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## **K-STATE'S DEVELOPING SCHOLARS PROGRAM RECOGNIZES STUDENTS FOR EXCELLENCE**

MANHATTAN — Kansas State University's Developing Scholars Program recently recognized several of its students for outstanding work as scholars.

The Developing Scholars Program offers underrepresented students opportunities to research projects with faculty mentors. As Developing Scholars, students receive academic, social and financial support while participating in the discovery and creation of new knowledge at K-State.

Recipients of the program's James R. Coffman Awards of Excellence are recognized for taking challenging classes and working hard to maintain good grades, integrity, and showing inquisitiveness and excellence in their research work. The program also recognizes one third-year scholar with the Rita G. Perez Exemplary Scholar Award for best exemplifying the program's ideals.

K-State Developing Scholars earning awards for their work include:

Jorge Mendoza, senior in biology, Garden City, Rita G. Perez Exemplary Scholar Award.

From Greater Kansas City: Jaime Arreola, sophomore in psychology, Kansas City, Kan., First Year Developing Scholar Coffman Award of Excellence; Ariel Anib, junior in criminology and Spanish, honorable mention for the Second Year Developing Scholar Coffman Award of Excellence, and Kale Lothamer, freshman in animal sciences and industry, honorable mention for the First Year Developing Scholar Coffman Award of Excellence, both from Olathe; and Jessica Rodriguez, senior in food science and industry, Overland Park, Third Year Developing Scholar Coffman Award of Excellence.

Tamica Lige, senior in art history, Manhattan, Second Year Developing Scholar Coffman Award of Excellence.

From out of state: Leonel Hernandez, senior in construction science and management, Hooker, Okla., Third Year Developing Scholar Coffman Award of Excellence.

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