

2017 Department of Biology Awards

JOSEPH E. GREAVES ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

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I am a student from Hailey, Idaho. Back home I raced in cross country skiing and running. I also participated in debate earning an Academic All American award through the National Speech and Debate Association. I decided to come to Utah State so I could continue my academic career while still remaining active. I am an honors student,

and have kept my position in the honors college through the past 3 terms since I enrolled at this university. I am currently working through my biology major, with a focus in human biology. I do however want to look into some classes related to ecology. In my opinion some of the most important areas of study in the next decade will be related to conservation. I love to be outdoors and I want to preserve our world's natural wonders for future generations. That is one reason I have loved being at Utah State, we have immediate access to many recreation areas here. In the summer and fall I can climb in Logan canyon, and in the winter Beaver Mountain is just a short drive away, and has become one of my favorite ski areas. My service has been limited as I work full time in the summer, and winter break. During winter break though I work as a ski instructor, which is an amazing opportunity to introduce kids to such an amazing sport. It is rewarding to be a positive influence on those kid's lives. Currently my long term plans are in the medical field, but I like I said earlier I am also considering looking into conservation biology as being part of my career goals.