



Equipment Service Association Announces Winners of 2021 Scholarship Drawing

The Equipment Service Association (ESA) is pleased to announce the three winners of its annual scholarship drawing. The winners were picked during a live drawing on Zoom with ESA members and students in attendance. The winners are Jennifer Bustamante, Shandale Howard, and Corey Valleroy.

“ESA is proud to offer this opportunity to our members and their communities,” said Rick Lindemann, President of ESA and Dakota Fluid Power. “We would also like to extend our best wishes to all of the students who applied and our thanks to those who donated to the ESA Scholarship Foundation.”

The ESA Scholarship Foundation began in 1994 and is a 501(c)3 charitable foundation fully funded by donations. Each winner of the 2021 scholarship will receive \$2,000 toward their education.



“For starters, thank you so much ESA and Devine Hydraulics Inc. for this amazing opportunity,” said Jennifer Bustamante, a fourth-year student at the University of Connecticut. “I am a marine science major with a passion for macrobiology and marine technology. This scholarship will help me greatly in my final year at UCONN Avery Point and beyond. I hope one day to pursue research in my chosen field in a lab of my own or perhaps on a research vessel. I would not be where I am today without the support of my family, friends, and the DHI family. I would also like to thank the ESA and the Scholarship Committee for their long-standing work for helping students like myself.”



“As I enter my last few semesters of college, I am grateful to be awarded this scholarship,” said Shandale Howard, an early childhood education major. “This scholarship will help me in many ways from course books to class supplies. I will be working towards my bachelor's degree, and I plan to finish in the fall of 2022. Attending college allows me to receive a degree so I can better support my community in preparing the children for our future. Having sponsors who are willing to support myself and other students in school helps a lot because it relieves some of the financial stress that attending college brings. My words of thankfulness will not be enough for all your donations and time placed into making this scholarship possible for me.”



“I was ecstatic when I was informed that I had won the ESA scholarship,” said Corey Valleroy, a third-year student at the University of Missouri-Columbia. “This scholarship will help me further my learning and experience by providing me the ability to greatly increase my time in the classroom helping myself and my peers. Once I join the workforce, I hope to return the favor to future students by helping them get the most from their learning experiences while at college. Thank you to ESA for this wonderful opportunity.”

Over the past 27 years, the ESA Scholarship Foundation has awarded more than \$50,000 in scholarships. ESA will begin accepting applications of the 2022 scholarship awards in December.