



# Upsilon Pi Epsilon

International Honor Society for the Computing and Information Disciplines

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## UPE NewsBrief – **Scholarship Awards & New Chapters** – December 2022

**2022 Scholarship Awards** - Each year the Executive Council of Upsilon Pi Epsilon evaluates many 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 2022.

***UPE Named Awards*** – The Dan Drew and the James Comer Awards 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 2022.

*UPE’s first named award* – Dr. Dan Drew was 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’s second named award* – Dr. James Comer was a member of the UPE Executive Council for over 40 years.

### ***UPE & UPE/ACM Scholarship Recipients for 2022 – \$54,000 will be Distributed to 27 UPE Members and 6 Student Members of the ACM***

#### ***Dan Drew Award (\$4,000)***

Ram J Zaveri (UG) West Virginia University

#### ***James Comer Award (\$4,000)***

Jenay Andrea Barela (UG) Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

#### ***UPE Executive Council Awards (\$2,500)***

Rebecca Christine Clark (UG) University of South Alabama  
Drake Pierce Cullen (UG) Colorado Mesa University  
Bishad J. Ghimere (GR) University of Bridgeport  
Mia Elizabeth Gortney (UG) Baylor University  
Madeline Suzanne Neely (UG) Butler University  
Kyla Ann Phillips (UG) Wayne State College  
Cuong Huy Vu (UG) Lafayette College

#### ***UPE Academic Achievement Awards (\$1,500)***

Matthew Dakota Bolding (UG) Texas Christian University  
Ronaldlee Ejalu (GR) DePaul University  
Martin Krutsky (GR) Czech Technical University in Prague  
John James Mulholland (UG) Towson University

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***UPE Academic Achievement Awards (\$1,500) - Continued***

Gina Odierno (UG)	Saint Joseph's University
Ernesto Quevedo Caballero (GR)	Baylor University
Kiran Ramjisingh (UG)	Monmouth University
Kyle Patrick Sokol (UG)	The University of Alabama
Isaiah Stapleton (UG)	College of Charleston
Jacob Grant Sutton (UG)	University of North Florida

***UPE Scholarship Awards (\$1,000)***

Christine Elizabeth Adams (GR)	Towson University
Sophie A Amore (UG)	DePaul University
Simeon Ayo Babatunde (GR)	Clemson University
Jamila M. Jones (UG)	University of Maryland Global College
Mason Mosack (UG)	Lehigh University
Clayton Scott Atkinson (UG)	Ashland University
JangKun Suguri (UG)	University of Bridgeport
Caitlyn Marie Wagner (UG)	Lehigh University

**UPE/ACM Student Chapter Scholarship Awards** – UPE is pleased to announce the 2022 recipients of the UPE/ACM scholarship awards. These awards are presented to students who are active members of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM).

***2022 UPE/ACM Scholarship Awards (\$1,000)***

Shirley Fong	Simmons University, MA
Aditya Giri	Manipal University, Jaipur, India
Rachael Harris	Allegheny College & Carnegie Mellon University
Leah Kazenmayer	The College of New Jersey
Hannah Halin Kim	Duke University
Luke Williams	University of Kentucky

***New UPE Chapters for 2022***

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

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
Southeast Missouri State University  
Lenoir-Rhyne University  
Providence College  
Colorado Technical University  
Fairfield University  
Kean University

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## **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 academic honor societies in North America,
- ❖ founding sponsor of the 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 300 colleges and universities in the U.S. and overseas,
- ❖ presents scholarship awards to student members of UPE, the ACM, the CCSC, and the IEEE-CS,
- ❖ founding sponsor of the ABACUS Award.

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