



Distinguished Scholarships Program

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

Meet a WSU Distinguished Scholar...

Nicholas Negretti

Scholarship: Goldwater

Degree Program: PhD student in Molecular Biosciences

Degree: BS 2014 in Microbiology

Research: How do certain bacteria in foods make people sick? Specifically how does *Campylobacter jejuni*, the leading bacterial cause of food-borne illness, cause disease in humans? Most *C. jejuni* infections are a result of eating foods cross contaminated with raw poultry products. My Goldwater distinguished scholarship funded one year of my education and helped me begin this research as an undergraduate in the STARS program and continue it into my PhD studies in WSU's School of Molecular Biosciences.

Plans: Upon completing my PhD, I will continue my goal to reduce the burden of pathogens on human health in the U.S. and abroad. Additionally, I plan to publish research findings in leading scientific journals and mentor younger researchers.



You're invited!

The WSU Distinguished
Scholars Gallery
Dedication and Reception

3:30 - 5:30 p.m., Oct. 3
CUB Lower Level

(4 p.m. guest speaker Dr. Frank
Gilmore, president
of the Goldwater
Foundation)

*You are cordially
invited to two
Homecoming events!*

The first WSU Distinguished Scholars Gathering

2:00 - 3:00 p.m., Friday Oct. 3, CUE 518

Students, meet Nicholas and WSU's other distinguished scholarship award winners, learn about their experiences, and find out how you can earn prestigious awards as well.

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Process

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