Civil Engineering Students Receive Good Roads Scholarships

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From left to right, Kevin Hall; Bill Ramsey, executive director of Arkansas Good Roads Transportation Council; Ross Helliker; Taylor Lindley; Benjamin Whatley; Emmanuel Banks; assistant chief engineer for operations, Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department; Tanner Clement; Beth Allen and Jack Buffington, emeritus professor of civil engineering.

Five seniors from the Department of Civil Engineering have received engineering scholarships from the Arkansas Good Roads Transportation Council for the 2014 academic year.

The Arkansas Good Roads Transportation Council creates awareness of the many important benefits of improving roads, bridges, and other key transportation infrastructure in Arkansas by researching, evaluating and publicizing data focused on transportation issues. The organization grants scholarships of $5000 for outstanding civil engineering students in their junior year or senior year of college. Recipients of the engineering scholarship commit to work in the transportation field in Arkansas for a minimum of one year after graduation.

This year, all five recipients of the scholarship were University of Arkansas students. The recipients were Beth Allen, Tanner Clement, Ross Helliker, Taylor Lindley and Benjamin Whatley. Taylor Lindley is a member of the Honors College.

“This scholarship is one of the many great opportunities available to our civil engineering students,” said Kevin Hall, head of the department of civil engineering. “Our students gain skills which allow them to go directly into the field and work to improve the infrastructure of our state. We are grateful to the Arkansas Good Roads Transportation Council for helping to support their education.”