

Department of Biology



American Naturalist Award



Jordan Okie, Ph.D., a former graduate student of Dr. James Brown and The Program in Interdisciplinary Biology and Biomedical Science (PiBBs), recently won the 2013 Student Paper of the Year award from *The American Naturalist*. The paper, entitled “General Models for the Spectra of Surface Area Scaling Strategies of Cells and Organisms: Fractality, Geometric Dissimilitude, and internalization,” was selected from eighty eligible papers submitted by first-authored students in the calendar year. Judith Bronstein, Editor-in-Chief, stated, “In extending biological scaling theory to cells and

organelles, you are working at a new intersection of theoretical and empirical biology that has exciting implications for ecology, evolution and physiology.”

Jordan will receive his award from the American Society of Naturalists at the Society for the Study of Evolution meetings in North Carolina this summer. Currently, he is a postdoc at Arizona State University in Phoenix.

May 2014