



## CA Weed Science Society honors top students at symposium

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In January, the California Weed Science Society held its annual symposium in beautiful Santa Barbara. This year's conference theme was California Weed Science: From Restoration to Recreation. The program was chock full of content showcasing the latest research in weed management in many of California's abundant cropping systems as well as aquatics, forestry, range, and natural areas.

This year's student competition featured seven students representing University of California, Davis and California State University, Fresno. In the poster competition, 1<sup>st</sup> Place went to **Katie Driver** from UC Davis for her poster titled "Bearded Sprangletop (*Leptochloa fusca* spp. *fascicularis*) adaptation to flooding in California Rice". 2<sup>nd</sup> Place went to **HannahJoy Kennedy** also from UC Davis for her work on "Weed vs. Crop Differentiation Using Crop Marking Systems". 3<sup>rd</sup> Place went to CSU Fresno student Priyanka Chaudhari for her work titled "The genetic basis of glyphosate resistance in the Central Valley agricultural weed hairy fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis* L.)".



*CWSS Student Poster Winners. Pictured from LF to RT: Katie Driver, HannahJoy Kennedy, Priyanka Chaudhari, and CWSS Director/Student Liaison Scott Oneto. Photo by: Gil Del Rosario*

In the paper/oral competition, 1<sup>st</sup> Place went to **Katie Driver** from UC Davis for her presentation titled "Survey of Bearded Sprangletop Response to Clomazone in California Rice". 2<sup>nd</sup> Place went to **Alex Ceseski** from UC Davis for his presentation titled "Smallflower Umbrella Sedge Cross-Resistance to ALS Inhibitors in the California Rice-Growing Region". 3<sup>rd</sup> Place was given to two deserving students; **HannahJoy Kennedy** of UC Davis for her work titled "Weed vs. Crop Differentiation Using Crop Marking Systems" and Diana Camarena of CSU Fresno for her presentation "Germination Rate and Glyphosate Resistance of Hairy Fleabane (*Erigeron bonariensis*)". The society would like to thank all the students for participating in this year's conference and we look forward to seeing everyone in 2019 in Sacramento.



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