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**NACE FOUNDATION AWARDS MORE THAN \$30,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS
TO STUDENTS INTERESTED IN PURSUING CORROSION CAREERS**

Scholarship winners look forward to soon becoming dedicated corrosion professionals

HOUSTON (March 23, 2010) --- NACE Foundation recently announced its 2010 scholarship recipients, awarding more than \$30,000 to students enrolled in degree programs related to the study of corrosion and corrosion control. The only organization dedicated to preparing the new generation of corrosion professionals, NACE Foundation congratulated this year's recipients during its annual scholarship awards ceremony held at NACE International's Corrosion 2010 Conference in San Antonio, Texas.

For the 11 scholarships a total of 65 applications were received. A selection committee made up of corrosion professionals chose the following recipients based on their academic excellence, professional work experience and commitment to the corrosion industry:

- \$2,500 NACE Foundation Academic Scholarship*
 - Ezeddin Busba, University of South Florida
 - Eric Schindelholz, University of Virginia
- \$1,000 NACE Foundation Book Scholarship*
 - Shengxi Li, University of Hawaii at Manoa
 - Mersedeh Akhoondan, University of South Florida
- \$6,450 Hans Schmoldt Scholarship in Cathodic Protection*
 - Eric Cole, Ohio State University
- \$1,000 MJ Schiff Fellowship Fund*
 - Sean Quigley, California Polytechnic State University
- \$1,000 NACE Philadelphia Section Liberty Bell Academic Scholarship*
 - Christopher Kasian, Drexel University
- \$10,000 Bert Krisher Memorial Scholarship*
 - Samantha Lawrence, Colorado School of Mines
- \$1,000 Melvin C. Miller Memorial Scholarship*
 - Samantha Lawrence, Colorado School of Mines
- \$1,000 Sandia Mountain Scholarship*
 - Samantha Lawrence, Colorado School of Mines
- \$3,000 NACE Eastern Area Scholarship*
 - James Zielske, Florida Atlantic University

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Winning three different scholarships totaling an impressive \$12,000, 21-year-old Colorado School of Mines senior Samantha Lawrence was this year's top recipient and expressed sincere gratitude to the NACE Foundation for helping her achieve success in and out of the classroom.

"I'm ecstatic that I won three scholarships that will fund the rest of my college education," said Lawrence who is from Morgan, Utah. "I would like to continue studying corrosion and eventually work in the corrosion profession. The field of corrosion is huge and it affects every aspect of industry; it is something we need to work on preventing."

In its fifth year of awarding scholarships to deserving students, NACE Foundation is able to provide these scholarships annually because of individual and corporate charitable donations, as well as the generous financial support of NACE areas and sections. NACE Foundation's executive director, Manny Mones, applauded the winners for their diligence and commitment to the industry.

"We are extremely proud of our 2010 scholarship winners," said Manny Mones, NACE Foundation's executive director. "They each displayed sincere passion for the corrosion industry and it's our honor to provide these students with financial assistance as a fulfillment of our mission to prepare the new generation of corrosion professionals."

About NACE Foundation

The NACE Foundation is the only organization dedicated to preparing the next generation of corrosion professionals to save the world's infrastructure. The NACE Foundation is committed to meeting the challenge of corrosion by raising public awareness, by inspiring students and educators to pursue the study of corrosion science and engineering, and by investing in scholarships, training and workforce development programs. For more information, visit www.nace-foundation.org.

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