UCR Students Recognised by “Junior Nobel Prize”

The Undergraduate Awards (UA) has announced its 2015 Highly Commended Entrants, including 2 students from UC Riverside.

Cited as the ultimate champion of high-potential undergraduates, and often referred to as a “junior Nobel Prize”, The Undergraduate Awards is the world’s largest academic awards programme, recognising excellent research and original work across the sciences, humanities, business and creative arts.

The Undergraduate Awards 2015 programme received 5,117 submissions from undergraduates in 255 universities across 39 countries. Highly Commended Entrants are those who were ranked in the top 10% of submissions.

The Highly Commended Entrants from UC Riverside are: Spencer Salazar and Brandon Tran, who were both recognised in the Psychology category.

“This is a fantastic achievement for UC Riverside and its undergraduates,” commended UA’s Executive Director Louise Hodgson. “Only the very top students from each university can submit their coursework, and The Undergraduate Awards identifies the very best of the best. With over 5,000 submissions from so many universities this year, the competition was extremely tough. Congratulations to all our 2015 Highly Commended Entrants!”

Highly Commended Entrants are now invited to meet their fellow awardees at the annual UA Global Summit, taking place in Dublin, Ireland on November 10th-13th. The Summit will be addressed by the likes of philosopher AC Grayling, physicist Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell, photographer Giles Dudley, human genome sequencer Craig Venter, and the world’s youngest professor Dr. Alia Sabur, among many more speakers and facilitators.

About The Undergraduate Awards
The Undergraduate Awards is the world's largest international academic awards programme, recognising innovation and excellence at undergraduate level. Cited as the ultimate champion for high-potential undergraduates, UA identifies leading creative thinkers through their undergraduate coursework and provides top performing students with the support, network and opportunities they require to raise their profiles and further their career paths.