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UA STUDENTS WIN 15 FULBRIGHT AWARDS FOR 2018–2019

TUSCALOOSA — The University of Alabama is a nationally recognized Top Producer of Fulbright Student Award Winners, and this year's competitors continue that winning tradition. A record 15 UA students have been selected for Fulbright Awards in the national competition.

“Congratulations to UA’s Fulbright winners,” said Dr. Teresa E. Wise, associate provost for international education and global outreach. “Globally focused academic opportunities and study abroad experiences help our students develop into world citizens who foster international understanding through programs like Fulbright.”

The highly competitive Fulbright U.S. Student Program provides grants for individually designed study and research projects or for English teaching assistantships. More than 11,000 applicants compete for approximately 1,950 awards each year. Sponsored by the U.S. State Department, Fulbright is the largest U.S. international exchange program, offering opportunities for students, scholars and professionals.

Two University of Alabama students received Fulbright Awards for research and study during the 2018–2019 academic year.

Nicole Henderson, of Wellford, South Carolina, a doctoral candidate in anthropology, will pursue research titled “Um Ciclo Vicioso: Cultural Beliefs, Stigma, and Substance Use in Brazil.”

Natalie Kidd, of Birmingham, a graduate in biochemistry, will conduct research titled “Modulation of Regulatory/Suppressive Actions of Gamma T-cells with a Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR)” at the University of Kiel’s Institute of Immunology in Germany.

Thirteen UA graduates received Fulbright Awards to serve as English teaching assistants overseas for the 2018–2019 academic year.

Rachel Combs, of Florence, a graduate in political science and German, will teach in Germany.

Jeremy Connor, of Huntsville, a graduate in music performance (woodwind and percussion) and a current master’s student in German linguistics, will teach in Germany.

Carrigan Fain, of Gardendale, a graduate in international studies with a minor in Spanish and captain of the UA women’s softball team, will teach in Malaysia.

Dwyer Freeman, of Haddonfield, New Jersey, a graduate in German language and literature with a minor in critical theory through social study, will teach in Germany.

Maggie Holmes, of Madison, Mississippi, a graduate in biology with minors in Spanish and psychology, will teach in Spain.

Madeleine Lewis, of Huntsville, a graduate in religious studies and applied mathematics, will teach in Montenegro.

Richard Lewis, of Birmingham, a graduate in English with minors in social innovation and leadership, business, and creative writing, will teach in Malaysia.

Taebryanna Sims, of Mobile, a graduate in international studies with language study in French and Korean, will teach in South Korea.

Shelby Smithson, of Mobile, a graduate with a bachelor’s and a master’s in social work and studies in the Turkish language, will teach in Turkey.

Theresa Stoddard, of Eads, Tennessee, a graduate in interdisciplinary studies, global inequities and human rights, and Spanish, will teach in Spain.

Kaylyn Williams, of Hoover, a graduate with a bachelor’s and a master’s in accounting, will teach in the Czech Republic.

Amanda Wolosz, of Midland Park, New Jersey, a graduate in economics and finance with a minor in history, will teach in Poland.

Annika Wulff, of Army Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, a graduate in communicative disorders and German language and literature, will teach in Germany.

“These students are drawn from many majors and include representatives of leadership programs on our campus, including the Blackburn Institute, the Blount Scholars Program, the Honors College, New College and the University Scholars Program,” said Dr. Beverly Hawk, UA Fulbright program adviser and director of global and community engagement in the Center for Community-Based Partnerships.

“Through their individual community engagement activities overseas, these Fulbright winners will develop lasting international ties for Alabama and the USA.”

Students interested in applying for next year’s Fulbright competition can learn more from the Capstone International Center, 135 B.B. Comer Hall, international.ua.edu, us.fulbrightonline.org or email Dr. Beverly Hawk, beverly.hawk@ua.edu. [June 2018]



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