

SBME Scholarship for Leadership and Innovation

This scholarship supports graduate and undergraduate students pursuing careers in biomedical engineering who show a commitment to leadership and excel as creative problem-solvers.

2017/18 Award Winner



Natalie Rios serves as the outreach coordinator for the Society of Women Engineers (SWE) and manages 12 team members. She uses the Gallup Strength Finder curriculum to organize subcommittees based on identified strengths so members can collaborate and thrive. Rios was instrumental in utilizing *Slate*, CSU's admission platform, for their annual *Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day* event registration. Through this platform, SWE can gauge the effectiveness of their outreach to middle school girls by identifying which participants apply to CSU for engineering.

2017/18 Award Winner

Tyler Daniel has demonstrated leadership skills working in the Therapeutic Materials and Biointerfacial Research Laboratory at CSU, attaining his Eagle Scout rank in the Boy Scouts of America, and serving as a resident assistant on campus. A former Daniels Scholarship recipient, Tyler has also worked every semester, often working multiple jobs. After graduation, he hopes to work in genetics, specifically DNA manipulation, to help cure cancer and other life-long diseases.



2016/17 Award Winner



Hannah Robinson demonstrated leadership in designing a new lab for students taking machine dynamics. Robinson's lab allows students to design a four-bar mechanism representing components of the human knee and testing their design on 3D printed bones. In the future, she hopes to work with a medical device company and utilize her background to improve patient care.



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2015/16 Award Winner



Hannah Mikelson served as president of the Society of Women Engineers-CSU Chapter and collegiate senator for the Society of Women Engineers-Region I (covering the central region of the U.S.). In addition, she participated in a co-op at Zimmer Biomet, an internship at Osypka Medtec and has accepted a full-time offer to be a quality engineer after she graduates in May 2018.

2014/15 Award Winners

Craig Ewell is a first-generation student who was raised by a single parent and who held various leadership roles on campus. As Craig once posted on social media, “From start to finish, CSU has been nothing but a blessing in my life! I have loved every moment of my time here. I am and will always be a RAM for life!” Craig works as an electronic sales engineer for Phoenix Contact.



Megan Rives is a single mom who is also a first-generation student. Her strong academics, commitment to her professional field, and her ability to overcome life’s obstacles demonstrate the spirit of the SBME Scholarship. Megan spent her summers in college working as an engineering intern at Terumo BCT, Tolmar Inc., and Woodward, Inc. After graduating from CSU, she accepted a mechanical engineering position at Woodward, Inc.

