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NABE ANNOUNCES 2021 DIVERSITY SCHOLARS

Twenty Early-Career Economists and Economics Students Will Receive Complimentary NABE Membership and Attendance at Four Annual NABE Conferences

The NABE Foundation, the charitable arm of the **National Association for Business Economics (NABE)**, and the **NABE Diversity/Inclusion Committee** have announced the winners of the **2021 NABE Diversity Scholarships**. The scholarships, which will be awarded annually to 20 early-career economists and economics students from underrepresented groups, is a continuing effort to expand opportunities for economics students and early-career economists from diverse backgrounds.

“We are honored to be able to contribute to the development of so many gifted young people as they embark on their careers in business and economics,” said ***NABE Foundation Chair LaVaughn M. Henry, CBE, PhD.*** “*The Foundation* has committed to annually support 20 of these highly qualified young economists with admission to the NABE Economic Policy Conference, Economic Measurement Seminar, Annual Meeting, and the NABE Tech Economics Conference. The recipients will also receive a complimentary NABE membership, and all of its benefits, including free attendance to an extensive array of NABE webinars with leading business economists and scholars. We fully expect great things to come from the 2021 class of NABE Diversity Scholars, and NABE is proud to have a hand in their future success.”

The NABE Diversity Scholars Class of 2021 are: Safia Abdirizak (Bureau of Labor Statistics); **Philip Abraham** (Postal Regulatory Commission); **Osman Alhassan** (Bureau of Labor Statistics); **Marcelo Barroso** (Aguilas); **Antar Yasser Diallo** (Boston College); **Hidee El-Rai** (University of Maryland); **Mutiu Olawunmi Fakorede** (University of San Francisco); **Alex Gu** (University of Connecticut); **Danielle Kavanagh-Smith** (The New School for Social Research); **Doreen Nassali** (University of Maryland); **Yigit Okar** (University of Washington);

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Amit Patel (Southeast Toyota Finance); **Urbashee Paul** (Northeastern University); **Marcus Polite** (Bureau of Labor Statistics); **Suhaas Ramani** (The George Washington University); **Guowang Rao, CBE** (State of Utah); **Saannidhya Rawat, CBE** (Truist Financial Corporation); **Edgar Reyes** (The University of Texas at Arlington); **Esteban Pabon Sainz** (Summit Consulting LLC); and **Pallavi Aytha Swathi** (University of San Francisco).

For additional information, and to see photos of the 2021 NABE Diversity Scholars, visit: https://www.nabe.com/NABE/NABE_Foundation/2021_NABE_Diversity_Scholars%20.aspx

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