USU Engineering Student Receives $5,000 Women in Technology Scholarship | College of Engineering

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News Release — January 13, 2022 — Utah State University electrical engineering Ph.D. student Marium Rasheed recently received a $5,000 Women in Technology Scholarship from Cadence Design Systems.

Since Cadence began this scholarship program in 2018, Rasheed is the first student from a university in the state of Utah to receive the award.

According to the letter she received informing her of the award, she was selected because of her “impressive academic achievements, thoughtful recommendations, and drive to shape the future of technology.”

Rasheed believes her service and leadership efforts are what set her apart in winning this award and is grateful for the recommendation letters her advisor, Regan Zane, and committee member, Hongjie Wang, wrote for her.

“It is super exciting,” Rasheed said. “It is always good to know that your efforts are being recognized, especially all of the academic efforts that you make while you are a Ph.D. student.”

As a fully-funded Ph.D. student, Rasheed will use the additional scholarship money to expand her research efforts.

“I can use some of that scholarship money to further my research,” she said. “Especially to pursue innovative, scalable, and cost-effective clean energy solutions that help reduce emissions and are also accessible to larger populations of the world.”

Seeing the accomplishments of other women in STEM on social media is what inspired Rasheed to pursue this award and she hopes her recognition will inspire other female students in her field.

“When I see all of these great women engineers and scientists being recognized it inspires me to excel and to strive to do better.

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