

Student Accomplishments and Highlights

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Student Awards



Woman of the Year

Huntsman student, **Grace McGuire**, was nominated for the 2019 NCAA Woman of the Year Award. McGuire, a goalkeeper for the USU soccer team, graduated in May, 2019 with her MBA, having previously earned her BA in Management.

McGuire led all keepers a season ago by playing more than 1,400 minutes in goal and led the Aggies with 80 saves, the ninth-most in a single season in Utah State history. McGuire started between the posts in each of USU's victories last season and ranks sixth in school history with a 1.13 career goals against average.

Established in 1991, the NCAA Woman of the Year award recognizes graduating female college athletes who have exhausted their eligibility and distinguished themselves in academics, athletics, service and leadership throughout their collegiate careers.

In addition to her excellent academic record and athletic achievements, McGuire served as the Mountain West Conference's NCAA representative for the conference's Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). She interned in Washington, D.C. as a member of Representative Mia Love's staff during the summer of 2017.



Undergraduate Researcher & Scholar of the Year

It seems Ivan Cheah has always had a head for research, having worked on a research project at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki in Greece to develop a prototypical software application at the age of 14, and at 16, developing a basic accounting information system from scratch. As an under-grad in the Management Information Systems Department, he performed and presented academic research with two faculty members. Having grown up in poverty in Malaysia, one of Ivan's goals is to inspire and support children from impoverished areas to pursue their ambitions.



USU Woman of the Year

Regan Egli
MHR



USU Male Athlete of the Year

Sam Merrill
Business Administration



Legacy of USU Award

Ally Rawson
Accounting



Valedictorian

Jacob Wilcox
Economics



Kiwanis Outstanding Senior

Reagan Siggard
MIS



Graduate Student Researcher

Morgan Wood
MMIS

Undergraduate Research Win



Economics major, Rebekah Yeagley, was awarded first place honors for outstanding research and presentation for her research project on The Economics of the Mom Blog at the 2019 conference for the Association of Private Enterprise Education. Yeagley, who also is an Amy Rees Anderson Academic Entrepreneur Fellow at the Center for Growth and Opportunity, said she was surprised and humbled by the award.

“I was just excited to have the opportunity to present my research at the conference,” said Yeagley. “I was very impressed with the quality of the other projects, so to have my research recognized was a true honor.”

Beehive Five Under 25 Award



Paige Morgan, Marketing and Environmental Studies '18, was named a Beehive Five under 25, a prestigious award given each year by the Utah Society for Environmental Education (USEE) to five young individuals who are "game changers in their communities."

Huntsman Students in USU Elections



USUSA President

Sami Ahmed
Finance



Business Senator

Sara Dent
International Business & Marketing



Graduate Senator

Jared Fry
Accounting



Athletics & Campus

Recreation VP

Braden Tomlinson
Marketing



Organization & Campus

Diversity VP

Jenny Patino
Accounting



Student Events VP

Cooper Low
Marketing & Business Administration

Clubs & Organizations

Chapter of the Year



The USU student chapter of the Association for Information Systems (AIS), an international professional association for individuals and organizations that research, teach, practice, and study information systems, was awarded AIS Student Chapter of the Year – the highest award given to any AIS chapter.

Dr. David Olsen, the Management Information Systems Department Head, believes the student club provides immense value to students by bringing outstanding practitioners and leaders to the AIS speaker series and by offering technical presentations on cutting-edge technologies that give students a competitive edge.

This substantial value is not missed by the leaders and students in the club. “AIS has really grown into a fantastic program over the last few years,” said Benton Smith, the Vice President of Events for AIS. “Members from all majors can listen to great speakers, learn technical skills, and participate in competitions. It’s really a great way for students to get involved, meet new friends, and learn some marketable skills.”



BAP Superior Chapter

The USU student chapter of Beta Alpha Psi once again received a Superior Chapter designation, continuing the nation's longest succession of Superior Chapter awards at 41 years.



IMA Gold

The Institute of Management Accountants named the USU student chapter as a Gold Student Chapter, marking the 23rd consecutive year as a gold chapter.

Prestigious Award from World's Largest HR Association



The Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) has awarded a 2018-2019 Superior Merit designation to the Utah State University SHRM student chapter for providing superior growth and development opportunities to its student chapter members. The USU SHRM chapter was re-started this year with a new focus on undergraduates from across the university with an interest in HR, growing to include almost 50 students from across USU campus.

Winning Team



For the second straight year, a trio of students from the Huntsman School won the state-level competition for the CFA Institute Research Challenge. The team of Tyson Clark, Kemerey Thompson, and James Huber advanced to the final round on the strength of their written research report, and then secured first-place honors with their verbal presentation on Pluralsight, an online education company based in Farmington, Utah. Overseen by the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute, the Research Challenge is a global competition involving more than 5,000 participants from more than 1,000 universities each year. Working in teams, students gain real-world experience as they assume the role of research analysts and are judged on their ability to value a stock, write a research report, and then create a presentation on a buy, sell, or hold strategy surrounding the company's stock.

PBL Wins



Abbigayle Arnold, Fallon Jones, Kristopher King, and Jaren Campbell took state at the Utah Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) State Leadership Conference, earning first place in the Business Presentation, Website Design, and Impromptu Speaking competitions. Maddison Woody, not picture here, took first place in the Insurance Concepts competition.

Multiple Wins at DECA



Six Huntsman students placed in the top 10 in their respective events at the Utah State DECA competition. Of those finalists, two of them, Dallin Malm and Matthew Swink, were awarded 2nd place in the International Marketing Competition.

She's Daring Mighty Things Summit

USU President, Noelle Cockett, and FJ Management CEO, Crystal Maggelet, headlined the second annual She's Daring Mighty Things Summit. Events throughout the day brought together female students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends to showcase a world of possibilities for women, create mentor relationships, and encourage female students to dream, prepare for, and pursue mighty things.





I was determined to come. Logan is a bit of a drive from Orem, but I am so glad I did it! The wealth of experience and the energy of these amazing women was invigorating and truly motivating. So many of their words resonated with me and I truly I walked away with a greater determination to Dare Mighty Things!

— Bernadette Bowler '20, Executive MHR Program

She's Daring Mighty Things Photos

