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Frank Perdue Scholarship Student of the Year Awarded to Guillermo Tellez during USPOULTRY Foundation College Student Career Program

TUCKER, Ga. – Feb. 12, 2020 – Guillermo Tellez, a senior at the University of Arkansas, was named the Frank Perdue Scholarship Student of the Year during the USPOULTRY Foundation College Student Career Program, held in conjunction with the 2020 International Production & Processing Expo (IPPE). The scholarship is named in Frank Perdue’s honor, for his dedication to aspiring young people studying for careers in the poultry industry, and who, for many years as a long-time supporter of the College Student Career Program, attended the program and interviewed students. Iris Wormington, University of Arkansas, was awarded second place, and Savannah Wells, University of Arkansas, received third place.

Jarod Morrison, chief financial officer for Farbest Foods, USPOULTRY board member and College Student Career Program chairman stated, “We had great applications for Student of the Year, thus making judging tough this year, as it is every year. We are excited to see the growth in the number of good, quality applications as well as the steady growth overall of the College Student Career Program.”

Students also participated in Club of the Year and Scrapbook of the Year competitions. North Carolina State University was named Club of the Year, which is based on yearlong activities and community engagement by the club. Texas A&M University took home second place, and Mississippi State University placed third. Pennsylvania State University won the Scrapbook of the Year contest.

The USPOULTRY Foundation College Student Career Program gives companies an opportunity to interview top students for industry-related jobs and internships in one location, during a three-day period. The program involves students from national universities and has been an important part of the hiring process for many companies for nearly 50 years.

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The USPOULTRY Foundation’s mission is to support 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 Captions:
Guillermo Tellez, University of Arkansas, winner of the 2020 USPOULTRY Foundation College Student Career Program Frank Perdue Scholarship Student of the Year award, along with Jarod Morrison (left), chief financial officer for Farbest Foods and USPOULTRY board member; Hector Gonzalez (second from right), vice president of human resources - poultry for Tyson Foods; and Zach Hurd, Rose Acre Farms, and an IPPE “30 Under 30” Young Leader recipient.

North Carolina State University, winner of the USPOULTRY Foundation College Student Career Program Club of the Year.
Pennsylvania State University, winner of the Scrapbook of the Year.