



PCI Awards 2016-2017 Scholarships

The Powder Coating Institute (PCI) has named its 2016-17 scholarship recipients and recently recognized the worthy students at the PC Summit in Columbus, Ohio. The PC Summit presented by PCI and the Powder Coating Research Group offers in-depth presentations and panel discussions led by top researchers from the world's preeminent coatings institutes and a fine array of industry engineers and formulators. The scholarship recipients participated in the Summit to further enhance their learning and grow their connections for the future.

PCI administers the Scholarship Program and works with PCI staff to promote and solicit scholarship applications from students and education institutions. PCI received many qualified applicants and is excited to watch the research and development of the projects generated by these talented students. The scholarship fund continues to grow and attract bright new talent to the industrial coatings technologies, including polymer science, manufacturing and engineering. The PCI 201617 Scholarship Program awarded \$10,000 collectively. PCI's Executive Director, Trena Benson shares, "It was a true privilege to present the PCI scholarships to these deserving, and very appreciative, students. They represent the future of our industry and what better way to support their goals. In addition, the PC Summit was a great venue to connect the students with key people in the powder coating industry. "

Congratulations to each of the following students who were awarded scholarships this year:

Youcheng Du - Eastern Michigan University

Diana Marcela Rodriguez - Eastern Michigan University

Ozlem Akdogan - Eastern Michigan University

The Powder Coating Institute established the scholarship fund for students pursuing studies in powder coating technology. These scholarships are awarded annually to deserving student researchers who have applied for this scholarship. The criteria for the awards include: relevance

to powder coating technology, comprehensiveness of the university program, future goals, unique qualifications and a letter of recommendation from their adviser.

In addition to the PCI scholarships, we have two named scholarships that were awarded by PCI member companies, Nordson and Axalta. The growth of the scholarship program enhances the potential of young engineers in the industry and PCI is proud to be a part of it.

Congratulations to the named scholarship recipients:

Axalta PCI Scholarship

Zhongzheng Cai - University of Houston

Nordson Builds PCI Scholarship

Jakob Waffan - Ohio University

Visit the PCI website, www.powdercoating.org for more information and the application process for all the scholarship opportunities.