

## *Honors and Awards received during 2019*

### FACULTY

**Beth Grafton-Cardwell:** C. W. Woodworth Award, Pacific Branch of the Entomological Society of America

**Alexander Raikhel:** 5-year NIH grant for studying mosquito microRNAs and their role in reproduction

### RESEARCH STAFF

**Serguei Triapitsyn:** Short-term Invitational Fellowship for Research in Japan from the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, for research on biological control of agricultural pests by natural enemies

### STUDENTS

**Chris Allen:** Shipley-Skinner Riverside County Endowment

**Magda Argueta-Guzmán:** UC Mexus - CONACYT fellowship

NatGeo Early Career Grant

Gilstrap travel award to attend ESA

**Austin Baker:** UCR Graduate Division Dissertation Year Program Fellowship

**Jacob M. Cecala:** USDA NIFA Predoctoral Fellowship  
2nd place, PhD Student 10-min oral presentation, ESA Pacific Branch 2019

**Chrissy Dodge:** Poster competition winner, ESA Pacific Branch

**Krissy Dominguez :** Robert & Peggy van den Bosch Memorial Scholarship (Center for Biological Control at UC Berkely)

Dr. Janet M. Boyce Memorial Endowed Award for Women in Science (CNAS Scholarship)

**Deena Husein:** Robert & Peggy van den Bosch Memorial Scholarship

**Jaimie Kenney:** 2nd Place, Student Competition, ESA National Meeting 2019

**Laura Leger :** NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program Award

**Paul Masonick:** UCR Graduate Division Dissertation Year Program Fellowship

**Kelsey McCalla (Schall):** Student Leadship Award, ESA Pacific Branch,

**Kaleigh Russell:** USDA NIFA AFRI Pre-Doctoral Fellowship

**Madison Sankovitz:** 1st place, Student Competition, ESA national meeting

Boulder County Parks & Open Space research grant

**Jacqueline Serrano:** UCR Graduate Division Dissertation Year Program Fellowship

**Tessa Shates:** Outstanding Teacher Assistant Award, 2018-2019 academic year

Shipley-Skinner Reserve – Riverside County Endowment for 2019-2020

**Rob Straser:** UC Global Food Initiative Ambassador  
CDFA Healthy Soils Program Award

**Julie Tsecouras:** American Mosquito Control Association  
Young Professional Industry Shadowing Program Travel Grant

Ian and Helen Moore Marine and Aquatic Entomology Award

**Xinmi Zhang:** Ian and Helen Moore Marine and Aquatic Entomology Scholarship

1st place, Student Presentation, ESA national meeting 2019

Mayhew Graduate Research Award

### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

**Tiffany Domer:** 1st place for ESA undergraduate competition for the Systematics Evolution and Biodiversity section

**Cebrina Nolan:** Student Talk Award, 20th World Congress of the International Society on Toxinology

**Gina Zhuo:** Undergraduate poster competition winner, ESA Pacific Branch

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