University of Arkansas Pine Bluff Awarded $7,000
USPOULTRY Foundation Student Recruiting Grant

Tucker, Ga., April 30, 2019 – The USPOULTRY Foundation awarded a $7,000 student recruiting grant to the Animal Science Department at the University of Arkansas Pine Bluff (UAPB). The grant was made possible in part by an endowing Foundation gift from George’s Inc. and was presented to Dr. Jayant Lohakare, assistant professor of Animal Science at the University, by John Starkey, president of the USPOULTRY Foundation.

A portion of the funds will be used to further develop the University’s Poultry Science program, creating research programs and facilities on campus for the use of poultry science. These facilities will help animal science students to learn more about potential careers in the poultry industry. Additionally, it is hoped that the programs will draw interest to the University’s 3+1 transfer degree program with the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. This allows students to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture/animal science from UAPB and a concurrent Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural, food and life sciences/poultry science from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

The USPOULTRY Foundation awarded recruiting grants totaling $328,300 for the 2018-19 school year to 34 colleges and universities across the United States with either a poultry science department or a poultry studies program. The student recruiting program dates to 1994 when the USPOULTRY board of directors established the Foundation to provide annual recruiting funds to attract students to poultry studies and ultimately into careers in the poultry industry.

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The USPOULTRY Foundation’s mission is to support the recruitment and training of the brightest students, seek and fund scientific research, foster student scientists and promote careers in the poultry and egg industry.
Photo Caption: Dr. Jayant Lohakare, associate professor of animal science at the University of Arkansas Pine Bluff, receiving a $7,000 student recruiting grant donation, from John Starkey, president of the USPOULTRY Foundation, along with several staff and students.