

Notable Scholarly Graduate Student

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 student 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 professor submitting the recognition is noted in parentheses after each student's name and award.

EXCELLENCE AWARDEES

Several students have received outstanding student awards, achievement awards and teaching awards and are listed below.

Adult and Continuing Education

Ashley Gleiman Received the 2011 Phi Kappa Phi Love of Learning Award (*Dr. Carol Shanklin*)

Animal Sciences and Industry; Veterinary Medicine

Hannah Leventhal Received the 2011 Phi Kappa Phi Love of Learning Award (*Dr. Carol Shanklin*)

Civil Engineering

Wilson Smith Received the Kansas State University Transportation Center Student of the Year Award for 2011 (*Dr. Alok Bhandari*)

Curriculum and Instruction

Lacey Finley Received the Globe University, Minnesota School of Business Online Campus Faculty Member of the Year Award (*Dr. Rosemary Talab*)

Debbie Sanders Received a Best Practices Award for Distance Learning Programming (*Dr. Rosemary Talab*)

Economics

Zijun Luo Received the Best Graduate Paper Award (*Dr. Dong Li*)

Patrick Scott Received a Graduate Student Teaching Award (*Dr. Dong Li*)

Mark Melichar Received a Graduate Student Teaching Award (*Dr. Dong Li*)

Entomology

Alysha Soper Received the 2011 Larry Larson Graduate Student Award for Leadership in Applied Entomology by the Entomological Society of America (*Dr. David Margolies*)

Grain and Science Industry

Adrian Martinez-Kawas Initiated into Gamma Sigma Delta, the honorary society of agriculture at the Eta Chapter's 94th annual banquet at the K-State Alumni Center

Paul Mitchell Initiated into Gamma Sigma Delta, the honorary society of agriculture at the Eta Chapter's 94th annual banquet at the K-State Alumni Center.

Kyle Probst Selected as one of fifty graduate students and early career scientists to interact with PepsiCo's Research and Development leadership and participate in the PepsiCo/New York Academy of Sciences Career Day (*Dr. Carol Shanklin and Dr. Beverly McGee*)

Music

Christopher Nichols Received the 2011 Phi Kappa Phi Love of Learning Award and Professional Development Award (*Dr. Carol Shanklin*)

EXCELLENCE AWARDEES CONTINUED

Sociology

Sarah Beach	Received the Leonard E. Bloomquist Rural Sociology Scholarship for an outstanding student in rural studies <i>(Dr. Gerad Middendorf)</i>	Kara Dillard	Received the 2011 Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award from the sociology graduate program for excellence in undergraduate instruction <i>(Dr. Robert Schaeffer)</i>
Andrea Button	Received the 2011 Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award from the sociology graduate program for excellence in undergraduate instruction <i>(Dr. Robert Schaeffer)</i>		

FELLOWSHIP AND GRANT AWARDEES

Significant fellowships or grants were awarded to the following students.

A brief description of the award is included (if available).

Geography

Heidi Mehl
Awarded a three-year \$100,000 EPA Science to Achieve Results, or STAR, Fellowship. She is the first K-State student to receive this prestigious fellowship. *(Dr. Melinda Daniels)*

Grain and Science Industry

Hyma Gajula
Awarded a 2011-2012 AACC International Foundation Graduate Fellowship, contributed by AACC Intl. Milling & Baking Division M. Rella Dwyer Graduate Fellowship
(Dr. Hulya Dogan)

Yanjie Bai
Awarded a 2011-2012 AACC International Foundation Graduate Fellowship, contributed by Anheuser Busch/Campbell Taggart Graduate Fellowship
(Dr. Y.C. Shi)

Kyle Probst
Awarded a 2011-2012 I-STAR BioEnergy program - Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship, or IGERT, Fellowship
(Dr. Praveen Vadlani)

TRAVEL AWARDEES

An external travel grant was awarded to the student listed below. A brief description of the travel grant is included.

Geology

Robinson Barker
Received a travel award from the Geological Society of America Annual Meeting in Minneapolis and received travel funds in terms of free registration from the American Geophysical Union for its annual meeting
(Dr. Saugata Datta)

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEES

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

Agricultural Economics

Jessica Johnson Awarded the 2011 Sigma Alpha Educational Foundation Scholarship, the 2011 Weld County Cattle Women's Scholarship and the 2011 Weld County 4-H Foundation/Martin Produce Scholarship (*Dr. John Crespi*)

Economics

Zijun Luo Awarded the James Ragan Memorial Scholarship (*Dr. Dong Li*)

Mark Melichar Awarded the M. Jarvin Emerson Memorial Scholarship (*Dr. Dong Li*)

Family Studies and Human Services

Jurdene Ingram Awarded a Poresky Scholarship/ Assistantship in the School of Family Studies and Human Services (*Dr. Joyce Baptist*)

Grain Science and Industry

Hongzhou Huang Awarded a 2011 Kansas State University Research Foundation Doctoral Scholarship for research on self-assembling pathways of peptides and their functional properties (*Dr. X. Susan Sun*)

Lauren Brewer Awarded a 2011-2012 IFT Feeding Tomorrow Scholarship in the Carbohydrate Division for research on the structure and function modifications of wheat bran for enhanced nutritional availability (*Dr. Yong-Cheng Shi*)

Yanjie Bai Awarded a 2011-2012 IFT Feeding Tomorrow Education Fund Scholarship for research on the preparation and structure characterization of octenyl succinic anhydride modified starch (*Dr. Yong-Cheng Shi*)

Sociology

Rebekah Carnes Awarded a 2011 Timothy R. Donoghue Graduate Scholarship from the Kansas State University Graduate School (*Dr. Gerard Middendorf*)

Veterinary Medicine

Naomi Ohta Awarded the "Saitama to the world scholarship," which is from the Saitama Prefecture government in Japan and amounts to approximately \$10,000-12,000/year for 4 years (*Dr. Masaaki Tamura*)

Deepthi Lakshmi Uppalapati Awarded the Dr. Albert L. Burroughs Memorial Assistance Scholarship (*Dr. Masaaki Tamura*)

Carrie Wheeler Awarded the Dr. Embert H Coles, Jr. Memorial Scholarship and the R.C. Dillman Award Scholarship (*Dr. David Anderson*)

David Amrine Awarded the Dr. John L. and Patricia L. Noordsy Scholarship (*Dr. Brad White*)

Nanhua Chen Awarded the Dr. Harish C. and Ved K. Minocha Scholarship (*Dr. Jishu Shi*)

Brandon Fraser Awarded the Dr. Albert L. Burroughs Memorial Assistance Scholarship (*Dr. Matt Miesner*)

Gretchen Grissett Awarded the Dr. Samuel M. Kruckenberg Graduate Student Assistance Scholarship and the Public Health International Experience Travel Award Scholarship (*Dr. Meredyth Jones*)

Daniel Hirai Awarded the Dr. Leo and Gloria Whitehair Graduate Research Enhancement Endowment Scholarship (*Dr. David Poole*)

Xiangdong Li Awarded the Dr. Albert L. Burroughs Memorial Assistance Scholarship and the Dr. Horst W. and Elisabeth A. Leipold Endowment Scholarship (*Dr. Jishu Shi*)

Cameon Childress Awarded the Dr. Albert L. Burroughs Memorial Assistance Scholarship (*Dr. Elizabeth Davis*)

Karin Moser Awarded the Dr. G. Roger and Irene J. Spencer Memorial Scholarship in Veterinary Medicine (*Dr. Robert Larson*)

Allison Nelson Awarded the Dr. G. Roger and Irene J. Spencer Memorial Scholarship in Veterinary Medicine (*Dr. Michael Cates*)

Naomi Ohta Awarded the Dr. Charles E. Cornelius Award in Anatomy and Physiology Scholarship (*Dr. Masaaki Tamura*)

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.

Agricultural Economics

David Boussios	Member of first place case study team at the International Food and Agribusiness Management Association, or IFAMA, Case Study Competition in Frankfurt, Germany (<i>Dr. John Crespi</i>)
Brady Brewer	Member of first place case study team at the International Food & Agribusiness Management Association, or IFAMA, Case Study Competition in Frankfurt, Germany, and member of second place case study team at the Agricultural & Applied Economics Association, or AAEEA, Graduate Student Case Study Competition in Pittsburgh (<i>Dr. John Crespi</i>)
Elizabeth Canales	Member of fourth place case study team at the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, or AAEEA, Graduate Student Case Study Competition in Pittsburgh (<i>Dr. John Crespi</i>)
Jason Fewell	Awarded second place at the 2011 Kansas State University Bioenergy Symposium student poster session (<i>Dr. John Crespi</i>)
Jaeljattin Jaen-Celada	Member of first place case study team at the International Food and Agribusiness Management Association, or IFAMA, Case Study Competition in Frankfurt, Germany (<i>Dr. John Crespi</i>)
Jessica Johnson	Member of first place case study team at the International Food and Agribusiness Management Association, or IFAMA, Case Study Competition in Frankfurt, Germany (<i>Dr. John Crespi</i>)
Brian Lauer	Member of second place case study team at the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, or AAEEA, Graduate Student Case Study Competition in Pittsburgh (<i>Dr. John Crespi</i>)
Cooper Morris	Member of first place case study team at the International Food and Agribusiness Management Association, or IFAMA, Case Study Competition in Frankfurt, Germany, and member of second place case study team at the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, or AAEEA, Graduate Student Case Study Competition in Pittsburgh (<i>Dr. John Crespi</i>)

Agronomy

Miguel Arango	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (<i>Graduate Student Council</i>)
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Animal Sciences and Industry

Kyle Steele	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (<i>Graduate Student Council</i>)
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Apparel, Textiles and Interior Design

Lushan (Sarina) Sun	Exhibited two fiber art pieces at the juried design exhibition for the International Textile and Apparel Association in Philadelphia and received the Award for Sustainable Design by the Educators for Socially Responsible Apparel Business for one piece (<i>Dr. Sherry Haar</i>)
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Chemistry

Steven Klankowski	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (<i>Graduate Student Council</i>)
Ayomi Perera	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (<i>Graduate Student Council</i>)

Civil Engineering

Wilson Smith	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (<i>Graduate Student Council</i>)
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Computing and Information Sciences

Heqing Huang	Received the Best Student Paper Award at the Annual Computer Security Applications Conference, or ACSAC (Dr. Xinming (Simon) Ou)
Su Zhang	Received the Best Student Paper Award at the Annual Computer Security Applications Conference, or ACSAC (Dr. Xinming (Simon) Ou)

Diagnostic Medicine and Pathobiology

Jingqun Ma	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (Graduate Student Council)
Stephanie Shishido	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (Graduate Student Council)

Economics

Laura Chen	Received a Notable Student Paper Award for presenting one of the best graduate student papers at the 2010 Missouri Valley Economic Association, or MVEA (Dr. Dong Li)
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Entomology

Ximena Cibils Stewart	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (Graduate Student Council)
Ximena Cibils	Awarded second place in the Presidential Prizes at the annual meeting of the Entomological Society of America for poster presentation (Dr. David Margolies)
Amy Willcott	Awarded first place in the Presidential Prizes at the annual meeting of the Entomological Society of America for poster presentation (Dr. David Margolies)
Hong Geun Kim	Awarded second place in the Presidential Prizes at the annual meeting of the Entomological Society of America for poster presentation (Dr. David Margolies)

History

Theresa Young	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (Graduate Student Council)
James Young	Placed second in the annual John A. Adams ’71 Cold War Essay Prize, sponsored by the Center for Military History and Strategic Analysis at the Virginia Military Institute (Dr. Louise Breen)

Music

Andrew Feyes	Selected as one of two students to perform and study with members of the Kansas State University Trumpet Ensemble in Paris, France, with acclaimed international trumpet performer, Ibrahim Maalouf (Dr. Frederick Burrack)
James Johnson	Selected as one of two students to perform and study with members of the Kansas State University Trumpet Ensemble in Paris, France, with acclaimed international trumpet performer, Ibrahim Maalouf (Dr. Frederick Burrack)

Plant Pathology

Vuyiswa Bushala	Selected as one of 10 students at the “Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session” who represented Kansas State University at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit in Topeka (Graduate Student Council)
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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.

Anatomy and Physiology

Daniel M. Hirai Will present at the 2012 Experimental Biology and Microcirculation meeting in San Diego and the 2012 American College of Sports Medicine meeting in San Francisco *(Dr. David Poole)*

Steven W. Copp Will present at the 2012 Experimental Biology and Microcirculation meeting in San Diego and the 2012 American College of Sports Medicine meeting in San Francisco *(Dr. Timothy Musch)*

Naomi Ohta Presented at the 2nd American Association for Cancer Research International Conference on Frontiers in Basic Cancer Research in San Francisco *(Dr. Masaaki Tamura)*

Mary Bell

Presented with Dr. John Grable and Dr. Sonya at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Athens, Ga., and advanced to the second round of the Capitol Graduate Research Summit with this poster *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Ron Sages

Presented a paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Athens, Ga., and presented a paper at the Academy of Financial Services annual conference in Las Vegas *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Julie Cumbie

Presented a paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Athens, Ga. *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Scott Spann

Presented a paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Athens, Ga. *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Entomology

Erik Echeagaray Presented with Dr. Raymond Cloyd at the 59th Annual Meeting of the Entomological Society of America in Reno, Nev. *(Dr. David Margolies)*

German Vargas Presented a poster and presented with Dr. J.P. Michaud and Dr. James Nechols at the 59th Annual Meeting of the Entomological Society of America in Reno, Nev. *(Dr. David Margolies)*

Matthew J. Sellner Presented a talk with Dr. James Campbell, Dr. Frank Arthur and Dr. Thomas W. Phillips at the 59th Annual Meeting of the Entomological Society of America in Reno, Nev. *(Dr. David Margolies)*

Anita Dale

Presented a paper at the Financial Therapy Association annual conference in Athens, Ga., and presented a paper and poster at the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education annual conference in Jacksonville, Fla. *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

NaRita Anderson

Presented a paper at the Academy of Financial Services annual conference in Las Vegas and presented a paper at the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education annual conference in Jacksonville, Fla. *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Fred Fernatt

Presented a paper at the Academy of Financial Services annual conference in Las Vegas *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Family Studies and Human Services

Matthew Johnson Presented a paper at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations in Orlando, Fla. *(Dr. Jared Anderson)*

Adryanna Siqueira Drake Presented a poster at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations in Orlando, Fla., and presented a poster at the annual conference of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy *(Dr. Jared Anderson)*

G. Cole Ratcliffe Presented a paper at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations in Orlando, Fla. *(Dr. Jared Anderson)*

Rebekah Adams Presented a paper at the annual conference of the National Council on Family Relations in Orlando, Fla. *(Dr. Jared Anderson)*

Rob Rodermund

Presented a paper at the Academy of Financial Services annual conference in Las Vegas *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Kurt Schindler

Presented a poster at the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education annual conference in Jacksonville, Fla. *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Scott Spann

Presented a poster at the Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education annual conference in Jacksonville, Fla. *(Dr. Kristy Archuleta)*

Geology

Robinson Barker	Presented at the Geological Society of America meeting in Minneapolis, presented at the American Geophysical Union annual meeting in San Francisco and presented at the Department of Energy's Carbon Storage Program Infrastructure annual review meeting in Pittsburgh <i>(Dr. Saugata Datta)</i>
Andrew Neal	Presented a continuation of his work at K-State: "Linking sediment geochemistry to arsenic and manganese mobility in Murshidabad, West Bengal, India" <i>(Dr. Saugata Datta)</i>
O.C. Eke	Presented "Nitrate dynamics in a Kansas grassland – effect on ecosystem health" <i>(Dr. Saugata Datta)</i>

Kinesiology

Clark T. Holdsworth	Will present at the 2012 American College of Sports Medicine national meeting in San Francisco <i>(Dr. Timothy Musch)</i>
Scott K. Ferguson	Will present at the 2012 American College of Sports Medicine national meeting in San Francisco <i>(Dr. Timothy Musch)</i>

Physics

Maia Magrakvelidze	Presented at the annual meeting of the APS Division of Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics, or DAMOP, presented at the International Conference on Photonic, Electronic and Atomic Collisions, or ICPEAC, and presented at the annual Wildcorn meeting <i>(Dr. Uwe Thumm)</i>
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Sociology

Sarah Beach	Presented a poster at the Kansas NSF EPSCoR Biofuels and Climate Change: Farmers' Land Use Decisions Research Symposium and presented at the Sustainable Agriculture Education Association national conference in Lexington, Ky. <i>(Dr. Laszlo Kulcsar and Dr. Gerard Middendorf)</i>
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NOTEABLE JOB PLACEMENTS AND COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The following students have received notable job placements or were asked to serve on prestigious committees or councils. A brief description of the job placement or committee assignment is included for each student.

Geology

Robinson Barker	Received a summer internship at a Department of Energy sponsored laboratory for undertaking masters research experimentation at the National Energy Technology Laboratory in Pittsburgh <i>(Dr. Saugata Datta)</i>
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History

Diana Holland	Serving as a U.S. Army War College Fellow at the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy at Georgetown University <i>(Dr. Louise Breen)</i>
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Sociology

Kara Dillard	Accepted a tenure-track assistant professor position in sociology at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks <i>(Dr. Robert Schaeffer)</i>
Douglas Wallace	Accepted an assistant professor of sociology at California Baptist University <i>(Dr. Richard Goe)</i>
Egbert Zavala	Accepted a visiting assistant professor position in criminal justice at the University of Texas-El Paso <i>(Dr. Richard Goe)</i>
Charles Hawley	Accepted a position as a research consultant with the Utah Department of Health <i>(Dr. Spencer Wood)</i>
Megan McCall	Accepted a position as police response advocate coordinator at The Crisis Center in Manhattan <i>(Dr. Dana Britton)</i>

NOTABLE PUBLISHED WORKS

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

Anatomy and Physiology

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| Daniel M. Hirai | Published two first author papers in the Journal of Applied Physiology and co-authored an article in Microcirculation along with a review in the American Journal of Physiology (Dr. David Poole) |
| Steven W. Copp | Published a first author paper in Microcirculation and co-authored two papers in the Journal of Applied Physiology along with a review in the American Journal of Physiology (Dr. Timothy Musch) |

Civil Engineering

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| Shahin Nayyeri Amiri | Co-authored a book, "Elastic/Plastic Buckling of Spherical Shells under Various Loading," published by Lambert Academic Publishing (Dr. Alok Bbandari) |
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Family Studies and Human Services

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| Matthew Johnson | Published four manuscripts, including two as first author, in refereed journals (Dr. Jared Anderson) |
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Geology

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| Andrew Neal | Published an article in Geophysical Research Letters (Dr. Saugata Datta) |
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History

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| Patrick Proctor | Published a book, "Task Force Patriot and the End of Combat Operations in Iraq," with the Government Institutes, a division of Roman and Littlefield Publishers (Dr. Louise Breen) |
| Diana Holland | Published an article in Army Magazine and served on a panel about interagency challenges in Afghanistan (Dr. Louise Breen) |

Kinesiology

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| Clark T. Holdsworth | Co-authored a paper in Microcirculation (Dr. Timothy Musch) |
| Scott K. Ferguson | Co-authored a paper in Microcirculation (Dr. David Poole) |

Physics

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| Maia Magrakvelidze | Published an article in Physical Review (Dr. Uwe Thumm) |
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Contact

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