



Press release

Lipka awarded SPIE Optics and Photonics Education Scholarship

BELLINGHAM, Washington, USA – June 7, 2019 – **Michal Lipka** 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.



Lipka is a master's Physics student at the University of Warsaw (Poland). He works in the Quantum Memories Laboratory on the development and new applications of a multimode quantum memory. Lipka is also working on theoretical research in the Center for Quantum Optical Technologies group led by Prof. Konrad Banaszek, on new realizations of quantum-enhanced communication protocols. "The tremendous possibilities offered by modern optical technology and intriguing discoveries of fundamental research never cease to fascinate me and I strongly believe the SPIE scholarship will enable me to further delve into research and study of optics and photonics both by sustaining my current work and by opening new possibilities for development and networking" says Lipka.

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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