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Catherine Meis, a third-year Mat E student minoring in bioengineering from Le Mars, Iowa, has been named a 2015 Goldwater Scholar. The Goldwater Scholar is a prestigious undergraduate scholarship given to students in mathematics, the natural sciences, and engineering. Meis is one of 260 Goldwater recipients for 2015 who were selected on the basis of academic merit from a field of 1,206 nominees from colleges and universities nationwide.

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MSE Highlights

- Tom McGee (center), Professor Emeritus, was inducted into the Order of the Knoll Friday, April 17 in a ceremony at the Memorial Union. Tom received the Order of the Knoll Faculty and Staff Award, which recognizes current or retired Iowa State employees whose involvement with the university and foundation has made a substantial impact on philanthropy at Iowa State.

- Alan Constant, Senior Lecturer, was named a recipient of the Louis Thompson Distinguished Undergraduate Teaching Award for 2015.

- William Lindemann, a Mat E senior from Champaign, Illinois, was named a Spring 2015 Outstanding Senior by the College of Engineering.

- Scott Beckman, Associate Professor, received the 2015 University Honors Committee Award for Excellence in Honors Teaching and Mentoring.
Iver Anderson (right), Ames Lab senior metallurgist and adjunct professor in MSE, was named a 2015 Fellow of The Minerals, Metals, and Materials Society at the annual meeting held March 15-19, 2015.

Martin Thuo, Assistant Professor, wrote a guest blog post for the College of Engineering describing a new partnership between the College of Engineering at Iowa State and the School of Engineering at Kenyatta University in Kenya. Dean Sarah Rajala from ISU and Prof. Olive Mugenda, Kenyatta University President, signed a memorandum of understanding for institutional collaboration between the two schools.