



2018 Medical School Award Recipients

All-University Award - Mary A. McEvoy Award for Public Service and Leadership

In collaboration with Professional Student Government and the Council of Graduate Students, the Mary A. McEvoy Award for Public Engagement and Leadership is presented to graduate and professional students who display leadership and public engagement above and beyond their normal duties and responsibilities. This award is given to one graduate and one professional student, each receiving a scholarship of \$1,000. Candidates must demonstrate dedication and assistance that benefit an individual, group or community, or strengthen a democratic way of life.

Caleb Murphy

Alpha Epsilon Iota Award

This award recognizes senior female medical students who best exemplify excellence in clinical performance, community service, scholarship, and leadership. Since 1901, AEI has supported female medical students and alumni. Minnesota Women Physicians, Alpha Epsilon Iota's sister organization, arranges professional, educational, and social opportunities for female physicians in our state. Minnesota Women Physicians' work with AEI supports student scholarships and awards, and demonstrates the organization's commitment to its future members.

Gretchen Colbenson

Carly Dahl

Wallace D. Armstrong Award

This award is given in memory of Dr. Wallace D. Armstrong, a Regents Professor at the University of Minnesota, and recognizes superior achievement in biochemistry by first year medical and dental students.

Paulina Marell

Dr. Marvin and Hadassah Bacaner Research Award

This award was established by Dr. Marvin Bacaner, professor of physiology, in memory of his parents, Jacob and Minnie Bacaner. Since 1978, this award has recognized excellence in creative basic science research.

Biochemistry, Molecular Biology and Biophysics: Xiaobai Patrinostro

Cardiology: Amritha Yellamilli

Genetics, Cell Biology & Development: Keith Sabin

Integrative Biology and Physiology: Amritha Yellamilli

**Microbiology, Immunology, and Cancer Biology Program: Tijana Martinov
and Rebecca Breuer**

Pharmacology: Lisa Chesner and Christopher Richards

Distinguished Mentoring Award

This award recognizes the co-curricular contributions that faculty make that impact medical education and medical students, and honors faculty who consistently serve as effective mentors and advisors to medical students during their four years of medical school.

**Sheilagh Maguiness, MD
Andrew Olson, MD**

Distinguished Teaching Award

This award was established in 1962 to recognize superior teaching by Twin Cities campus Medical School faculty.

**Year 1 - Peter Southern, PhD
Year 2 - Alicia Harrison, MD and Katharine Nelson, MD
Year 3 (Primary Care) - David Wacker, MD, PhD
Year 4 (Speciality Medicine) - Lucien Gonzalez, MD
Resident Instructors - Kelsey Gelhaus, MD, and Annie Jacobsen, MD**

Award for Excellence in Geriatric Medicine

This award recognizes individual achievement for basic research concerning the health care of older adults.

**Naomi Marie Johnson
Dennis Ea, MD**

Exceptional Affiliate Faculty Teaching Award

This award was established to honor and encourage the types of preceptor teaching the medical students hold in high esteem during their four years of training.

**William Knopp, MD
Muna Irfan, MD**

Exceptional Primary Care Community Faculty Teaching Award

This award was established to honor and encourage the kind of preceptor teaching, in a primary care setting, that medical students hold in high esteem.

**Kristen Helvig, MD
Byron Holth, MD**

Graduating Medical Student Research Award

This award recognizes meritorious research by a graduating medical student.

**Mathew Angelos
Sakeen Kashem**

J. Jacob Kaplan Award

This award, made possible by the late Dr. J. Jacob Kaplan and his family, is presented in recognition of outstanding research.

**Haiguang Wang
Lee Meier
Amritha Yellamilli**

Lifson-Johnson Memorial Award

This award honors excellence in teaching by undergraduate or graduate students.

**Alexie Larson
Lucas Utley
Joseph Grim**

J. Thomas Livermore Award

The J. Thomas Livermore Award recognizes outstanding undergraduate research in hematology.

Cameron McDonald-Hyman

Jan Lunden Award

This award honors outstanding research by a graduate or medical student in the field of molecular hepatology.

Haiguang Wang

Medical Student Achievement Award

These awards are conferred on students enrolled at the University of Minnesota Medical School in recognition of their distinctive performance in the areas of leadership, community service, academic achievement and research.

**Mathew Angelos
Lucas Labine
Amelia Wendt**

Beatrice Z. Milne and Theodore Brandenburg Awards

This research award for graduate students in the basic sciences at the University of Minnesota Medical School reflects the thoughtfulness and generosity of Ms. Beatrice Z. Milne, and serves as a lasting expression of her commitment to creating a healthier world.

**Lisa Chesner
Matthew Green
Rebekah Lawrence
Nora McCall
Lee Meier
Christopher Richards**

Roth-Steer Award for Research in Alzheimer's Disease

This award, established in honor of Melvin Roth by Randolph C. Steer, M.D., Ph.D., Clifford J. Steer, M.D., and Reginald D. Steer, recognizes research excellence in basic or clinical science related to Alzheimer's disease.

Balvindar Singh

Rural Physician Associate Program Student Achievement Award

This award is presented to an RPAP student who excels in academic accomplishment and demonstrates noteworthy community involvement.

Kelly McKinnon

Gloria Segal Award in Psychiatry

The Gloria Segal Award in Psychiatry recognizes two senior medical students, one from the University of Minnesota Medical School and one from the Mayo Medical School, for outstanding academic and professional performance during the third year clinical psychiatry rotation.

Josie Skala

Roza Steer Breast Cancer Research Award

This award is presented for outstanding research by a graduate student or medical student in the field of breast cancer.

Emily Irey

Steer Family Award in Diabetes Research

Through this award, Randolph C. Steer, M.D., Ph.D., and his brothers, Clifford J. Steer, M.D., and Reginald D. Steer, wish to honor their mother, Rozica, and her mother, Sifra. This award recognizes outstanding basic scientific research by a graduate student or a medical student in the field of diabetes mellitus.

Amber Lockridge

Steer-Johnson Award

This award honors the memory of John A. Johnson, M.D., Ph.D., professor of physiology at the University of Minnesota Medical School. It was established by two of his former students, Randolph C. Steer, M.D., Ph.D., and his brother, Clifford J. Steer, M.D. Dr. Johnson established the undergraduate major in physiology and was a great advocate of undergraduate science education. The award recognizes undergraduate and Ph.D. students for academic achievement in physiology.

Sabrina Garrison

The Leonard Tow Faculty/Student Humanism in Medicine Award presented by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation

This award is presented annually to a student and a faculty member who exhibit exemplary skills in integrating humanism in the delivery of care to patients and their families. The award is intended to spur dialogue, debate, and activities related to graduating scientifically excellent and compassionate physicians.

Student: Lucas Labine
Faculty: Samantha Pace, MD

Twin Cities Marathon Top Performance Student Medical School Award

This award is presented to a currently enrolled male and female medical student with the best finishing time in the Twin Cities Marathon, held in October of each year

Matthew Eidenschink
Rachael Grundman

USMLE Step 1 Exam Awards

Three awards are presented each year to top-performing 3rd year medical students on the USMLE Step 1 Exam on the Twin Cities and Duluth campuses.

Hannah Aho
Emily Davis
Andrew Stone

Veneziale-Steer Award

This award is presented to a graduate student for outstanding basic scientific research in the field of cellular growth regulation. Randolph C. Steer, M.D., Ph.D., established the award to honor the memory of his professor, Carlo M. Veneziale, M.D., Ph.D., who was chairman of the Department of Biochemistry at the Mayo Medical School.

Sakeen Kashem

Therese Zink Student Narrative Award

This award is presented to one graduating medical student whose narrative, written as part of the Significant Event Reflection in the Family Medicine Clerkship, is deemed the most well-written and ready for publication. Recipients are chosen by the Clerkship.

Colin Wendt

Awards administered through Global Medical Education and Research Program (GMER)

Curtis L. Carlson Award (Karolinska Institute)

This exchange program was established in 1990 through a generous endowment provided by Curtis L. Carlson, a successful Swedish immigrant to Minnesota who wanted to promote scholarly exchanges between the University of Minnesota Medical School and the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden. The exchange program provides clinical or research experiences for medical students at each institution.

Larissa Shiue

N.L. and Sarah J. Gault International Study Award

This award was established by former Medical School Dean, the late N.L. Gault, and his late wife, Sarah, to encourage medical school students to seek educational experiences in international health, enabling them to study in other countries.

Alexandria Panning

Elizabeth McHale

Mark Johnson

Alisha Lindberg

Katie Casper

Collin Cousins

Matthew Jergenson

Emilia Vesper

Maynard and Elaine Jacobson International Study Award

This scholarship was established by Dr. Jacobson, a 1955 graduate of the University of Minnesota Medical School. The income from this fund is awarded to medical students for studies conducted in international medical student exchange programs. It is intended for students at the University of Minnesota Medical School and medical school students in Scandinavian countries.

Sarah Fleming

Angela Wipf

James H. and Carol E. Moller Scholarship for International Medicine

This University of Minnesota Foundation FastStart 4 Impact award was provided by Dr. James and Mrs. Carol Moller, who have been connected to the University of Minnesota for over 50 years and are committed to supporting the education of full-time professional medical students.

**Rachel Heinze
Eric Curto
Omar Abdullahi
Anna Fuglestad
Crystal Donelan
Rose Marie Leslie
Anna Haynes
Francesca Ianovich**

Paul G. and Elizabeth H. Quie International Child Health Fund

This award was created through an endowment established by the Quie's to encourage medical students seeking international educational experience in pediatrics.

Brooklyn Leitch

Scheffler International Medical Mission Trip Award

This award was created through the generosity of Russell and Kathryn Scheffler in appreciation for medical treatment received at the University of Minnesota Medical Center and Masonic Cancer Center from Dr. Todd Tuttle. It is intended for one or two qualified medical students, preferably interested in surgical oncology, during the summer before starting their second-year for support of their experience in Honduras with Dr. Tuttle.

**Kent Peterson
Michele Frees
Sacha Broccard**

Thank you!

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