

## SMTA Press Release

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### **2024 Stromberg Student Leader Scholarship Recipient Announced**

**Minneapolis, MN** – SMTA is pleased to announce Waad Tarman, Auburn University, has been selected as the recipient of the 2024 JoAnn Stromberg Student Leader Scholarship.

The SMTA Awards Committee selected Waad for her committed leadership in the SMTA. Waad is currently enrolled in the Ph.D. in Industrial and Systems Engineering at Auburn University. She is currently the President of the Auburn University Chapter and has been involved in promoting the mission and values of the SMTA in the academic community.

The \$3000 JoAnn Stromberg Student Leadership Scholarship, given in honor of the nearly 30 years of service dedicated by former Executive Administrator, JoAnn Stromberg, was established following her retirement in 2015. The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage students to take on more leadership opportunities and strengthen the connection between students and the electronics industry.

The Stromberg Scholarship is awarded annually to a student pursuing a degree in electronics and actively involved in the SMTA. The scholarship is intended for the purchase of technical books and research materials, for participation in conferences related to electronics assembly and packaging, and for living expenses if necessary.



The award was presented in person at the 2024 SMTA International Conference, October 20-24, 2024 in Rosemont, IL, USA.

The nomination period will be available early next year for 2025 candidates. Consider making a donation to the scholarship by visiting <https://www.smta.org/scholarship/>.

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