



Scott Lee  
Neuroscience Program 2020 Collins Award Winner

The faculty of the Neuroscience Program are proud to award this year's Collins Award to Scott Lee. Scott is a dynamic and energetic student who has served as a great ambassador for our Program. He led the development of SLU's chapter of Nu Rho Psi, the National Honor Society in Neuroscience. The initiation of this group required considerable work, including the coordination of efforts across campus and within the national organization. Scott has a passion for neuroscience research. He was chosen for the very selective 'Enhance Neuroscience Diversity through Undergraduate Research Experiences' (ENDURE) program at Washington University in St. Louis. Scott was selected from a national pool of applicants, based on interest in neuroscience, enthusiasm for graduate study in neuroscience, and academic performance. During this program, Scott conducted neuroanatomical and molecular studies on synaptogenesis, the process through which brain cells make connections. Scott is an outstanding student in the classroom, having achieved a grade point average of 3.81 out of 4.0 in a rigorous academic program. During his senior year, he was chosen to be a teaching assistant in our course entitled *Introduction to Neuroscience I: Cellular, Molecular, and Systemic*. In addition to his curricular, co-curricular, and research activities, Scott has participated in all manner of volunteering activities on campus and throughout the St. Louis region. Next year, Scott will take a year off from school to gain more research experience. He plans to work towards the M.D. and Ph.D. degrees in order to conduct clinical research on neurodevelopmental disorders.