



Upsilon Pi Epsilon

International Honor Society for the Computing and Information Disciplines

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UPE NewsBrief – **Scholarship Awards & New Chapters** – September 2018

2018 Scholarship Awards - Each year the Executive Council of Upsilon Pi Epsilon evaluates a large number of scholarship applications from students at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. All scholarship applicants are required to complete a comprehensive application form including a statement on their long-term plans in the profession, a summary of their contributions to their respective UPE chapters and related student activities at their college or university. Applicants are also required to submit all college-level transcripts and a recommendation from the UPE faculty adviser. Council is pleased to present our list of Scholarship Awards for 2018.

UPE Scholar of the Year Award – The Scholar of the Year Award and the Dan Drew Award are UPE’s highest scholarship awards and are presented to applicants who, in the eyes of the Executive Council, were the most outstanding applicants in 2018.

UPE Dan Drew Award – This award is named in honor of Dr. Dan Drew, a UPE pioneer, who was the principal adviser to the six CS students who are credited with the founding of UPE at Texas A&M University in 1967.

UPE Scholarship Recipients for 2018 – \$45,000 will be Distributed to 30 UPE Members

UPE Scholar of the Year Award (\$3,000)

Craig Michael Bruenger (UG) DePaul University

Dan Drew Award (\$3,000)

Katarina Elise Ortstadt Texas Christian University

UPE Executive Council Awards (\$2,500)

Russell Larson Binaco (UG) Rowan University
Shannon Dorothy Bull (UG) Salisbury University
Lauren Estelle Gillespie (UG) Southwestern University
Michael Joshua Mendoza (UG) Brigham Young University Hawaii
Nathan B. Zhang (UG) UCLA
Leonore Leif Kaufmann (Grad) DePaul University

UPE Academic Achievement Awards (\$1,500)

Danielle Marie Fieseler (UG) St. Joseph’s College NY
Jithin Mathew Joyson (UG) Illinois Institute of Technology
Andrew Steven Michels (UG) University of South Carolina
Christopher Rodriguez (UG) Florida International University
Ayesha Saleem (UG) University of Michigan – Dearborn
Razan A. Abdulhammed (Grad) University of Bridgeport
Tushar M. Jois (Grad) Johns Hopkins University
Dongyoun Kim (Grad) South Dakota State University
Antonin Smid (Grad) Baylor University

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UPE Scholarship Awards (\$1,000)

Matthew John Jamieson (UG) Rhode Island College
David Gerald Tuttle (UG) Davenport University
Matthew Brady Witkowski (UG) West Virginia University
Amritraj (Grad) Kennesaw State University
Sing Wan Chan (Grad) Lipscomb University
Naman Kohli (Grad) West Virginia University
Ahmed Moussa (Grad) University of North Florida
Paul Mugeere (Grad) Østfold University College, Norway

UPE Honorable Mention Awards (\$500)

Daniel Fernandez Coviella (UG) University of Bridgeport
Thorn Ellis Prescott (UG) University of North Florida
Thomas H. J. van Haastrecht (UG) Florida Institute of Technology
Joshua Michael Gitter (Grad) Iona College
Qitian Zeng (Grad) Illinois Institute of Technology

Other UPE Awards

UPE/ACM Student Chapter Scholarship Awards – Student members of the **ACM** are encouraged to apply to the ACM for four \$1,000 Scholarship awards. Funds for these awards are provided by UPE. Information on these awards can be obtained by contacting UPE at upe@acm.org. Email inquiries can also be sent to ACM’s Sunita Jaswal at sunita.jaswal@hq.acm.org.

IEEE-CS Awards – UPE provides funds for four \$1,000 scholarship awards to student members of the IEEE-CS. Students who are interested in applying for these awards need to visit the website of the IEEE-CS for instructions on the submission of applications. Email inquiries can be sent to e.berkowitz@computer.org.

ABACUS Award – The ABACUS Award is presented to an individual who has gained professional renown and whose accomplishments in the profession have greatly benefited students in the computing and information disciplines.

Outstanding Chapter Awards – UPE will continue to present cash awards to outstanding UPE chapters in the coming year. Details on UPE award to chapters will be announced in December 2018. Award recipients are announced during the Annual Convention of UPE, which will be held in April 2019.

ICPC Awards – During the 2018 ICPC World Finals in Beijing, China, UPE presented cash awards to programming teams who were judged to be the “first solvers” of problems posed at the ICPC. Similar awards will be presented by UPE at the 2019 ICPC World Finals. The summary of results and team standings for the 2018 ICPC World Finals can be found at <http://icpc.baylor.edu/welcome.icpc>.

CCSC – Consortium for Computing Sciences in Colleges – The CCSC receives an annual \$2,000 grant award from UPE to assist in student-related activities of the CCSC.

New UPE Chapters for 2018

The Executive Council of UPE is pleased to announce new chapters of UPE at the following colleges and universities:

West Chester University
Rhodes College
Capitol Technology University
Boston University
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
University of Richmond

About Upsilon Pi Epsilon

- ❖ Founded at Texas A&M University in 1967,
- ❖ for students, faculty and computing professionals who exhibit superior scholastic and professional achievement in the computing & information disciplines,
- ❖ the only International Honor Society for the computing and information disciplines, duly recognized as such by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and IEEE Computer Society,
- ❖ member of the ACHS (Association of College Honor Societies) - the parent organization for all academic honor societies in North America,
- ❖ founding sponsor of the ACM ICPC - International Collegiate Programming Contest,
- ❖ founded the Ph.D. dissertation competition for CS majors - known today as the ACM Doctoral Dissertation Awards,
- ❖ founding member of IFEES – International Federation of Engineering Education Societies,
- ❖ has chapters at over 290 colleges and universities in the U.S. and overseas,
- ❖ presents scholarship awards to student members of UPE, the ACM, and the IEEE-CS,
- ❖ founding sponsor of the ABACUS Award.

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