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STUDENT PRESENTATION AWARDS

Over 40 students entered this year’s competition for SCAS student-presentation awards. Awards were given in the categories of Biological and Physical Sciences for both posters and talks. Owing to the large number of student presentations in both categories of the Biological Sciences, two Honorable Mention awards were given. First-place award winners received $200 and a one-year membership to the Academy. Honorable mention winners received $100 and a one-year membership to the Academy.

Membership

The academy is always seeking new members and members who would like to become more involved in our activities by serving on our Board of Directors. The board meets once a month to plan and direct the society’s activities, which include the annual meeting, publication of the bulletin, offering financial support to graduate students, and operating a Research Training Program for high school students.
Physical Sciences – 1st Place Talk
Rachel Andrus. California State University, Los Angeles. MOBILITY OF SELENIUM AND NITRATE ALONG A SHALLOW GROUNDWATER FLOWPATH, ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Physical Sciences – Honorable Mention Talk
Shelby Harrell. California State University, San Bernardino. A STUDY OF GEOTHERMAL SPRINGS IN NORTHERN DOMINICA

Biological Sciences – 1st Place Talk
Jeanette Hendricks. California State University, Fullerton. FORAGING ECOLOGY OF THE ELEGANT TERN IN RESPONSE TO NEW MARINE HABITAT AT THE RESTORED BOLSA CHICA ECOLOGICAL RESERVE

Biological Sciences – Honorable Mention Talk
Aaron Ramirez. California State University, Bakersfield. DEER BROWSE AFFECTS ON POST-FIRE COASTAL SAGE REGENERATION ON SANTA CATALINA ISLAND
Bethany Williams. California State University, Fullerton. SONG PLAYBACK EXPERIMENTS IN ANNA’S AND COSTA’S HUMMINGBIRDS

Biological Sciences – 1st Place Poster
Rebecca Hernandez. California State University, Fullerton. THE EFFECTS OF DISTURBANCE OF BIOLOGICAL SOIL CRUSTS ON THE GERMINATION OF EXOTIC PLANTS IN COASTAL SAGE SCRUB

Biological Sciences – Honorable Mention Poster
Francisca Herrera. California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. EFFECTS OF SMALL-SCALE DISTURBANCE ON SEED BANK SPECIES IN A COASTAL SAGE SCRUB COMMUNITY
Kimberly Nelson. California State University, Fullerton. EFFECTS OF ANTHROPOGENIC WATER INPUTS ON ARGENTINE ANT INVASION IN RIPARIAN AREAS OF SOUTHERN ORANGE COUNTY

Student Grants
The Southern California Academy of Sciences supports a program of Grants to graduate students. One stipulation for the winners is that they present their research at the following year’s Annual Meeting. This years award winners were
Lisa Komoroske, San Diego State University
Contaminant levels in the East Pacific green turtle (Chelonia mydas) and its ecosystem in the San Diego Bay, CA

Stephen M. Trbovich, California State University, Long Beach
Genetic Population Differences of Kelp Bass (Paralabrax clathratus) in the Southern California Channel Islands: Effects of Complex Current Systems on Gene Flow