



Copeland-Johnson

## **Chemical Engineering Student Receives Society of Chemical Industry Internship**

**Tampa, Fla. (April 25, 2011)** – Trishelle Copeland-Johnson, a junior in the Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering, has been awarded a 10-week internship through the Society of Chemical Industry (SCI) Scholars Program. The SCI Scholars Program provides industry internships for exceptional sophomores and juniors majoring in chemistry and chemical engineering. SCI Scholars are selected based on the strength of their application, statement of interest in an industrial internship, and letters of recommendation. Twenty-nine scholars were chosen from a nationwide application pool for internship positions during summer 2011.

Copeland-Johnson will intern with Air Liquide, Inc. in Newark, Delaware with a research project focused on the development of algae-based biofuels. In addition to financial support and industry mentoring, the SCI internship will provide travel funding for a national conference presentation. Trishelle will also nominate a high school chemistry teacher to receive an ASCI sponsored \$1,000 award.

The Society of Chemical Industry (SCI), America International Group (AIG), American Chemical Society (ACS), and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) developed the summer internship program to introduce academically talented chemistry and chemical engineering undergraduates to careers in the chemical industry.

SCI Program: 2011 Summer Internships (please hyperlink the name of the program)
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