

DALE KIRK ENDOWMENT

The Dale E. Kirk Endowment honors the legacy of Dale Kirk, an Agricultural Engineering professor at OSU for forty years. In addition to being one of the most sought-after professors on campus from the mid-1940's to mid-1980's, Kirk was also a pioneering researcher. Among his many engineering accomplishments, he developed a mechanical strawberry harvester and a grass seed field-burning device. He was very active in the American Society of Agricultural Engineers and a leader at the state, regional and national level. He was elected to the grade of Fellow, a distinction earned by only 2% of ASAE membership.

PURPOSE

To ensure that Oregon State University and the Biological & Ecological Engineering Department can continue to draw the highest-caliber students and thereby help build the programs' national and international reputation.

NATURE OF THE AWARD

The award shall consist of a cash award given to an undergraduate student enrolled in the department. The amount of the award will be dependent upon the annual income from the Dale Kirk Endowment which resides with the OSU Foundation. The name of the recipient and the year of the award will be inscribed on a plaque displayed in the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering.

DONOR

Dale E. Kirk Endowment Fund

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The recipient must be enrolled full-time as an undergraduate student at OSU with Biological & Ecological Engineering being their academic major.

SELECTION

Selection of the recipient will be made by the Department of Biological & Ecological Engineering Scholarship Committee. Selection will be made based on scholarship, leadership and extra-curricular activities.

PROCEDURES

The first award was presented in 2001. It is presented at an appropriate occasion selected by the Biological & Ecological Engineering Department Scholarship Committee. A student may apply for this award or be nominated by a fellow student or faculty member of the Biological & Ecological Engineering Department. A nomination packet will include a resume of the nominee, a letter of support from the major advisor, a copy of their most recent university transcript and no more than two letters of support.

ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLICITY

Announcement of the award and the name of the recipient shall be facilitated through the Biological & Ecological Engineering Department.

DALE KIRK ENDOWMENT RECIPIENTS

2017 Logan Adams, Lucas Evans, Kimberly Solberg
2016 Jessica Chadwick, Samuel Rabe
2015 Austin Hall, Micco Emeson
2014 Ryan Niese, Kayla Rickford, Mary Morgan McCarthy
2013 Sada Egenriether
2012 Zachary Dunn, Dustin DeGeorge
2011 Drew Mahedy
2010 Benjamin Dawson
2009 Laureine El Khoury
2008 Hilary Rogers
2007 Cara Walter
2006 Jed Eberly
2006 Sun Hwa Park
2005 Aristides Petrides
2001 John Ellis and Clayton Jeffryes