

Faculty Activity Report, December 2025

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The [**Honors Program**](#) hosted the **Honors Student Research Conference** on Dec. 6. All winners received gift cards at the Awards Ceremony and Honors Oral Presentation Winners are eligible to apply to the **Western Regional Honors Council conference** in Las Vegas this spring.

► Check out these [**conference photos!**](#)

Honors Oral Presentation Awards

1. **Kendra Skelton:** Attachment Styles to Humans vs Animal Companions; Implications For The Efficacy of Animal Assisted Therapies
2. **Ava Minns Prezeau:** Narratives of Control: Conspiracy and the power of Communication
3. **Hazel Bridge:** Defining The Mind: A Deep Dive into Human Consciousness

Honors Poster Awards

1. **Joshua Nguyen:** Hypoallergenic Pets: Aligning Public Perception with Biological Reality
2. **Brie Tweedy:** From Awareness to Action: The Impact of Animal Welfare Information on Food Choices and Consumer Behavior

STEM Oral Presentation Awards

1. **Philip Neuharth:** When Exercise Hurts: Energy Deficits and Demyelination as Drivers of Motor Neuron Degeneration in ALS
2. **Isaiah Wilson:** Smart Fires

STEM Poster Awards

1. **Cathy Cary, Rocco Saldamando, Kyle Miller:** Wild Strawberry: a Wild Remedy, Exploring its Antimicrobial Power
2. **Ellana Schreifels, John Dennis, Jessica Wissmann:** Bioprospecting for Antibiotics in Northwest Montana: Do Dried Plant Samples Maintain Their Antimicrobial Power?
3. **Abraham Chetnik:** Smart Fires