computing Group Excellence Award this August. This award is a national award that recognizes outstanding graduate students in computational chemistry. (Dr. Christine Aikens)

Curriculum and Instruction

Cecilia Hernandez
Awarded the Association of Teacher Educators 2013 Distinguished Dissertation Award. (Dr. Kay Ann Taylor)

Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology

Getahun Agga
Selected as a Phi Kappa Phi member. He was inducted on April 18 at the Graduate School with Dean Carol Shanklin. (Dr. H. Morgan Scott)

Stephanie Shishido
Received the Outstanding Award for Poster Presentation at the Central States Society of Toxicology. (Dr. Annelise Nguyen)

Economics

- Patrick Scott Awarded the Best Graduate Paper Award. (Dr. Steve Cassou)
- Mercy Palamuleni Awarded the Graduate Student Teaching Award. (Dr. Bill Blankenau)

Educational Leadership

- Kevin P. Shea Selected as the Instructor of the Year (2012) for Command and General Staff College. (Dr. Sarah Fishback)
- Bridget Stegman She played a valuable role during the 2011-12 school year in the Topeka Public Schools Mentoring Program by redesigning a training based on research of best practices. It was very well received by mentors and mentees. Also, she conducted a pilot research study that investigated support systems in place for new teachers employed in schools with high rates of families living in poverty. On the basis of this study, revisions have been made to better meet the needs of the new teachers. This is especially significant to the field of leadership because of the large numbers of new teachers leaving the field of teaching within the first few years of employment. A manuscript summarizing the pilot study has been submitted to a refereed journal for consideration for publication. (Dr. Trudy Salsberry)
- Jerri Kemble Received a national award recognizing school superintendents for their efforts in integrating technology in schools. The Tech-Savvy Superintendent Award is given annually to only 10 school superintendents in the U.S., selected from more than 400 nominations from districts from coast to coast. (Dr. Trudy Salsberry)

Entomology

- Alysha Soper Awarded the Larry Larson Grad Student Award for Leadership in Applied Entomology from ESA. (Dr. Brian McCornack)

Financial Planning

- Brett Coffman Awarded the Certified Family Business Advisor (CFBA) at the annual meeting of the Family Firm Institute Inc., Brussels, Belgium. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
- Julie Cumbie First PFP doctoral graduate in August 2012. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Geography

- Ryan Bergstrom Kansas State University Doctoral Nominee, Midwest Association of Graduate Schools Excellence in Teaching Award. (Dr. Lisa Harrington)

Grain Science and Industry

- Natarajan Padmanabhan Awarded the 2012 Best Student Paper Award from the Engineering and Processing Division at the AACCI Annual Meeting. (Dr. Sajid Alavi)
- Hongzhou Huang Awarded the Anheuser-Busch Fellowship. (Dr. Susan Sun)
- Hien Vu Received the Ming-Long Liao/Paul Seib Graduate Student Achievement Award. (Dr. Yong-Cheng Shi)
- Sherrill Cropper Received the Dr. Dick Hahn Distinguished Student Leadership Award. (Dr. Jon Faubion)
- Andrew Mense Received the Richard Elmore Brown Graduate Student Teaching Award from the College of Agriculture while teaching lab sections of Principles of Milling (GRSC 150) in coordination with Professor Chris Miller and Professor Fran Churchill. (Dr. Jon Faubion)

Interior Architecture and Product Design

- Lyndsee Johnson Awarded the ARCC/King Student Medal for Excellence in Architectural and Environmental Research by the College of Architecture, Planning and Design. The ARCC/King Medal competition serves as a forum to promote the significant design-research efforts of our students and their faculty advisors. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)

Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering

- Romil Bhandavat Received one U.S. Provisional Patent filed: R. Bhandavat and G. Singh. U.S. Prov Patent Appln; Synthesis of boron-modified polyureasilazane- for synthesis of Si(B)CN Ceramic; S/N 61/595,922; Filed February 7, 2012; Docket No. 43860-PRO. (Dr. Gurpreet Singh)

Plant Pathology

- Ismael Badillo-Vargas Awarded the Tillman Family Agriculture Graduate Student Award from Kansas State University. (Dr. Anna Whitfield)
- Christian Cruz Awarded the Tillman Family Agriculture Graduate Student Award (\$6,000). (Dr. Bill Bockus and Dr. Jim Stack)
- Derek Schneeweis Awarded the Tillman Family Agriculture Graduate Student Award from Kansas State University. (Dr. Dorith Rotenberg)

Cameron Hunter	Awarded the Eukaryotic Cell Outstanding Young Investigator Award in the Gordon Research Conference. (Dr. Richard Todd)	Sociology	David Westfall	Awarded the 2012 Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award from the Sociology Graduate Program for excellence in undergraduate instruction. (Dr. Gerad Middendorf)
Psychology				
Tammy Sonnentag	Awarded the Golden Key Outstanding GTA of the Year Award in spring 2012. (Dr. Mark Barnett)	Laura Logan	Awarded the 2012 Graduate Student Award for Significant Achievement in Research. (Dr. Dana Britton)	
Security Studies				
Mark Wilcox	Traveled to Yerevan, Armenia, in September 2012 to provide expert advice to the Ministry of Defense of Armenia and the Military Academy Vazgen Sargsyan on the establishment of a staff officer course for the Armenian Armed Forces. (Dr. David R. Stone)	Rebekah Carnes	Awarded the 2012 Community Service Award as Outstanding Student Volunteer. (Dr. Nadia Shapkina)	
			Awarded a 2012 Timothy R. Donoghue Graduate Scholarship from the Kansas State University Graduate School. (Dr. Nadia Shapkina)	

FELLOWSHIP AND GRANT AWARDEES

Significant fellowships or grants were awarded to the following students. A brief description of the award is included (if available).

Agronomy		Entomology	
Sarah Battenfield	Received a 2012 Monsanto Beachell-Borlaug International Scholars Program Fellowship. (Dr. Allan Fritz)	Alice Harris	Received the EIDROP Fellowship – Evidence-based Inquiry into the Distant, Remote or Past. (Dr. Brian McCornack)
Biology		Geography	
Alina De La Mota-Peynado	Awarded a GK-12 EIDRoP fellowship for 2012-2013. (Dr. Jeroen Roelofs)	Katie Costigan	Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation. (Dr. Melinda Daniels)
Chemistry		Christopher Morris	
Adam Kell	Awarded a fellowship funded by the European Social Fund's Doctoral Studies and Internationalization Program, DORA. He will travel to Estonia to conduct research at the University of Tartu under the supervision of Prof. Jörg Pieper. The DORA program is highly competitive and was established in order to foster research collaborations between outstanding researchers from foreign universities and their counterparts in Estonia. (Dr. Ryszard Jankowiak)	Fellow, Evidence-based Inquiry into the Distant, Remote or Past (EIDRoP), NSF GK-12 Program, Kansas State University. (Dr. Kendra McLaughlan)	
Steven A. Klankowski		Grain Science and Industry	
Awarded a graduate student fellowship at the 2012 NSF CMMI Engineering Research and Innovation Conference in Boston, Mass. (Dr. Jun Li)		Moses Khamis	Awarded the Dr. C.E. Walker International Graduate Student Fellowship. (Dr. Hulya Dogan)
Juhui Jeong		Awarded the Dr. C.E. Walker International New Graduate Student Fellowship. (Dr. Rebecca Miller)	
Blossom Sehgal		Awarded the U.S. Borlaug Fellowship to the Summer Institute on Global Food Security at Purdue University Center for Global Food Security, West Lafayette, Ind. (Dr. Bhadriraju Subramanyam)	
Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology		Mario Andrada	
Jolene Carlson	Awarded a fellowship award for \$110,715.90 for the FAZD Center HS-STEM Career Development Program to work on Rift Valley Fever Virus. This grant is from the National Center for Foreign Animal and Zoonotic Disease Defense (FAZD Center), in conjunction with The Center of Excellence for Emerging and Zoonotic Animal Diseases and Zoonotic Animal Disease Defense. (Dr. Juergen Richt)	Awarded the U.S. Borlaug Fellowship to the Summer Institute on Global Food Security in Purdue University Center for Global Food Security, West Lafayette, Ind. (Dr. Bhadriraju Subramanyam)	
		Moses Khamis	Awarded the 2012-2013 AACC International Foundation Graduate Fellowship (American Association of Cereal Chemists) contributed by Kellogg R&D Graduate Fellowship. (Dr. Hulya Dogan)

Swathi Sree Kodavali
Awarded the 2012-2013 AACC (American Association of Cereal Chemists) International Foundation Graduate Fellowship contributed by AACCI Raymond J. Tarleton Fund. (Dr. Sajid Alavi)

Hyma Gajula
Awarded the 2012-2013 AACC (American Association of Cereal Chemists) International Foundation Graduate Fellowship contributed by AACCI Bill Doty Graduate Fellowship. (Dr. Hulya Dogan)

Plant Pathology

Ismael Badillo-Vargas
Awarded a United States Department of Agriculture - Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Predoctoral Fellowship (\$71,340). (Dr. Anna Whitfield)

TRAVEL AWARDEES

An external travel grant was awarded to the students listed below. A brief description of the travel grant is included (if available).

Biological and Agricultural Engineering

Vahid Rahmani
Received a Graduate Student Council Travel Awards. (Dr. Stacy Hutchinson)

Biology

Vijayalakshmi Iyer
Awarded the Alvin and RosaLee Sarachek Scientific Travel Award, which recognizes exceptional achievement in scholastics and research in molecular biology at Kansas State University. This award was used to attend the sixth International Conference on Biofilms held in Miami, Fla., organized by the American Society for Microbiology. (Dr. Lynn Hancock)

Sriram Varahan
Awarded travel grants from: the fourth International Conference on Gram-Positive Pathogens, sixth ASM Conference on Biofilms, and from the Graduate Student Council-Kansas State University to attend the ASM Conference on Biofilms. (Dr. Lynn Hancock)

Chemistry

Chen (Anne) Lin
Received awards from ACS that provided for all expenses associated with presence and participation at IDSS. IDSS was established to promote cross-cultural understanding and to increase international collaboration among chemistry students. (Dr. Ryszard Jankowiak)

Adam Kell
Received awards from ACS that provided for all expenses associated with their presence and participation at IDSS. IDSS was established to promote cross-cultural understanding and to increase international collaboration among chemistry students. (Dr. Ryszard Jankowiak)

Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology

Stephanie Shishido
Received the Johnson Center for Cancer Research-Graduate Student Travel Award as well as the College of Veterinary Medicine-Graduate Student Travel Award. (Dr. Annelise Nguyen)

Raghu Amachawadi
Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. H. Morgan Scott)

David Amrine
Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Drs. Brad White and Bob Larson)

Neena Kanwar
Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. H. Morgan Scott)

Sara McReynolds
Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. Mike Sanderson)

Zachary Paddock
Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. T.G. Nagaraja)

Vijaya Varma Indukuri
Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. She also received a travel award of \$750 to attend the 25th Meeting of the American Society for Rickettsiology. (Dr. Roman Ganta)

Dr. Qinfang Liu
Received a \$500 postdoctoral fellow travel grant to attend the 2012 American Society for Virology's 31st Annual Meeting held at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. (Dr. Juergen Richt)

Educational Leadership			
Jacqueline M. Gatson	Received a \$300 travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. David Thompson)	Christian Cruz	Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. Bill Bockus and Dr. Jim Stack)
Entomology			
Barbara Amoah	Received a Graduate School Travel Award. (Dr. Tom Phillips)	Bethany Grabow	Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. Erick De Wolf)
Kabita Kharel	Received a Graduate School Travel Award. (Dr. Kun Yan Zhu)	Rodrigo Pedrozo	Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. Chris Little)
Predeesh Chandran	Received a Graduate School Travel Award. (Dr. John Reese)	Zhao Peng	Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. Frank White)
Financial Planning			
Anthony Canale	Awarded a travel scholarship (2012 conference registration and \$100) from the Financial Therapy Association. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Trevor Rife	Received a travel grant from the Kansas State University Graduate Student Council. (Dr. Robert Bowden)
Grain Science and Industry			
Yanjie Bai	Received the Lola Lee Jackson Animal Welfare Foundation Fund Travel Award. (Dr. Yong-Cheng Shi)	Eric Olson	Received a travel award from the Sarachek Graduate Fellowship. (Dr. Bikram Gill)
Yixing Zhang	Received the Lola Lee Jackson Animal Welfare Foundation Fund Travel Award. (Dr. Praveen Vadlani)	Ismael Badillo-Vargas	Received an NSF-funded Travel Fellowship for the 10th Ecological Genomics Symposium 2012 (\$400). (Dr. Anna Whitfield)
Plant Pathology			
Rodrigo Pedrozo	Accepted as a member of the 2012 "Operation Student Connection" Team at the 129th Convention of the American Seed Trade Association (ASTA), one of the most important seed industry meetings in the world. This "travelship" award covers 75 percent of student airfare and hotel costs, and two-thirds of the ASTA registration fee. Rodrigo will attend the ASTA Future Seed Executives reception and the American Seed Research Foundation (ASRF) meeting where he will present his research on soybean seed pathogens in Kansas. (Dr. Chris Little)		

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES

Those students who were awarded notable scholarships are listed below, with a brief description of the scholarship (if available).

Anatomy and Physiology		Civil Engineering	
Sivasai Balivada	Awarded a Kansas State University Research Foundation Doctoral Research Scholarship. (Dr. Deryl Troyer)	Wilson Smith	One of two Kansas State University graduate students to receive a scholarship from Kansas Bio based on his research presentation at the Kansas capital. (Dr. Dunja Peric)
Chemistry		Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology	
Steven A. Klankowski	Awarded with the 2012 Kansas State University Research Doctoral Research Scholarship in June 2012. (Dr. Jun Li)	Sara McReynolds	Awarded the Timothy R. Donoghue Scholarship for 2012-2013. (Dr. Mike Sanderson)

Economics <hr/>		Jonathan Wilson	Awarded the Cain Land and Grain Value Added Agriculture Scholarship. (Dr. Praveen Vadlani)
Zijun Luo	Awarded the James Ragan Memorial Scholarship. (Dr. Yang-Ming Chang)		
Mark Melichar	Awarded the M. Jarvin Emerson Memorial Scholarship. (Dr. Lance Bachmeier)	Lauren Brewer	Awarded the Outstanding Ph.D. Student Grain Science scholarship by Corn Products Intl. (Dr. Yong-Cheng Shi)
Hedieh Shadmani	Awarded the Carroll B. Greene Memorial Scholarship and the John Nordin Memorial Scholarship. (Steve Cassou)	Swathi Sree Kodavali	Awarded the Outstanding M.S. Student Grain Science Scholarship by Corn Products Intl. (Dr. Sajid Alavi)
Entomology <hr/>		Blossom Sehgal	Awarded the 2012 Presidential Student Travel Scholarship by the North Central Branch Entomological Society. (Dr. Bhadriraju Subramanyam)
Predeesh Chandran	Awarded the Fred Clute Scholarship. (Dr. John Reese)		
Ximena Cibils	Awarded the Fred Clute Scholarship. (Dr. Brian McCornack)	Moses Khamis	Awarded the 2012-2013 IFT Feeding Tomorrow Graduate Scholarship from the Institute of Food Technologists. (Dr. Hulya Dogan)
Amy Willmott	Awarded the Spide Morris Scholarship. (Dr. Raymond Cloyd)		
Alan Burke	Awarded the Reginald Painter Scholarship. (Dr. Greg Zolnerowich)	Plant Pathology <hr/>	
Kabita Kharel	Awarded the Floyd Holmes Scholarship. (Dr. Kun Yan Zhu)	Rodrigo Pedrozo	Awarded the Roger Kreuger Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000) at the association's 129th annual convention by the American Seed Trade Association. Pedrozo, a native Brazilian, is working to complete his doctorate in seed pathology and seedborne pathogens. (Dr. Chris Little)
Family Studies and Human Services <hr/>		Miranda Gray	Awarded the Mary A. Bancroft Scholarship from the Kansas Native Plant Society. (Dr. Eduard Akhunov)
Jaimee Hartenstein	Awarded the Wesley Burr Graduate Student Scholarship Award by the Family Science Section of the National Council on Family Relations. (Dr. Mindy Stafford Markham)		
Yolanda Mitchell	Awarded the Wesley Burr Graduate Student Scholarship Award by the Family Science Section of the National Council on Family Relations. (Dr. Mindy Stafford Markham)	Sociology <hr/>	
Grain Science and Industry <hr/>		Anirban Mukherjee	Awarded the Leonard E. Bloomquist Rural Sociology Scholarship for an outstanding student in rural studies. (Dr. Richard Goe)
Sarah Gutkowski	Awarded the 2012-2013 Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) Feeding Tomorrow Graduate Scholarship. (Yong-Cheng Shi)	Nicole John	Awarded the Rotary International Graduate Student Scholarship. (Dr. Spencer Wood)
Blossom Sehgal	Awarded the Rene Buhler Memorial Scholarship. (Dr. Bh. Subramanyam)	David Westfall	Award the Cornelia and Jan Flora International Research Scholarship. (Dr. Gerard Middendorf)
Anne Rigdon	Awarded the Cain Land and Grain Value Added Agriculture Scholarship. (Dr. Dirk Maier)		

COMPETITION AWARDEES

The graduate students who received awards at conference poster competitions, oral presentation competitions, research forum presentation competitions and other similar competitions are listed below with a brief description of the entry/award (if available).

Agricultural Economics	Agronomy
<p>Brady Brewer</p> <p>Part of the first-place team, Department of Agricultural Economics, Graduate Student Case Study Competition. Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meetings, Seattle, Wash. (Drs. Christine Wilson and Allen Featherstone)</p>	<p>Andrew McGowan</p> <p>Placed first in the graduate student oral presentation competition at the “Growing the Bioeconomy” conference in Banff, Alberta, Canada. (Dr. Charles Rice)</p>
<p>Melissa Lynes</p> <p>Part of the first-place team, Department of Agricultural Economics, Graduate Student Case Study Competition. Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meetings, Seattle, Wash. (Drs. Jason Bergtold and Jeff Williams)</p>	<p>Kim Larson</p> <p>Received first place at the 2012 American Society of Agronomy – Crop Science Society of America – Soil Science Society of America (ASA-CSSA-SSSA) International Annual Meetings in the Crop Ecology, Management and Quality Division Graduate Student Poster Competition. Paper co-authored by Charles Rice and Kraig Roozeboom. (Dr. Kraig Roozeboom)</p>
<p>Rebecca Manes</p> <p>Part of the first-place team, Department of Agricultural Economics, Graduate Student Case Study Competition. Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meetings, Seattle, Wash. (Dr. Tim Dalton)</p>	<p>George Paul</p> <p>Received Best Paper Award at the 2012 ASA-CSSA-SSSA International Annual Meetings presented by the Remote Sensing of Evapotranspiration Community of the ASA Climatology and Modeling Section in its Symposium – Evapotranspiration: Monitoring, Modeling and Mapping At Point, Field and Regional Scales. His paper was co-authored by Prasanna Gowda, P.V. Vara Prasad, Terry A. Howell, Scott A. Staggenborg, Paul Colaizzi, Stacy L. Hutchinson and Robert Aiken. (Dr. V.P. Vara Prasad)</p>
<p>Sandra Contreras</p> <p>Received second place in the 2012 Kansas State Research Forum - Poster Section. (Dr. Tim Dalton)</p>	<p>Nathan Keep</p> <p>Received second place at the 2012 ASA-CSSA-SSSA International Annual Meetings in the Crop Physiology and Metabolism Division Graduate Student Oral Paper Competition for his paper co-authored by William Schapaugh, P.V. Vara Prasad and John E. Boyer. (Dr. Bill Schapaugh)</p>
<p>Matt Herrington</p> <p>Part of the honorable mention team, Department of Agricultural Economics, Graduate Student Case Study Competition, 2012 International Food and Agribusiness Marketing Association Case Study Competition, Shanghai, China. (Dr. Glynn Tonsor)</p>	<p>Pavithra Pitumpe Arachchige</p> <p>Received third place at the 2012 ASA-CSSA-SSSA International Annual Meetings in the Soil Chemistry Division Student Oral competition for her paper co-authored by Dorothy M. Menefee, Ganga Hettiarachchi, Leila Maurmann, Charles Rice and Allison Edgerley. (Dr. Ganga Hettiarachchi)</p>
<p>Michael Lindbloom</p> <p>Part of the honorable mention team, Department of Agricultural Economics, Graduate Student Case Study Competition, 2012 International Food and Agribusiness Marketing Association Case Study Competition, Shanghai, China. (Dr. John Crespi)</p>	<p>Aaron Widmar</p> <p>Received third place at the 2012 ASA-CSSA-SSSA International Annual Meetings in the Nutrient Management and Soil and Plant Analysis Division Graduate Student Poster Competition for his paper co-authored by Dorivar Ruiz Diaz. (Dr. Dorivar Ruiz Diaz)</p>
<p>Caitlin Lowe</p> <p>Part of the Honorable mention team, Department of Agricultural Economics, Graduate Student Case Study Competition, 2012 International Food and Agribusiness Marketing Association Case Study Competition, Shanghai, China. (Dr. Tim Dalton)</p>	
<p>Katie Teague</p> <p>Part of the honorable mention team, Department of Agricultural Economics, Graduate Student Case Study Competition, 2012 International Food and Agribusiness Marketing Association Case Study Competition, Shanghai, China. (Dr. Ted Schroeder)</p>	

Animal Science and Industry

- Jaymelynn Farney Received first place at the Graduate Student Oral Competition-Ph.D. Division, at the Midwest meetings of the American Society of Animal Science. (Dr. Barry Bradford)
- Josh Flohr Received first place at the Graduate Student Oral Competition-M.S. Division, Midwest American Society of Animal Science. (Dr. Jim Nelssen)
- Hyatt Frobese Received second place at the Graduate Student Poster Competition-M.S. Division, Midwest American Society of Animal Science. (Dr. Joel DeRouchey and Dr. Jim Nelssen)
- Sureemas Nitikanachana Received the Best Production Abstract Presentation at the International Pig Veterinary Society Annual Meeting. (Dr. Steve Dritz)
- Hannah Leventhal Received second place in the Alltech Young Scientist global competition, (winning the North American region). (Dr. Teresa Douthit)
- Nichole Graham Received the Best Poster Award at the 2012 Midwest SAS users group conference in Minneapolis, Minn. The poster is now a traveling poster, visiting various conferences across the nation. (Dr. Scott Beyer)

Biological and Agricultural Engineering

- Vahid Rahmani Received first place in the Kansas State Research Forum. Also, received first place in the Sigma Xi research award for work that best displayed the integration of knowledge and expertise from diverse disciplines. (Dr. Stacy Hutchinson)

Biology

- Alina De La Mota-Peynado Received first place at the biological sciences oral presentations at the Kansas State Research Forum. (Dr. Jeroen Roelofs)
- Sriram Varahan Received third place for best oral presentation amongst all biological sciences graduate students at the 17th Kansas State Research Forum. (Dr. Lynn Hancock)

Ceramics

- Steve Belz One of the Niche Awards 2012 finalists in two categories, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, Pa. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)
- David Gallagher Received the Niche Awards Winner 2012, International Juried Group Exhibition Online, Student/Ceramic Category, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, Pa. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)

Chemistry

- Steven A. Klankowski Selected to represent Kansas State University in Topeka, at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit. (Dr. Jun Li)

Civil Engineering

- Jonathan Varner Selected as a finalist for the American Concrete Institute's student fellowship. (Dr. Kyle Riding)
- Ranjit Godavarthy Received second place in the student poster competition at the Missouri Valley Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (MOVITE) spring meeting held in Lincoln, Neb. (Dr. Eugene Russell Sr.)
- Niranga Amarasingha Amarasingha's poster was placed among the top three at the Midwestern Institute of Transportation Engineering's student poster competition in Chicago, Ill. (Dr. Sunanda Dissanayake)
- Was the third-place winner for the student paper competition (Thomas J. Seburn Award) of the Missouri Valley Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers. (Dr. Sunanda Dissanayake)
- Feraidon Ataie Received a poster award at the American Ceramic Society's Cements Division conference in Austin, Texas. (Dr. Kyle Riding)

Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology

- Sureemas Nitikanachana Received the Pig Management Award for presenting the best abstract at the International Pig Veterinary Society meeting in Jeju Island, South Korea. She competed against 121 entrants, with the top 13 making presentations at the meeting. (Dr. Steve Dritz)
- Ranjni Chand Received second place in the molecular and cellular biology category at this year's American Society for Microbiology Conference. (Dr. Bob Rowland)
- Thais Albuquerque Received first place for a poster presentation at the K-State Research Forum. (Dr. Ludek Zurek)
- Jordan Bryan Received second place for an oral presentation at the K-State Research Forum. (Drs. Beth Davis and Melinda Wilkerson)
- Stephanie Shishido She has won numerous awards such as first place in Basic Science Oral Presentation and third place in Basic Science Poster Presentation at Phi Zeta Research Day. She also was one of the top 10 students from Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit. (Dr. Annelise Nguyen)

Entomology

Ximena Cibils	Received Presidential Prizes from ESA. (Dr. Brian McCornack)
Hong Geun Kim	Received Presidential Prizes from ESA. (Dr. Yoonseong Park)
Amy Willmott	Received Presidential Prizes from ESA and first place at the K-State Research Forum. (Dr. Raymond Cloyd)
	Received the NCB-ESA Research Presentation Award. (Dr. Raymond Cloyd)
Thais Albuquerque	Received first place at K-State Research Forum. (Dr. Ludek Zurek)
Kabita Kharel	Received the NCB-ESA Research Presentation Award. (Dr. Kun Yan Zhu)
Joshua Urban	Received the NCB-ESA Research Presentation Award. (Dr. Yoonseong Park)
Dong Hun (Andy) Kim	Received the NCB-ESA Research Presentation Award. (Dr. Yoonseong Park)

Geography

Christopher Morris	Won third place in the Student Poster Competition, Great Plains/Rocky Mountain Division of the Association of American Geographers. (Dr. Kendra McLauchlan)
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Grain Science and Industry

Min Jung Kim	Received the Outstanding Student Poster Presentation Award from the BioEnvironmental Polymer Society. (Dr. Susan Sun)
Navneet Grewal	Received the Outstanding Paper Award from the Corn Refiners Association at the AACCI meeting in Hollywood, Fla. (Dr. Yong-Cheng Shi)
Oscar Ramos	Part of the team that won second place for "Instant Sorghum Noodles" in the 2012 AACCI Student Product Development Competition. (Dr. Praveen Vadlani)
Swathi Sree Kodavali	Part of the team that won second place for "Instant Sorghum Noodles" in the 2012 AACCI Student Product Development Competition. (Dr. Praveen Vadlani)
Moses Khamis	Part of the team that won second place for "Instant Sorghum Noodles" in the 2012 AACCI Student Product Development Competition. (Dr. Praveen Vadlani)
Anubha Garg	Part of the team that won second place for "Instant Sorghum Noodles" in the 2012 AACCI Student Product Development Competition. (Dr. Praveen Vadlani)

Blossom Sehgal

Received the 2012 Outstanding Presentation of Entomological Research (runner-up) from the Entomological Society of America, North Central Branch Meeting, Lincoln, Neb. (Dr. Bhadriraju Subramanyam)

Anne Rigdon

First Place Poster at the K-State NSF IGERT Corporate Sustainability Symposium. (Dr. Dirk Maier)

Byung-Jun Ahn

Received the AOCs Honored Student Award and Presentation at the American Oil Chemists' Society 103rd Annual Meeting and Expo. (Dr. Susan Sun)

Byung Jun (Kollbe) Ahn

Received the AOCs Manuchehr Eijadi Award at the American Oil Chemists' Society 103rd Annual Meeting and Expo. (Dr. Susan Sun)

Interior Architecture and Product Design

Kyle Emme

Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Sierra Cuda

Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Cierra Myers

Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

John Rice

Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Victoria Beaulieu

Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Beth Dringenberg

Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Josh Goldstein

Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Kurtis Heinen

Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Public Health

John Rice
Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Chelsea Raybern

One of the authors of the top research poster awarded during the Kansas Public Health Association (KPHA) annual conference in Topeka. The other authors were Dr. Michael Moore (current Diagnostic Lab employee and MPH Student), Dr. Ingrid Garrison (DMP Adjunct Faculty) and Dr. Cathy Hanlon (DMP and MPH Faculty). (Dr. Michael Cates)

Jacinta Stecklein
Finalist in International Woodworking Fair. (Professors associated with the IWF finalists are Dr. Rod Troyer, Dr. David Brown and Dr. Steve Davidson)

Dr. Michael Moore

One of the authors of the top research poster awarded during the Kansas Public Health Association (KPHA) annual conference in Topeka. The other authors were Chelsea Raybern (K-State MPH Graduate), Dr. Ingrid Garrison (DMP Adjunct Faculty) and Dr. Cathy Hanlon (DMP and MPH Faculty). (Dr. Derek Mosier)

Plant Pathology

Vuyiswa Bushula
Awarded first prize (\$500 from Pioneer Inc.) in The Great Plains Sorghum Conference/Sorghum Improvement Conference of North America (SICNA). The SICNA conference is organized yearly and highlights current sorghum research in the areas of agronomy, physiology, biotechnology, utilization, entomology and plant pathology. (Dr. Chris Little)

Veterinary Medicine

Megan Lawrence

Received first prize in the poster competitions of Phi Zeta Research Day as well as at the Morris Animal Foundation annual meeting. Both posters contained components of her master's research project. (Dr. Katherine KuKanich)

Miranda Gray
Received first place for the Graduate Student Poster Presentation in the American Society of Plant Biologists Midwest Section. (Dr. Eduard Akhunov)

Damien J. Downes
Presented at the K-State Research Forum. His poster was selected for presentation at the Student Research Presentations for the Kansas Board of Regents. (Dr. Richard B. Todd)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

Graduate students who were selected to give oral or poster presentations at professional conferences are listed below with a brief description of the conference (if available). Students who attended a prestigious conference or had their work included in an exhibition are also listed below.

Biochemistry

Ying Ding
Was invited and will present a platform on Special Interest Group at the American Society for Cell Biology meeting in San Francisco, Calif. (Dr. Annelise Nguyen)

Sriram Varahan

Presented at the Division of Biology Graduate Forum, Graduate Research Forum and at the Annual Meeting of the Missouri Valley Branch of the American Society for Microbiology, all in Manhattan, Also, presented one poster at the sixth ASM Conference on Biofilms, Miami, Fla., and another poster at the fourth International Conference on Gram-Positive Pathogens, Omaha, Neb. (Dr. Lynn Hancock)

Biology

Vijayalakshmi Iyer
Presented at the Division of Biology Graduate Forum, the Graduate Research Forum and at the Annual Meeting of the Missouri Valley Branch of the American Society for Microbiology, all in Manhattan. (Dr. Lynn Hancock)

Ceramics

Steve Belz

Exhibited at the 4th Biennial Concordia Continental Ceramics Competition, International Group Exhibition, Concordia University, St. Paul, Minn. Also exhibited at the NCECA National Student Juried Exhibition, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)

David Gallagher	Exhibited at the Small Favors VII, Harrison Gallery, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA., and at the NCECA National Student Juried Exhibition, Jacob Lawrence Gallery, University of Washington, Seattle, Wash. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)	Steven A. Klankowski	Has demonstrated that Si-coated carbon nanofiber arrays can be used as a Li-ion battery anode to store much more energy, at much higher charge/discharge rate, and to run many more cycles. His work has led him to five conference presentations. (Dr. Jun Li)
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Lauren Karle
 Exhibited at the Cups and Coffee, Watershed Center for Ceramic Arts, Seattle, Wash., and at the Ecumene: Global Interface in American Ceramics, Santa Fe, NM. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)

Communication Studies

Laurie Stewart

Presented at the Organizational Communication Research Conference. This is a highly competitive communication conference for graduate student work where only 30 percent of the submissions were selected for presentations. What makes this more impressive is that Laurie and another communication studies student were the only master's students to present to an audience of around 120 people, all other presenters were Ph.D. students in their third or fourth year of study. (Dr. Sarah Riforgiate)

Jarred Pfeiffer
 Exhibited at the following: Earth, National Juried Exhibition, Henry M. Kashiwa Eco Gallery, La Forge, NY., 4th Annual Vision of the Flint Hills, Buttonwood Art Space, Kansas City, Mo., Subconscious Oscillations: The Constant Mind, Mark A. Chapman Gallery, Kansas State University, 2012 International Juried Abstract Art Contest (online), Art Kudos International Competition and Exhibition, where 356 artists submitted and only 157 accepted awards. Elements of Art: Texture, Still Point Art Gallery (online); Passages, Pathways and Portal; The Flow Art Space, Minneapolis, Minn., Finn Fest Art Exhibition, The Community Store, Frederick, S.D., and Plight of the Pollinators, Blue Horse Arts Center, Watertown, Conn. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)

DaJung Woo

Presented at the Organizational Communication Research Conference. This is a highly competitive communication conference for graduate student work where only 30 percent of the submissions were selected for presentations. What makes this more impressive is that DaJung and another Communication Studies student were the only Masters students to present to an audience of around 120 people, all other presenters were Ph.D. students in their third or fourth year of study. (Dr. Sarah Riforgiate)

Sarah McNutt
 Exhibited at THE ARTISTS AMONG US II, The Burchfield Penney Art Center Members' Exhibition, Buffalo, N.Y. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)

Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology

Jingqun Ma

Selected to present at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit. (Dr. Juergen Richt)

Chemistry

Chen (Anne) Lin
 Selected to attend the ACS International-Domestic Student Summit (IDSS) to be held in Raleigh, N.C., in conjunction with the Southeast Regional ACS Meeting. Working as a team with Adam Kell, they submitted an application that was one of 10 selected from a large and highly competitive pool. (Dr. Ryszard Jankowiak)

Adam Kell
 Selected to attend the ACS International-Domestic Student Summit (IDSS) to be held in Raleigh, N.C., in conjunction with the Southeast Regional ACS Meeting. Working as a team with Chen Lin, they submitted an application that was one of 10 selected from a large and highly competitive pool. (Dr. Ryszard Jankowiak)

Educational Leadership

Jacqueline M. Gatson

Attended two Carnegie Project on the Education Doctorate (CPED) Convening Highlights with the financial support of the College of Education and the educational leadership department, where she had the distinct opportunity to speak on behalf of Kansas State University among other represented institutions about our Ed.D. program in educational leadership. She participated in the site visit to the St. Louis Community College, Bridge to Biotech Program and attended the ATE National Principal Investigators Conference in Washington, D.C., with the entire research team. (Dr. David Thompson)

Attended the Oxford Round Table, Higher Education Symposium at Oxford, England. She held a H.E.E.L. (Higher Education Empowering Ladies) the World Silent Shoe Auction and Mixer to raise funds for registration and travel expenses. Due to this experience, she was asked to author a chapter in a book proposal by Dr. Athena Vongalis Macrow of Deakin University of Burwood, Australia. (Dr. David Thompson)

Teara Flagg

Attended convenings on the progress of the educational doctorate at universities across the country in Vermont, California and Virginia. She also worked with Michael Neel to co-present a session at the next convening for graduate students to recreate the student role within CPED and a voice for students within CPED. During the convening in October 2012, she was personally recognized to speak on behalf of graduate students pursuing an Ed.D. (Dr. David Thompson)

Anthony Canale

As part of the Financial Therapy Qualitative Research Team, won outstanding conference research paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Columbia, Mo. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Dan Danford

As part of the Financial Therapy Qualitative Research Team, won outstanding conference research paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Columbia, Mo. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Kelley Williams

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Erika Rasure

As part of the Financial Therapy Qualitative Research Team, won outstanding conference research paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Columbia, Mo. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Kurt Schindler

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Jeff Nelson

As part of the Financial Therapy Qualitative Research Team, won outstanding conference research paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Columbia, Mo. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Brett Coffman

As part of the Financial Therapy Qualitative Research Team, won outstanding conference research paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Columbia, Mo. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Engineering

Amy Northcutt

The research from her thesis was selected for presentation and publication in the conference proceedings of the 21st International Specialty Conference on Cold-Formed Steel Structures 2012 in St. Louis, Mo. (Dr. Kimberly Waggle Kramer)

Ed Horwitz

As part of the Financial Therapy Qualitative Research Team, won outstanding conference research paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Columbia, Mo. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Justin Henegar

Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Financial Planning

Anita Dale

As part of the Financial Therapy Qualitative Research Team, won outstanding conference research paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Columbia, Mo. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Ron Sages

Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)

Kurt Schindler	Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Jaime Blue	Presented at the annual meeting of the American Council on Consumer Interests, Memphis, Tenn. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Nick Carr	Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Kristen Stutz	Presented at the annual meeting of the American Council on Consumer Interests, Memphis, Tenn. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Stan Williams	Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Racquel Tibbetts	Presented at the annual meeting of the American Council on Consumer Interests, Memphis, Tenn. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Brett Coffman	Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Kurt Schindler	Invited to the Child and Youth Finance International conference in Amsterdam, Netherlands, in April 2012. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Julie Cumbie	Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Mary Bell	Invited to present at Texas Tech University Opportunity Days, Lubbock, Texas, in February 2012. Also was invited to present another presentation at KSU Foundation's Insurance and Financial Advisors Continuing Education (IFACE) conference, Manhattan, in February 2012. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Sam Cupples	Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Kinesiology <hr/>	
Mary Bell	Served as an invited panelist for Korean Financial Planning Standards Board and Korean Financial Planning Association meetings titled "Financial Planning in the U.S." in Seoul, South Korea. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Michaela Schenkelberg	Presented a paper at the Annual Conference of the International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity (ISBNPA), Austin, Texas, and at the ISBNPA Pre-conference meeting on "Measuring Parenting," Houston, Texas. (Dr. David A. Dzewaltowski)
Fred Fernatt	Presented at the annual meeting of the American Council on Consumer Interests, Memphis, Tenn. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Paige Johnson	Presented a paper at the Annual Conference of the International Society for Behavioral Nutrition and Physical Activity (ISBNPA), Austin, Texas, and at the ISBNPA Pre-conference meeting on "Measuring Parenting," Houston, Texas. (Dr. Ric Rosenkranz)
Jeff Nelson	Presented at the annual meeting of the American Council on Consumer Interests, Memphis, Tenn. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering <hr/>	
Miyoung Yook	Presented at the annual meeting of the American Council on Consumer Interests, Memphis, Tenn. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Romil Bhandavat	Presented two research talks at the MRS meeting in San Francisco, Calif., three research talks at the APS meeting in Boston, Mass., and five research talks with one colleague at the Materials Science and Technology Conference 2012 in Pittsburgh, Pa. (Dr. Gurpreet Singh)
Anthony Canale	Presented at the annual meeting of the American Council on Consumer Interests, Memphis, Tenn. (Dr. Sonya Britt)	Lamuel David	Presented five research talks with one colleague at the Materials Science and Technology Conference 2012 in Pittsburgh, Pa. (Dr. Gurpreet Singh)

Sociology

Sarah Beach

Presented papers at the following meetings: one at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association and two at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society. (Dr. Laszlo Kulcsar)

Ana Luiza de Campos Paula

Presented a paper at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society. (Dr. Gerad Middendorf)

Michael Miller

Presented a paper at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society. (Dr. Gerad Middendorf)

Albert Iaroi

Presented a paper at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society. (Dr. Laszlo Kulcsar)

Laura Logan

Presented a paper at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. (Dr. Dana Britton)

Sarah Donley

Presented a paper at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society. (Dr. Chardie Baird)

NOTABLE JOB PLACEMENTS AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The following students have received notable job placements, were asked to serve on prestigious committee/councils or participated in internships. A brief description of the job placement, committee assignment or internship (if available) is included for each student.

Educational Leadership

Jacqueline M. Gatson

Was offered a position as a National Science Foundation/Advanced Technological Education Targeted Research Assistant from the Principal Investigator, Dr. Norena Badway of San Francisco State University. (Dr. David Thompson)

Security Studies

Saad Alsubaie

Was offered a research position (Distinguished International Security Studies Fellow) at the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations. (Dr. David R. Stone)

Public Health

Chelsea Raybern

Completed the public health field experience at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE), where she was offered and accepted a position. (Dr. Michael Cates)

NOTABLE PUBLISHED WORKS

The following students have published notable works. A brief description of the written work and journal (if available) is included for each student.

Agricultural Economics

Adriana Chacon-Cascante

Published in the Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics. (Dr. John Crespi)

Yan Heng

Published in Transportation Research Part D: Transport and Environment. (Dr. Hikaru Hanawa Peterson)

Linda D. Burbidge

Published in the Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics. (Dr. John Crespi)

Yang J. Chen

Published in the Clothing and Textiles Research Journal. (Dr. John Crespi)

Veronica Pozo

Published in the Journal of Agricultural Economics. (Dr. Ted Schroeder)

Lee L. Schulz

Published in Agribusiness and in Agricultural Economics. (Dr. John Crespi)

Tucker Schumacher

Published in Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics. (Dr. John Crespi)

Alexi Thompson

Published in Economics Letters. (Dr. Jeff Peterson)

Craig M. Smith

Published in the Journal of Natural Resources and Life Sciences Education. (Dr. John Crespi)

Matt J. Pachta

Published in the Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics. (Dr. John Crespi)

Lance C. Zimmerman

Published in the Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics. (Dr. John Crespi)

Anatomy and Physiology

Steven W. Copp

Published peer-reviewed research publications in the Journal of Physiology and in the Canadian Journal of Physiology and Pharmacology. Also published presentations at national scientific meetings - Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise, FASEB Journal, Integ. Biol. Exerc. IV. (Dr. David C. Poole and Dr. Timothy I. Musch)

Daniel M. Hirai

Published twice in the Journal of Applied Physiology and once in the American Journal of Physiology - Heart and Circulatory Physiology. Also published presentations at national scientific meetings - FASEB J., Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise and Integ. Biol. Exerc. IV. (Dr. David C. Poole and Dr. Timothy I. Musch)

Biochemistry

Ying Ding

Published one article in the Journal of Anti-Cancer Drugs and another article in the Journal of Cancer Science & Therapy. (Dr. Annelise Nguyen)

Biology

Jinping Fu

First author on papers describing studies that made exceptional contributions to the research knowledge base. Her study provides the first evidence that a gradient of signaling activity is required to pattern the A-P axis in insects, similar to most other metazoans, excluding fruitflies (the most popular insect model organism). (Dr. Sue Brown)

Ezzat El Sherif

First author on papers describing studies that made exceptional contributions to the research knowledge base from the Genetic Graduate Program. His study provided the first evidence for an insect segmentation clock functioning throughout embryonic development, indicating that most insects make segments using mechanisms similar to our own. (Dr. Sue Brown)

Vijayalakshmi Iyer

Published in the Journal of Bacteriology and in Microbiology. (Dr. Lynn Hancock)

Sriram Varahan

Published in Clinical Immunology. (Dr. Lynn Hancock)

Ceramics

Lauren Karle

Published twice in Ceramics Monthly. (Dr. Dylan J. Beck)

Chemistry

Abhi Sinha

Working with Kanishka Epa, has recently had some work (with able assistance from an undergraduate, Christine Spartz) accepted for publication in a top-rated peer-reviewed international journal titled ChemCommun (published by the Royal Society of Chemistry). Not only was the paper accepted very quickly, the work also will be featured on the cover of a forthcoming issue before the end of the year. Abhi and Kanishka have developed solvent-free synthesis of several specialty chemicals motivated by the importance of "green chemistry." Since the synthesis can be done through simple mortar-pestle grinding, and the workup of the products is readily achieved using nothing but water, we have access to a very convenient and scalable process that is versatile, energy efficient and environmentally benign. (Dr. Christer B. Aakeröy)

Kanishka Epa

Working with Abhi Shina, has recently had some work (with able assistance from an undergraduate, Christine Spartz), accepted for publication in a top-rated peer-reviewed international journal entitled ChemCommun (published by the Royal Society of Chemistry). Not only was the paper accepted very quickly, the work also will be featured on the cover of a forthcoming issue before the end of the year. Abhi and Kanishka have developed solvent-free synthesis of several specialty chemicals motivated by the importance of "green chemistry." Since the synthesis can be done through simple mortar-pestle grinding, and the workup of the products is readily achieved using nothing but water, we have access to a very convenient and scalable process that is versatile, energy efficient and environmentally benign. (Dr. Christer B. Aakeröy)

Sheelu Panikkattu	Published two peer-reviewed manuscripts in high-impact international journals in the last 10 months, and a third manuscript is currently pending. Sheelu's work is geared toward improving our understanding of how molecules recognize each other and how they communicate, and she is utilizing this information to assemble individual molecules into crystalline materials with desirable functions and properties. Although fundamental in nature, Sheelu's work has numerous practical application and thanks to her efforts we recently signed a collaborative research agreement with Syngenta AG, a world leading producer of agrichemicals. Sheelu is now developing technologies for more efficient delivery of herbicides and pesticides that can minimize unwanted environmental impacts. (Dr. Christer Aakeröy)	Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology	Stephanie Shishido	Published an article in PLoS ONE. (Dr. Annelise Nguyen)
Bipin Pandey	Discovered the formation of self-organized nanoporous gallium oxide by anodization of metallic gallium. His achievement has been reported in Langmuir, the leading journal in colloid and surface sciences. (Dr. Takashi Ito)	Engineering	Amy Northcutt	The research from her thesis was selected for presentation and publication in the conference proceedings of the 21st International Specialty Conference on Cold-Formed Steel Structures 2012 in St. Louis, Mo. (Dr. Kimberly Waggle Kramer)
Khanh Hoa Tran Ba	Revealed millimeter-scale alignment of cylindrical block copolymer domains induced by solvent vapor penetration using a cutting-edge fluorescence technique. His achievement has been reported in Journal of Physical Chemistry, Letter, one of the leading journals in Physical Chemistry. (Dr. Takashi Ito)	Financial Planning	Jamie Lynn Garrett	Published an article in the Gulf Coast Business Journal in August 2012. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Steven A. Klankowski	Has demonstrated that Si-coated carbon nanofiber arrays can be used as a Li-ion battery anode to store much more energy, at much higher charge/discharge rate, and to run many more cycles. His work has led to one accepted paper in the Journal of Materials Chemistry, published in Journal of Materials Chemistry and two provisional patent applications filed with an industrial collaborator. (Dr. Jun Li)		Ron Sages	Published in Trusts & Estates Magazine. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Civil Engineering			Anita Dale	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Wilson Smith	Smith's research was highlighted in the "First Look" section of the March 2012 issue of the American Society of Engineering Education's Prism magazine. (Dr. Dunja Peric)		Dan Danford	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Curriculum and Instruction			Kelley Williams	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
Stephanie Pearson	Published in the following: Global Childhood Studies and Education Nation: NBC Online. (Dr. Kay Ann Taylor)		Erika Rasure	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
			Kurt Schindler	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
			Brett Coffman	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
			Julie Cumbie	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
			Sam Cupples	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
			Justin Henegar	Published in the Journal of Financial Therapy. (Dr. Sonya Britt)
		History	Pat Proctor	Jointly with David Oakley, published in the Journal of Strategic Security. (Dr. David R. Stone)
		Interior Architecture and Product Design	Audrey George	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)
			Margaret Bierschwal	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)
			Kanishka Jayanetti	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)
			Berta Navarro	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)

Alexis Kiel	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Ryan Goetsch	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)
Chloe Lewis	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Kyle Emme	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)
Jessica Motz	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Jaimie Tosh	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)
Lee Watson	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Chelsey Baliva	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)
Sierra Cuda	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Kinesiology	
Carrisa Loher	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Scott K. Ferguson	Published a peer-reviewed research publication in The Journal of Physiology. Also published presentations at national scientific meetings, including Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise and in Integ. Biol. Exerc. IV. (Dr. David C. Poole and Dr. Timothy I. Musch)
Richard Thompson	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Clark T. Holdsworth	Published presentations at national scientific meetings - Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise and in Integ. Biol. Exerc. IV. (Dr. David C. Poole and Dr. Timothy I. Musch)
Nadia Aguayo	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering	
Ashley Culler	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Romil Bhandavat	Published three articles: two of them in ACS-Applied Materials and Interfaces and one in the Journal of Physical Chemistry Letters. (Dr. Gurpreet Singh)
Felicia Balestrere	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	Security Studies	
Darcy McDonough	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)	David Oakley	Jointly with Pat Proctor, published in the Journal of Strategic Security. (Dr. David R. Stone)
Darra Derheim	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)		
Tiffany Hoffman	Abstract accepted to Environmental Design Research Association. (Dr. Vibhavari Jani)		

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