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ILD-ARTHUR FURST AWARD RECIPIENT IS CHASING TWO DOCTORATES!



Collin R. Elsea

University of San Francisco — May 2000

A dedicated, enthusiastic, and goal-oriented science student, this year's recipient of the GNLD-Arthur Furst Undergraduate Scholarship, Collin R. Elsea, says "Research at USF has inspired me to alter my childhood goal of practicing medicine in favor of pursuing an MD/Ph.D. and becoming involved in biomedical research."

Collin recently received the prestigious award created in 1995 by GNLD to honor Dr. Arthur Furst, Founding Member Emeritus, GNLD Scientific Advisory Board and distinguished Professor Emeritus at the University of San Francisco (USF). The scholarship is presented each year to an undergraduate science major at USF who demonstrates outstanding academic ability and passion for research.

"Collin's goals are the same as ours," says John Miller, Vice President of Science & Technology, during the recent award ceremony on the campus of USF. "He wants to make a serious contribution to our knowledge of health. He wants to make a Positive Difference in People's Lives."

"Collin is a rare undergraduate. In fact I can say, with over 20 years of experience, that Collin is one of the very best undergraduate research students I have had the privilege to mentor," says John G. Cobley,

Ph.D., Collin's Biochemistry Professor. "I believe that he is destined for a life of scientific creativity and accomplishment, most probably in a medical context. From my perspective, he is fully deserving of the Arthur Furst Award."

"I'm always amazed at the advanced work that the undergraduate students are able to do," commented Dr. Furst. "Making progress in the genetic code will hopefully improve the lives of people. GNLD should be congratulated for recognizing this unusual student. By acknowledging this talent, we have encouraged him to continue his work."

This year's recipient of the prestigious GNLD-Arthur Furst Award is yet another reflection of GNLD's commitment to scientific excellence. Collin Elsea is an outstanding example of dedication, determination and lofty goals that we can all be proud to be associated with.

Congratulations, Collin Elsea!

Dr. Arthur Furst



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