







# MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY HONORS COLLEGE

2021 - 2022 ENDOWMENT REPORT















# RESEARCH TRANSFORMS THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Read the Full Story: bit.ly/MeghaPratapwar





During her senior year of school, Megha Pratapwar was given an opportunity she could not refuse, a professorial assistantship. University funding allows the Honors College to offer about 200 first-year students this opportunity annually.

**THANKS TO DONORS** the Honors College is able to offer additional professorial assistantships with marked success. The Wielenga Research Scholars is our largest donor funded cohort, supporting 58 Honors College professorial assistantships over four years.

The first Wielenga cohort graduated last spring, and three graduates are now in premier medical schools; one earned a Fulbright Scholarship and is studying in Morocco; three are engineers; one is pursuing a Ph.D. in physics; and another is a professional composer/musician pursuing a Ph.D. in fine arts.

A stipend of \$4,000 funds each student for a year. Cohorts typically consist of 5-20 students creating synergy and a sense of academic community. Many are first-generation college students and/or low-income students who would not otherwise have this opportunity. For more information on supporting a research scholar contact Tonya Frisbey at frisbey2@msu.edu.

### **MSU DEBATE TEAM FALL 2022 SUCCESS**

The Debate Team has had a winning Fall 2022 semester. In October, the team won the George Ziegelmueller Invitational Tournament hosted by Wayne State University. MSU Debate has been in the championship round at the Wayne State Tournament four of the last five years, and this is the second time in three years that MSU Debate has won.

The team has also had strong results at other tournaments during the fall semester. MSU reached elimination debates at the Owen L. Coon Memorial Tournament hosted by Northwestern University. We had teams in elimination debates in two divisions at the JW Patterson Debates

hosted by the University of Kentucky, and we reached the elimination rounds at the Jesuit Debates hosted by Gonzaga University. At the ADA Fall Championship, a JV team finished in the final four, and that same weekend, we cleared a team at the Wake Forest University tournament in the open division.

The highlight of the fall semester was participating in an exhibition debate against the University of Michigan at the North American International Propulsion Conference hosted by SAE International. MSU Debaters spent months preparing to debate electric vehicles in front of over 300 industry experts.

Recognizing the intricacies of the subject matter, students met regularly with specialists to gain a better understanding to prepare for the debate. They really wowed the crowd with their grasp of technical knowledge in the electric vehicle space.

For those who have spent time in the Debate Team Offices in Linton Hall, the most surprising update of the fall semester may be the upgrades to the squad room. Over the last several years, the space has been updated, and thanks to crowd power efforts during #GiveGreenDay 2022, the renovations are complete.

bit.ly/MSUAutomotiveDebate



As 2023 begins, thank you for your investment in the Honors College. Your support has made a tremendous impact on the educational journey of our students. These students represent the depth and breadth of MSU diversity, with different backgrounds, majors representing every college and participation in hundreds of student organizations.

Because of you, students have received scholarships to assist with the cost of tuition, participated in national and global travel opportunities, furthered their understanding of research, and contributed to the impact of Michigan State University faculty work on local, national, and global issues.

Your support allows the Honors College to continue to improve the quality and delivery of innovative teaching, research, and outreach – the foundation of the land-grant model, by allowing the students to have more hands-on opportunities.

Enjoy these stories showcasing the impact of philanthropic support. It is because of your gifts that students are able to reach their greatest potential.

Sincerely,

Christopher P. Long Dean, College of Arts & Letters

Dean, MSU Honors College

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### Donors Support Next Generation of Excellence





Donors make all the difference when it comes to a student's ability to access learning resources — research, study abroad programs, internships, or other learning opportunities — you name it.

Watch the Video: bit.ly/SupportStuSuccess

### Honors Alumnus Furthers Education in Medicine





The application process for medical school can be long, stressful, and time-consuming — especially amidst a global pandemic. But a current D.O. candidate at the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine has made the best of it throughout his time at MSU.

Read the Full Story: bit.ly/ABenedict

### **2022 Honors Graduate Shares Experiences, Passion for the Future**





Five years ago, Taylor Kovach never imagined she would graduate from the Honors College at Michigan State University. As a first-generation student who grew up below the poverty threshold, she had her fair share of obstacles, but that didn't stop her from maintaining a 4.0 GPA.

Read the Full Story: bit.ly/TaylorKovach



#### **HONORS COLLEGE IMPACT**

The Honors College hosts a service week called HC Impact. Students focus on areas related to social inequity and inequality and complete service and outreach in the Greater Lansing community, designed for incoming first-year students with diverse majors and interests seeking enriched academic and leadership opportunities in the first year of college.

# 2022 HC IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

**INCOMING STUDENTS FROM** 

11 STATES COUNTRIES

FACULTY AND COMMUNITY EDUCATORS

COMMUNITY

HOURS OF COMMUNITY ENGAGED LEARNING

HOURS OF COLLECTIVE SERVICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT HC IMPACT, PLEASE VISIT: BIT.LY/HCIMPACT

## NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The NIFS Office, administered by the Honors College, helps interested MSU undergraduate and graduate students pursue major national and international opportunities by providing information and direct support throughout the competitive application process.

#### **MSU AWARDEES (1918-PRESENT)**

GOLDWATER SCHOLARS
( 3 SCHOLARS 21-22)

RHODES SCHOLARS
(3 FINALISTS 21-22)

MARSHALL SCHOLARS (1 SCHOLAR 21-22)

TRUMAN SCHOLARS

CHURCHILL SCHOLARS

UDALL SCHOLARS

GATES CAMBRIDGE SCHOLARS
(2 SCHOLARS 21-22)

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BEINECKE SCHOLARS

MITCHELL SCHOLARS

JAMES C. GAITHER JR. FELLOWS

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