

# Department of Biological Sciences

## Outstanding Biology Student Awards

The Outstanding Biology Student Awards recognize the contributions of our students to the ISU Department of Biological Sciences. These are important awards as they honor our outstanding students and remind us that the scholarly activities of our biology students are central to our department's mission. Faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to nominate outstanding students for the following awards. The award will be announced at the Graduation Reception in early May.

- **Outstanding Undergraduate Student (OUGS)** - the OUGS will be awarded to a full-time undergraduate student that has made significant contributions that could include departmental service, academic achievement, and undergraduate research as indicated by supervisor/mentor recommendations and transcripts.
- **Outstanding Graduate Student (OGS)** - the OGS will be awarded to a full-time graduate student that has made significant contributions to departmental service, research productivity, and academic achievement as indicated by supervisor/mentor recommendations and transcripts.
- **Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant (OGTA)** - the OGTA will be awarded to a full-time graduate student that has made significant contributions to departmental teaching as indicated by student evaluations and supervisor/mentor recommendations.

### Nominate a Student

Nominations will be accepted March through mid-April each year.

1. Write a letter of recommendation and include:

- Award type (OUGS, OGS, or OGTA)
- Name of Nominee
- Explanation for nomination

2. Submit the letter of recommendation to the Biology Main Office (LS 227):

Department of Biological Sciences  
ATTN: Outstanding Biology Student Award  
921 S. 8th Avenue, Stop 8007  
Idaho State University  
Pocatello, ID 83209

<https://www.isu.edu/bios/forms--guidelines/outstanding-biology-student-awards/>