Shruthi Boggarupu
Department of Psychology 2020 Collins Award Winner

The faculty of the Department of Psychology are proud to award this year’s Collins Award to Shruthi Boggarupu. Shruthi is a part of SLU’s prestigious Medical Scholars Program and plans to pursue her M.D. at SLU College of Medicine. Shruthi is an outstanding student in the classroom, having earned a grade point average of 3.98 out of 4.0. In addition to this feat, Shruthi is engaged in all manner of extra-curricular activities. Some of these activities include working as a Research Assistant in two different laboratories during her time at SLU. This includes working in the Child and Family Research Lab in the Department of Psychology, where she conducted research on child and family socialization processes. Most recently, Shruthi worked as a Clinical Research Assistant in the Department of Anesthesiology at Washington University in St. Louis. Her work in this laboratory focused on cognitive flexibility in chronic pain patients. In addition to her academic and research involvement, Shruthi has served a number of volunteer organizations. These organizations include Habitat for Humanity, the Association of Pakistani Physicians of North America Clinic, and spending some time abroad with the Global Medical Brigade in Honduras. She has also taken a number of leadership positions on campus: she is president of the Alpha Epsilon Delta pre-health club and is the Diversity and Leadership Chair of the Hindu Student Community. Shruthi is an outstanding ambassador for our Department. We are proud of her accomplishments and wish her the best of luck after graduation.