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Poultry science department students and faculty receive awards and honors during annual Poultry Science Association meeting

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Students and faculty of the University of Arkansas Poultry Science Department received prestigious awards at the 2018 Poultry Science Association Annual Meeting held July 23-26 in San Antonio, TX.

There were hundreds of student competition oral presentations or poster presentations during the meeting. Five students from the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science received outstanding presentation honors.

Students receiving awards for Outstanding Oral Presentation included:

- Jordan Weil under the direction of Craig Coon for presenting: Metabolism and Nutrition, Amino Acids.
- Basanta Raj Wagle under the direction of Dan Donoghue for presenting: Phytochemicals modulate *Campylobacter jejuni* proteome critical for biofilm formation.
- Brooke Bodle under the direction of Sam Rochell for presenting: Efficacy of carbohydrase enzymes in diets varying in ingredient composition when fed to coccidiosis vaccinated broilers.
- Katie Hilton under the direction of Craig Coon for presenting: The comparison of two net energy equations of broilers fed exogenous composite enzyme and exogenous amylase.

Student receiving award for Outstanding Poster Presentations was:

- Callie Shawhan under the direction of Sami Dridi for presenting: Neuropeptide Y is Expressed in Chicken Liver and Regulates

Hepatic Lipogenesis.

New PSA Fellows

The status of Fellow is one of the highest distinctions a PSA member can achieve. The election to Fellow recognizes members of the Poultry Science Association for professional distinction and contributions to the field of poultry science without concern to longevity. Not more than five members may be elected as Fellows at any one annual meeting. A two-thirds majority vote by the Board of Directors is required to elect any nominee as Fellow. Four PSA Fellows were named this year, and two were faculty from the University of Arkansas:

- Michael T. Kidd, Director of the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science and Department Head for the Poultry Science Department
- Annie M. Donoghue, USDA-ARS Research Leader for the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science

Center of Excellence for Poultry Science hosts youth conference

Twenty-seven high school students from around the state experienced college life first-hand during the 22nd annual Poultry Science Youth Conference at the University of Arkansas July 10-13.

The conference was held at the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science. Through hands-on experiences, tours and industry presentations, the conference is designed to foster interest in the poultry industry and the poultry science department in Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences. Students spent one day of the conference at the Tyson Discovery Center, where they learned how food technologists develop new products. The students prepared recipes, developed by Tyson chefs, using chicken and fresh ingredients and then presented the final product to the group.

Gary Davis, undergraduate recruiter said, "We wanted students to get a feel for how complex the poultry industry is and how many different opportunities are available to our students once they complete their studies."

Student groups returned to the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science labs and test kitchen and developed their own products using the skills and information they learned during the exercises at Tyson. Each team gave their final presentations before faculty members and parents during a closing ceremony.

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