USU’s Beta Alpha Psi chapter was chosen as one of ten chapters in the nation to receive an initial award of $500 for a winning proposal for the Ernst and Young Diversity Award. The money will help fund the implementation of their proposal, which is to work with the SOA Quigley Ambassadors to communicate to high school students and undeclared majors the many career-friendly opportunities available to females in the accounting profession. A summary report will be submitted in May outlining the success of their proposal, which will make them eligible to be considered for one of five grand prize awards.

Ernst and Young initiated the award because its leadership understands the importance of an environment that values the contributions of all its people. The firm believes that a key element of effective teaming is the diversity of thought generated from team members from different backgrounds and perspectives.