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Outstanding student recognized

David Yatsonsky II of Jefferson Township was one of four recipients of the Frank O'Hara medal at the University of Scranton. These students were recognized for their outstanding academic achievement at an awards ceremony on campus.

The award is given in honor of the late Frank O'Hara who served in various administrative positions at the University for 53 years.

Medals were given to first-, second-, third-year, and graduate students with the highest grade-point averages in the College of Arts and Sciences, Kania School of Management, and the Panuska College of Professional Studies for the 2014-2015 academic year.

David Yatsonsky, a sophomore, is a biochemistry cell and molecular biology major. A member of the University's Honors Program, Yatsonsky is active in Biology Club, Chess club, and the Health Professions Organization. He is also Vice President of the Commuter Student Association.

Yatsonsky is a Dean's List student who volunteers at the Leahy Food Pantry and works as a teaching assistant for the biochemistry lab.

As a Presidential Scholarship recipient, Yatsonsky has also done research at the University with Timothy Foley, Ph.D.

Through summer internship programs, he's done research at The Commonwealth Medical College, the University of Toledo Medical Center, and the Ohio State University Medical Center.



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