2016-17 Von Ehr Scholars named

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Four more incoming students have been selected to receive Von Ehr Scholarships in the Michigan State University College of Engineering.

The 2016-17 Von Ehr Scholars are:

• Anthony Bassett of Eaton Rapids, currently an Engineering – no preference major,

• Ksenia Pestova of DeWitt, studying computer science,

• Taylor Ruelle of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, studying mechanical engineering,

• Jack Studzinski of Shelby Township, studying computer science.

A $1 million endowed scholarship fund was established in 2006 by James R. Von Ehr II, a 1972 computer science graduate and successful entrepreneur who has long demonstrated his commitment to MSU and the college through service and philanthropy. The intent of the scholarships is “to provide financial assistance to outstanding undergraduate students who come from humble backgrounds, as I did,” Von Ehr said.

Qualified prospective students—those scoring in the 90th percentile and above on national placement exams and who have a proven financial need—are invited to apply for the scholarships, which are renewable for four years.
Incoming freshman applicants are required to write a brief essay that describes their idea of the meaning of “free enterprise” and “liberty,” and relate how these principles help to promote creativity and the transmission of technological benefits to different world cultures and society in general.

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