

HONORS AND AWARDS

Award of the Singular Thomson Learning Scholarship for Technology Innovation

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Two years ago, Dr. Sadanand Singh donated a scholarship for technology innovation to the Council of Academic Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders. The scholarship was designed for students enrolled in doctoral study in communication sciences and disorders to encourage projects that develop technological innovations. The award, which was \$5000, was to be presented to students who were completing degree-related research projects in the discipline. Last year, we awarded the first Singular Thomson Scholarship. This year, I am proud to announce that we have another Singular Thomson scholarship. At this time, I would like to introduce to you Dr. Sadanand Singh, Mr. William Brottmiller and Candice Janco of Singular Thomson Learning.

While Dr. Sadanand Singh and Mr. William Brottmiller are joining me to present the award to this year's recipient, I would like to remind you that Sadanand Singh has served as coordinator of the graduate program and as Chair of the Department of Communication Disorders at San Diego State University. Most of us know him simply as our friend and colleague. We are proud of our long relationship with Singular Thomson Learning and we appreciate their kindness in sponsoring Council activities and especially their leadership in quality publications in our discipline.

The Honors and Awards Committee reviewed the applications and made the following recommendation, which was unanimously passed by the Executive Board. With your permission, I would like to read to you the committee's recommendation:

“The committee recommends Mr. Yaser Natour for the Singular Thomson Learning Scholarship. Mr. Natour is a PhD candidate at the University of Florida. His project is to develop advanced digital imaging software for measuring laryngeal dimension in-vivo. He has completed a pilot project and is beginning his dissertation data collection. His proposal was thorough and his background work was very thorough. We feel that the scholarship money would support his work quite well and the final project might be a marketable idea for Dr. Singh.”

Before presenting the award, I would like to introduce to you, Dr. Christine Sapienza, Associate Professor at the University of Florida. Dr. Sapienza was one of Dr. Natour’s sponsors.

We are pleased to present the 2001 Singular Thomson Learning Scholarship to Yaser Natour.