JEFFERSON B. RODGERS AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

Jefferson B. Rodgers received a B.S. Degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1929, an M.S. degree in Agricultural Engineering in 1935 and a Professional degree in Agricultural Engineering, all from the University of Idaho. He came to Oregon State University as head of the Department of Agricultural Engineering in 1946 and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1969. Prior to coming to OSU, he had industrial experience with Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company in East Pittsburgh, PA, the Idaho Committee on Relation of Electricity to Agriculture, Moscow, ID, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Sikeston, MO, Commodity Credit Corporation, Waupon, WI, and War Hemp Industries, Chicago, IL. Under his leadership, J.B. Rodgers established a full-fledged Agricultural Engineering curriculum and was accredited by the Engineers Council for Professional Development, becoming only the sixth such program to receive this recognition.

PURPOSE

To recognize superior achievement by a student in the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering.

NATURE OF AWARD

The award shall consist of a cash award. The amount and number of awards will be dependent upon the annual income from the J.B. Rodgers Endowment Fund which resides with the OSU Foundation. The name of the recipient and the year of the award will be inscribed on a plaque displayed in the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering.

DONOR

J.B. Rodgers Agricultural Engineering Endowment Fund

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The recipient must be enrolled in the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering as their academic major. The graduate or undergraduate student must have a member of the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering faculty as their major professor. The recipient must be enrolled as a full time student the term in which the award presentation is made.

SELECTION

Selection of the recipient will be made by the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering Scholarship Committee. Selection will be based on scholarship and extra-curricular activities.

PROCEDURES

The first award was presented in 1985.
The award will be presented at an appropriate occasion selected by the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering Scholarship Committee.

A student may apply for this award or be nominated by a fellow student or faculty member of the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering.

A nomination will include a resume of the nominee, a letter of support from the major advisor, a listing of grades earned at OSU and no more than two additional letters of support.

**ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLICITY**

Announcement of the award and the name of the annual recipient will be facilitated through the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering.

**JEFFERSON B. RODGERS AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

2015  Keaton Lesnik and Leah Tai  
2014  Bill Hohenschuh, Dustin DeGeorge  
2013  Ryan Cole, James Blount  
2012  Marissa Buntin, Hannah Smith, Sada Egenriether, Sada Michelsen  
2011  Deepak Kumar, Ankita Juneja, Carole Abourached and Lara Heitmeyer  
2010  Eric Andersen  
2008  Julie Gabrielli  
2007  Benjamin Flugstad  
2006  Erika Kraft  
2005  Julia Crown and Carole Abou-Rached (both Grads)  
2003  Erick Burns and Stephen Rooklidge  
2002  David E. Rupp (Grad) and Kristina Warren (Grad)  
2001  Jody Martin and Patrick Lew (both Undergrads) and Chengyan Peng (Grad)  
2000  Denise Hoffert-Hay (Grad)  
1999  Laura Gramann (Grad) and Megan Oest (Undergrad)  
1998  Robert Bower (Grad) and John Wilson (Undergrad)  
1997  Jason Smesrud (Grad) and Charla Triplett (Grad)  
1996  David Gochis (Grad)  
1995  Steven Niswander (Grad)  
1994  Alireza Esteghlalian (Grad)  
1993  Cheng-Kuang Hsu (Grad)  
1992  Kristen Overturf (Mitchell) (Grad)  
1991  Brian L. Whitaker (AE) and Robert W. Koca (Grad)  
1990  Brian L. Whitaker (AE) and Peter B. Bautista (AE)  
1989  Mark L. Croghan (AE) and Brian L. Whitaker (AE)  
1988  Darrell Dyke (AE) and Greg Peters (AET)  
1987  John L. Childs (AE) and Nathaniel Miller (AET)  
1986  Dean M. Bowdish (AET) Fall and Winter Term and David A. Flesher (AET) Spring Term  
1985  Jon A. Odenthal (AET)