



Press release

## Arroyo-Rivera awarded SPIE Optics and Photonics Education Scholarship

BELLINGHAM, Washington, USA – June 10, 2019 – **Edgar Samuel Arroyo-Rivera** has been awarded a 2019 Optics and Photonics Education Scholarship by SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics, for his potential contributions to the field of optics, photonics or related field.



Arroyo-Rivera is a second-year PhD student in Physics at the University of Rochester (USA), working with Prof. Robert Boyd in the Institute of Optics. “I got involved by studying an MSc in optics with Dr. Sánchez-Mondragón at INAOE (México), on CQED and pursuing an internship with Prof. Eberly where I learned the beauty of entanglement and coherence. After the first year of the PhD program, I had the opportunity to learn about nonlinear optics, particularly, I found very engaging the nonlinear optical response of materials which is often very weak and hard to control both, spatially and temporally,” said Arroyo-Rivera.

The Society awarded \$298,000 in education scholarships to 84 outstanding SPIE student members, based on their potential contribution to optics and photonics, or a related discipline. Award-winning applicants were evaluated, selected and approved by the SPIE Scholarship Committee, Chaired by SPIE volunteer Jeremy Bos.

Through 2018, SPIE has distributed \$6 million dollars in individual scholarships. This ambitious effort reflects the Society's commitment to education and to the next generation of optical scientists and engineers around the world.

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