2019-20 Award Recipients

Student awardee: Stephanie Fendick
Project title: The Effects of Access to Clean Water on Children's Weight in Malawi
College of Business & Economics
Faculty mentor: Seth Gitter (sgitter@towson.edu)
Mentor department: Economics

Student awardee: Shelby Francis
Project title: Cost of Blindness: Effect of Cataracts Surgery on Food Insecurity in Ethiopia
College of Business & Economics
Faculty mentor: Seth Gitter (sgitter@towson.edu)
Mentor department: Economics

Student awardee: Eric Miguel Fernandez
Project title: Environmental Awareness Research
College of Fine Arts & Communication
Faculty mentor: Kimberly Hopkins (khopkins@towson.edu)
Mentor department: Art + Design, Art History, Art Education

Student awardee: Iqrah Choudhry
Project title: Energy Balance and Weight Loss during the Postpartum Period
College of Health Professions
Faculty mentor: Nicolas Knuth (nknuth@towson.edu)
Mentor department: Kinesiology

Student awardee: Michelina Quartucci
Project title: The body, the baby weight, and the wardrobe: materiality and embodied motherhood
College of Health Professions
Faculty mentor: Jaime DeLuca (jdeluca@towson.edu)
Mentor department: Kinesiology

Student awardee: Dakota Siok
Project title: Assessing Acute Muscle Inflammation Using Ultrasound
College of Health Professions
Faculty mentor: Landers-Ramos (rlandersramos@towson.edu)
Mentor department: Kinesiology
**Student awardee: Noelle Cook**  
**Project title:** The Role of Women in India's Gig Economy  
College of Liberal Arts  
Faculty mentor: Harjant Gill (hgill@towson.edu)  
Mentor department: Sociology, Anthropology & Criminal Justice

**Student awardee: Claire Hageman**  
**Project title:** An Examination of the WHO's Limitations and Tactics Regarding the Rohingya Crisis  
College of Liberal Arts  
Faculty mentor: Alison McCartney (amccartney@towson.edu)  
Mentor department: Political Science

**Student awardee: Zachary Runge**  
**Project title:** Diffusion of LGBTQ+ Rights in Latin America  
College of Liberal Arts  
Faculty mentor: Gorana Draguljic (gdraguljic@towson.edu)  
Mentor department: Political Science

**Student awardee: Daniel Guzman**  
**Project title:** Tuning Wavelengths to Improve the nanoparticle Size-Detection Limit Using Dynamic Light Scattering  
Fisher College of Science & Mathematics  
Faculty mentor: Jeffrey Simpson (jrsimpson@towson.edu)  
Mentor department: Physics, Astronomy, and Geosciences

**Student awardee: Alison Moss**  
**Project title:** Whole Genome Comparison of Seven Bacillus Isolates from Dung Beetle Larvae  
Fisher College of Science & Mathematics  
Faculty mentor: Anne Estes (aestes@towson.edu)  
Mentor department: Biological Sciences

**Student awardee: Nicholas Ruszala**  
**Project title:** Super Atom Clusters of Au: Synthesis and Optical Characterization  
Fisher College of Science & Mathematics  
Faculty mentor: Mary Sajini Devadas (mdevadas@towson.edu)  
Mentor department: Chemistry
**Student awardee: Marella Schammel**

**Project title:** Formation of Trihalomethanes via Halogenation of Natural Organic Matter Precursors
Fisher College of Science & Mathematics
Faculty mentor: John Sivey (jsivey@towson.edu)
Mentor department: Chemistry

**Student awardee: Katrina Schmidt**

**Project title:** YfaT Characterization in Escherichia coli
Fisher College of Science & Mathematics
Faculty mentor: Michelle Snyder (msnyder@towson.edu)
Mentor department: Biological Sciences