

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

Award applications are submitted electronically. If you have any questions email psych.saa@umich.edu.

Anne Rudo Memorial Scholarship

The Anne Rudo Memorial Scholarship is an LS&A scholarship for which students majoring or with an academic interest in both psychology and biology are eligible.

The scholarship is given in memory of Anne Rudo. Anne was a senior at the University of Michigan at the time of her death. She was to have received a B.S. in Psychology with a minor in Biology and planned to pursue an education in medicine. In addition to her academic achievements, Anne served as a volunteer in the medical field.

Selection of the scholarship recipient is based primarily on financial need, academic potential, academic interest in both psychology and biology, and consideration of past or present community or volunteer work. The award is for approximately \$2,000. Students must apply for the award. Application materials should include the following: an electronic application including a statement of purpose (four pages or less) addressing your current involvement in academic and volunteer projects, your interest in psychology, biology, and medicine, your goals and future plans, and your financial need and how you would use the award if selected; two letters of recommendation (it is suggested, but not required, that the first letter be written by a Department of Psychology or Biology faculty member and the second letter be written by someone who has supervised your volunteer work); a proposed budget, and a copy of your unofficial transcripts. All applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the Psychology Student Academic Affairs Committee.

Muenzer Memorial Award

The Muenzer Memorial Award in Psychology was established by the parents of Martha Muenzer, who died while she was a student in LS&A. The award is given annually to an outstanding junior woman in (or applying to) the Psychology Honors Program. The award is for approximately \$2,000. Award criteria have not been specified in detail by the sponsor, but include overall academic achievement, breadth and depth of interests, and the extent to which the award might have a beneficial influence on the recipient.

Students must apply for the award. Application materials should include the following: an electronic application including a personal statement (two pages or less covering the applicants skills, interests, aspirations, and any other information considered relevant), a resume, unofficial transcripts, proposed budget, two letters of recommendation (at least one from a Department of Psychology Faculty member is suggested, but not required) and a letter that the applicant (as the award recipient) might write to the Muenzer family (introducing herself and mentioning her activities, honors project and the way in which the award money will be used). All applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the Psychology Student Academic Affairs Committee.

W. B. Pillsbury Prize Competition

In recognition of the contributions of Professor W. B. Pillsbury to the field of psychology and the University of Michigan, friends, former students and colleagues of Professor Pillsbury established the Walter Bowers Pillsbury Testimonial Fund.

Two annual prizes of approximately \$500 each are awarded to two undergraduate students in recognition of outstanding research performance in the field of experimental psychology. "Experimental psychology" can be interpreted broadly in this context, but refers here to method and implies no restriction on content. To be considered, the research must involve observations under controlled conditions.

Eligibility for the prize is limited to Departmental Honors students of senior standing who are majors in Psychology or Biopsychology, Cognition, and Neuroscience (BCN). Students who are participating in the Psychology Honors Program and are completing an honors thesis during Winter semester will automatically be considered if they submit their thesis to the Honors Program by the April 1 deadline. All applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the Psychology Student Academic Affairs Committee.

Albert Cain Honors Award

This award was established in honor of Dr. Albert Cain, the director of the Honors Program in Psychology at the University of Michigan from 1995 to 2002. Any honors student completing or planning to complete an honors thesis in Psychology or Biopsychology, Cognition and Neuroscience (BCN) is eligible for this award. The \$250 award is to assist a psychology honors student with the expenses associated with presenting some portion of the honors thesis research at a major regional (e.g., Midwestern Psychological Association) or national (e.g., APA, APS, SRCD) scientific/professional conference. The presentation can consist of either a paper presented during a panel discussion, symposium or a poster presentation. The student must actually be the presenter of the thesis research, whether it is as a single author or as a jointly authored paper.

The award can be used to offset costs for transportation, lodging and registration fees to attend the conference. Students must verify that their honors research has been accepted for presentation before any award funds will be distributed. All applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the Psychology Student Academic Affairs Committee.

Students must apply for the award. Application materials should include the following: an electronic application including a brief summary that addresses the how this award will help facilitate your professional and/or educational goals, describe the research that you will be presenting at the conference and list the conferences that you will be applying to (please note if you have already been accepted); a letter of support from your honors faculty mentor addressing your role in the conference presentation, a proposed budget and a copy of your unofficial transcripts.

Tanner Memorial Award

The Tanner Memorial Award is an annual prize consisting of funds to facilitate the recipient's research project. The award is designated for financial support of a particularly innovative, original, and meritorious research project conducted by an undergraduate student majoring in Psychology or Biopsychology, Cognition, & Neuroscience (BCN). Students with dual majors or an Individual Program major conducting research with significant emphasis upon psychological sciences are also eligible.

The award was created in memory of Wilson P. "Spike" Tanner. It was established by two of Dr. Tanner's graduate students, Dr. David Green and Dr. John Swets, and other students, friends, and family members.

Dr. Tanner was associated with the University of Michigan beginning in 1949 when he entered as a graduate student in psychology. During the 1950s and early 1960s, Dr. Tanner rose to international prominence as a co-author of *Signal Detection Theory*. He was also known for his interest in social issues and encouragement of young people.

Students must apply for the award. Application materials should include the following: an electronic application including a research proposal that includes a budget and timeline (describe your research project, hypotheses, and how your research is original and meritorious including the specific nature of your participation and the anticipated form of the project report); two letters of recommendation, and a copy of the student's unofficial transcripts are required. All applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the Psychology Student Academic Affairs Committee. More than one recipient may be chosen.

Edward C. Chang Undergraduate Diversity Research Award

This award recognizes an undergraduate Psychology student for development of an outstanding research product. This product could be a publication, poster, thesis, or empirical proposal whose subject is diversity or inclusivity, broadly defined (e.g., culture, race, gender, student-athletes, sexuality), in psychological science.

All undergraduate Psychology and Biopsychology, Cognition and Neuroscience (BCN) majors are eligible to apply. Applicants must submit a copy of their research project and a letter of recommendation from the student's faculty mentor explaining why the research project exemplifies diversity or inclusivity. All applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the Psychology Student Academic Affairs Committee. The Committee will recognize the undergraduate student who produces the most outstanding research product with a \$500 award.