

2015 APAM Scholarship Recipients

Brooke Ball is in her 4th year at Ferris State University, in the Construction Management Bachelor's Degree Program, she will also have an Associate's Degree in Highway/Bridge Technology at the end of this semester. Brooke grew up in Stanwood and currently resides in Morley on a small dairy farm with her husband and two children, son Connor, is in the third grade and daughter, Ryann, is in first grade. Brooke has worked for Rieth-Riley Construction Co. since 2010 and spent the last two summers as a density tech intern for them.

Jonathan Baggett; currently a senior at Wayne State University in the civil engineering program. He is a U.S. Navy Veteran, honorably discharged in 2011. He has had three internships through different professional avenues over the past two years; first with the Road Commission for Oakland County as a project inspector, a student research assistant at Wayne State and currently he is working for AECOM/URS where he is primarily involved with corridor management and Intersection timing.

Brett Daavettila; comes from a long line of civil engineers! Brett is currently a freshman at Michigan Technological University. Last summer he worked a co-op job at MDOT out of the Brighton TSC where he did a variety of things. He enjoys sports such as hockey, soccer and football.

Jay Daavettila is a 4th year student at Michigan Technological University seeking a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering-Transportation. He enjoys spending his free time outdoors, playing hockey, golfing, baseball, and hanging out with friends. He plans to do some research in the asphalt paving industry and would love to work around that aspect.

Justin Daavettila is currently in his fourth year at Michigan Technological University in the civil engineering program. The past three summers he has worked for MDOT, first in design out of Lansing and his second and third he worked as a construction aide at the Brighton TSC. Justin comes from a very large family of 13 children, in his free time he plays hockey and golf.

Brittany Klingerman; is pursuing a bachelor's degree in civil engineering at Michigan Technological University. This past summer she was lucky enough to work with Reith-Riley Construction as an intern. Her experience was with quality control located in Kalamazoo and in Benton Harbor Plants. She had the opportunity to learn how to test asphalt while also gathering valuable information she can use in the future.

Eddy Montoya; has a degree in civil engineering for Peru and a bachelor's degree from Wayne State University. Eddy is now pursuing a Master's degree in civil engineering from Wayne State University where he expects to graduate in May of 2017.

Aaron Nelson; is a senior majoring in Civil Engineering at Michigan Technological University. He expects to graduate in the fall of 2016. Aaron enjoys hunting, golf and hanging out with friends. Aaron looks forward to a future career in civil engineering, specifically focusing in the transportation field.

Kip Pennala is currently enrolled at Michigan Technological University where he plans on graduating in the spring of 2016 with a degree in Construction Management. Kip has interned for Tetra Tech out of Brighton where he hopes to work after graduating.

Ben Stachnik; is a senior at Ferris State University in the Heavy/Civil Construction Management program. Ben has interned for Payne & Dolan out of the Gaylord office where he tested asphalt for quality control. Ben plans to graduate in the spring of 2016.

Harold Wilcox is from Detroit and is currently a senior attending Eastern Michigan University studying "Construction Management", specifically seeking a career heavy highway development. Harold has completed three construction related internships getting the chance to work with a civil engineering firm, general contractor and owner. He is currently the Treasurer for the Eastern Constructors student group and active member of the AGC (Associated General Contractors) of Michigan, U.S.G.B.C (United States Green Building Council), ASCE (American Society of Civil Engineers). Harold enjoys learning, working in his field of interest, spending time with family, traveling and helping people.

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