Joan King Endowed Memorial Scholarship

The Joan King Endowed Memorial Scholarship supports students with an interest in biomedical sciences or engineering and with an eye toward sharing their talents with the world in the context of work/life balance. Applicants are encouraged to address their unique greatness and how they use it to make a difference in the world.

2018/19 Award Winners

Mallory Knudsen is a transfer student in the Biomedical Engineering and Chemical and Biological Engineering program with a strong interest in emerging biomedical engineering technology. In addition to working fulltime, taking a full load of courses, and maintaining exceptionally high grades, Mallory participated in a weeklong Prosthetic Innovation Program in Quito, Ecuador this summer. As a first-generation student, she is passionate about improving her life and the lives in the community around her. She plans to add a human touch to the engineering designs she creates to emphasize that people are more than just clients or patients.

Jordan Nelson is a senior working towards a bachelor’s degree in Biomedical Sciences and plans to continue on to medical school. She is an active member of the CSU community shown by her involvement in starting an osteopathic medicine club on campus, volunteering in a biochemistry lab and taking part in Biomedical Sciences Department outreach activities such as Brain Awareness Week, Community Organ Presentations, and Anatomy Camp. Jordan hopes to use her medical education to tend to the needs of individuals at home and around the world.

2017/18 Award Winners

Patricia Stasiowski is a first-generation who entered CSU as a biomedical engineering and chemical and biological engineering major. She was inspired to pursue these fields of study after watching her cousin recover from a horrific car accident that left him paralyzed from the waist down. She hopes to create a medical device for paraplegics and quadriplegics that will help them walk again. An active leader, Patricia is vice-president of the CSU International Society of Pharmaceutical Engineers and a member of the Society of Women Engineers and Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Savannah Sandvick is pursuing a bachelor’s degree in biomedical science and is looking to become a physician's assistant in the field of orthopedics so that she can help others live a more healthy and balanced life. Funding her own education, she is extremely grateful for this scholarship award and is looking forward to receiving coaching by members of the Colorado Women of Influence.
2016/17 Award Winners

Jennifer Brooks is a wife and mother who looks forward to pursuing a career in healthcare (general surgery, cardiology, or OB/GYN) that will bring her talents to people in need. In May 2017, she graduated from CSU with a Bachelor of Science in biomedical science and plans to attend medical school. She looks forward to someday provide medical missions in developing countries.

Emily Li is a first generation student who entered CSU as a biomedical engineering and mechanical engineering major. In addition, she is pursuing a minor in business administration. She placed second and received partial scholarship funding. Emily’s experience working in the biomaterials research lab has inspired her to pursue a graduate degree and hopes to eventually help manufacture new and improved medical devices.

2015/16 Award Winner

Katie Lawrence received bachelor’s degrees in biomedical engineering and mechanical engineering in May 2016. She worked as an intern for Wolf Robotics and created 3D visual simulations of cells, helping Wolf customers find creative and innovative solutions. Katie is currently working at Nordson Medical as a product development engineer.