

AAS Boasts Air Force Research Lab Distinguished Graduate

ROME, N.Y. – In a testament to the opportunities, talent, and excellence found within Arnold Air Society, Cadet Benjamin Yunker was recognized as the Air Force Research Lab Distinguished Graduate this year.

The Airlift/Tanker Association has partnered with the Arnold Air Society (AAS), Silver Wings (SW), and the Air Force Research Lab at Rome New York on a new initiative sponsoring a summer internship at Rome Labs.¹

Heather Haphey, also a cadet, was instrumental in opening the doors to this internship. In her words, “The contributions of AAS and SW to the internship were a tremendous benefit and I’m really excited to see how this collaboration can help both the internship and AAS/SW.” The internships,

scholarships, and other opportunities established by EMC are wonderful experiences that build future Air Force leaders.

Selection for this prestigious internship was highly competitive and required an established track record of superior academic achievement in scientific, technical, engineering or mathematics disciplines. Candidates submitted transcripts, provided statements explaining their reasons for seeking the internship, and were required to include two letters for recommendation.¹

Selected this year was Cadet Yunker is a 27 year old husband and father who supports his family while in his fifth year of Computer Science at the University of Utah. He has held the position of National

Webmaster within AAS and remains active in his detachment and the society.¹

In a letter to Cadet Yunker, ATA Chairman General Lichte congratulated him on his selection and challenged him to make the very most of this internship by leveraging the many experiences offered.¹

AAS members interested in this opportunity, and many others, may visit www.aas-sw.org/?nd=grants-interns to learn more and apply!

¹ Denotes excerpts from an ATA article on the same topic.

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