

Biological Sciences

Cameron Olandt

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For his diligent study of the discipline, exceptional course scores, and conscientious desire to assist his Sciences classmates, Cameron Olandt is awarded the 2021 Outstanding Student in the Department of Biological Sciences. Cam has a genuine passion for piecing together scientific details into a cohesive broader understanding of biology. Cameron exemplifies the thoughtful perseverance necessary for successful biological research and the genuine kindness and willingness to help others that are required of an effective clinician. He is respectful and professional, and seeks to create a sense of community. As a thoughtful, patient and effective tutor, Cameron makes students feel at ease throughout their learning process as he guides them to a more integrated understanding of the natural world.

Cameron's Words of Gratitude

I am so grateful to be recognized for such an honorable award. As a PAL tutor, it truly all starts with the students. The students who attend PAL sessions on a regular basis, asking thoughtful questions and helping facilitate the conversations makes my job as a tutor an incredibly enjoyable experience. These students instill motivation within me and the other students to continue the hard work and dedication to the challenging topics of Biology. The Biology department has been incredibly welcoming and supplies so much opportunity for student success. They work endlessly and persistently to provide a learning environment that facilitates academic growth and success in addition to personal growth and self-reflection. For this reason I attribute my award to the people around me, and am thrilled to be recognized as the Outstanding Student of the Year for the Biology department.