



Electrical Engineering Student Receives Goldwater Scholarship

Jean Weatherwax is a 2011 Goldwater Scholar

Tampa, Fla. (March 29, 2011) – Undergraduate electrical engineering student Jean Weatherwax has been named a 2011 Goldwater Scholar. Goldwater Scholars were selected on the basis of academic merit from a field of 1,095 mathematics, science, and engineering students who were nominated by the faculties of colleges and universities nationwide. The one and two year scholarships will cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board up to a maximum of \$7,500 per year.

One hundred seventy of the Scholars are men, 105 are women, and virtually all intend to obtain a Ph.D. as their degree objective. Twenty-four Scholars are mathematics majors, 194 are science and related majors, 52 are majoring in engineering, and 5 are computer science majors. Many of the Scholars have dual majors in a variety of mathematics, science, engineering, and computer disciplines.

The **Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program** was established by Congress in 1986 to honor Senator Barry M. Goldwater, who served his country for 56 years as a soldier and statesman, including 30 years of service in the U.S. Senate.

The purpose of the Foundation is to provide a continuing source of highly qualified scientists, mathematicians, and engineers by awarding scholarships to college students who intend to pursue careers in these fields. For more information: <http://news.usf.edu/article/templates/?a=3300&z=127>

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