

2017 Kyoto University President's Award Winners and Citations

Awardee	Category	Citation
<p>Kaichi Yanaoka</p> <p>Second year, doctoral program, Division of Educational Studies, Graduate School of Education</p>	<p>Scholarship</p>	<p>Mr Yanaoka published three papers in Japan's leading psychology journals — <i>The Japanese Journal of Psychology</i>, <i>The Japanese Journal of Educational Psychology</i>, and <i>The Japanese Journal of Developmental Psychology</i> — and one first-author paper in Elsevier's <i>Journal of Experimental Child Psychology</i>.</p> <p>He has also received the FY2016 Kido Award (Kido Shorei Sho) from the Japanese Association of Educational Psychology, a 2017 travel fellowship from the European Association for Developmental Psychology, and the 2017-2018 dean's award for academic excellence from the KyotoU Graduate School of Education.</p>
<p>Yuko Kubota</p> <p>Third year, doctoral program, Electrical Engineering, Graduate</p>	<p>Scholarship</p>	<p>Ms Kubota has had three papers published in the American Geophysical Union's <i>Journal of Geophysical Research</i>, including one which she had led the authorship.</p>

School of Engineering		<p>She has also received the following accolades:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Young Scientist Award from the International Union of Radio Science</li> <li>● Best Poster Award from Asia Oceania Geosciences Society</li> <li>● Outstanding Student Presentation Award from Japan Geoscience Union</li> <li>● Student Presentation Award (Aurora Medal) from the Society of Geomagnetism and Earth, Planetary and Space Sciences</li> <li>● Mazume Research Encouragement Prize (Mazume Kenkyu Shorei Sho) from the KyotoU Graduate School of Engineering</li> <li>● Honorable Mention in the KyotoU Tachibana Award for Outstanding Women Researchers</li> </ul>
<p>Saho Takagi</p> <p>Third year, doctoral program, Division of Behavioral Studies, Graduate School of Letters</p>	Scholarship	<p>Working in the field of comparative cognitive science, which deals with diverse animal species, Ms Takagi has developed a novel method for studying cats, long avoided by scientists due to their handling difficulty. She has gone on to make numerous discoveries using this method, and had two papers published by Springer and Elsevier to international acclaim.</p>

<p>Takayuki Nakamuro</p> <p>Third year, doctoral program, Synthetic Chemistry and Biological Chemistry, Graduate School of Engineering</p>	<p>Scholarship</p>	<p>Working on the development of new reactions using organometallic catalysts, Mr Nakamuro has successfully synthesized an optically active hydrocarbon, attracting worldwide attention.</p> <p>He was one of 45 finalists for the 2017 Reaxys PhD Prize (out of 550 candidates), and, at the 8<sup>th</sup> Otsu Conference, was selected a Fellow and given a Research Proposal Award (Kenkyu Kikaku Sho, out of 17 candidates).</p>
<p>Toshikazu Yamanishi</p> <p>Fourth year, Engineering Science, Faculty of Engineering</p>	<p>Extracurricular activity</p>	<p>Mr Yamanishi won the men's 20-kilometer walk at the 2017 Summer Universiade, and the 10,000-m event at the 85th and 86th Japan National University Championships.</p>
<p>SHINOBI</p> <p>(represented by Tatsuya Takemori, second year, master's program, Mechanical Engineering and Science, Graduate School of</p>	<p>Extracurricular activity</p>	<p>Team SHINOBI won first place as well as the Best in Class Dexterity and SICE Awards at RoboCup Japan Open 2017 Rescue Robot League, and advanced to the finals and earned two awards at RoboCup 2017 Nagoya RoboCupRescue Robot League.</p>

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INC-K (represented by Joji Okuno, fourth year, Faculty of Law)	Extracurricular activity	Mr Okuno's team won the 16 <sup>th</sup> Intercollegiate Negotiation Competition.
Kyoto University Rowing Club men's coxed four team (captain: Kota Suzuki, fourth year, Department of Science, Faculty of Science)	Extracurricular activity	Mr Suzuki and his team won first place in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> China Rowing Open, as well as finishing second in the men's coxed four category at the 95th All Japan Rowing Championships, and third at the 70 <sup>th</sup> Asahi Regatta.
Shun Fujii First year, master's program, Chemical Engineering, Graduate School of Engineering	Extracurricular activity	Mr Fujii placed third in the 18th Osaka International Music Competition, playing the alto saxophone.
Wild Idea (represented by Ayame Hanada,	Public service	Ms Hanada and her teammates invented a new form of sport designed to train school children in the use of automated external defibrillators (AEDs).

fourth year, Human Health Science, Faculty of Medicine)		The idea earned the team first place in the 2016 inochi Student Forum and a 2017 excellent service award from the AED Foundation of Japan.
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