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## Georgia Southern Student Awarded Prestigious Grant



Georgia Southern Student, Martin Muinos, was recently awarded a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program award to continue his research in the Mechanical Engineering department under the supervision of Dr. Valentin Soloiu.

During his two years as an undergraduate researcher, Martin published 4 peer reviewed papers and had over 10 posters and presentations, two of which he received merit recognition diplomas. He also won two undergraduate grants with his projects and was the lead undergraduate researcher in Dr. Soloiu's lab.

After receiving a Master degree in Mechanical Engineering, Energy Science at GSU, Martin plans to pursue a PhD in the automotive field or become a researcher at one of the National Labs in U.S.

Dr. Soloiu describes Martin as a generous and compassionate person that understands the values of sharing and outreach to the communities within the state of Georgia.

We want to congratulate Martin Muinos on this outstanding achievement!

## Research Symposium 2015 – Winners Circle



The Georgia Southern University Research Symposium is a conference style showcase of student and faculty research across multiple disciplines. This event included speakers, and poster and presentation sessions from all academic disciplines.

### 2015 Jack N. Averitt Award

We want to congratulate the two individuals who received the 2015 Jack N. Averitt Award: Zachary Dietrich, for Excellence in Research, and Joshua Holloway, for Excellence in Instruction. This award is the highest honor bestowed upon graduate students within the Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies.

### 2015 Presentation and Poster Winner

Student poster and presentations were judged and awarded based on abstract/proposal submissions and the presentation of their work on the day of the Symposium. The following individuals were the presentation and poster winners:

## 2015 Research Symposium Presentation and Poster Winners

EDUCATION & LEARNING	
<b>1st Place Presentation</b>	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
Amy Zieziula	KiJana White
<b>2nd Place Presentation</b>	<b>2nd Place Poster</b>
Christy Howard	Keenya Riggins
ENGINEERING & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	
<b>1st Place Presentation</b>	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
Bikiran Guha	Paul Burpe
<b>2nd Place Presentation</b>	<b>2nd Place Poster</b>
Joseph Meador	Sakib Iqbal
EXERCISE SCIENCE & HUMAN PERFORMANCE	
	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
	Keagan Kiely
	<b>2nd Place Poster</b>
	Eric Shiflet
HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES	
<b>1st Place Presentation</b>	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
Matthew Bryant	Courtney Bevssink
<b>2nd Place Presentation</b>	<b>2nd Place Poster</b>
Anna Wells	Kristin Campbell
MBI (Molecular Biology Initiative)	
<b>1st Place Presentation</b>	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
Alicia Reigel	Louise Zehr
<b>2nd Place Presentation</b>	<b>2nd Place Poster</b>
Crystal Ivey	Dean Moore
NATURAL & PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
<b>1st Place Presentation</b>	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
Whitney Morgan	Ryan Day
<b>2nd Place Presentation</b>	<b>2nd Place Poster</b>
Matthew Just	Sara Benevente
PUBLIC HEALTH & WELL BEING	
<b>1st Place Presentation</b>	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
Blessing Odion	Maria Politis
<b>2nd Place Presentation</b>	<b>2nd Place Poster</b>
Maria Politis	Anne Bennett
QUALITATIVE RESEARCH	
<b>1st Place Presentation</b>	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
Jenny Brown	Yiming Jin
BUSINESS & LOGISTICS	
<b>1st Place Presentation</b>	<b>1st Place Poster</b>
Cesar Ayara	Thomas Hamilton
<b>2nd Place Presentation</b>	
Willis Mwangola	

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