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BLOOMINGTON, Ill.— Illinois Wesleyan University [chemistry](#) major Kyle Nottingham '16 has been named a 2016 Collegiate Scholar by the Illinois Heartland Section of the American Chemical Society (ACS).

As part of the world's largest scientific society, the Illinois Heartland ACS membership includes 240 chemists, chemical engineers and educators in an 11-county area. The group provides science education opportunities through summer internships, competitions and other activities.

A native of Pleasant Prairie, Wis., Nottingham has been conducting research in the lab of Ram Mohan, the Wendell and Loretta Hess Professor of Chemistry, for the past two years. "As a result of my time in Dr. Mohan's lab, I have developed a new appreciation for green chemistry principles," Nottingham said. "Dr. Mohan's group is modeled after Ph.D. groups and as a result, we have weekly group meetings where we solve challenging spectroscopy problems, determine products of complex synthetic pathways, and present articles from current literature. The challenging problem sets push my boundaries of thinking."

This past summer Nottingham interned at AbbVie, the global, research-based biopharmaceutical company. During his internship Nottingham investigated the development of an accelerated stability study protocol for solid drug dosage forms. He also received an ACS Division of Organic Chemistry Travel Award to present research findings at the ACS national meeting in August 2015.

Nottingham is also the recipient of Illinois Wesleyan's Student Leadership Distinguished Service Award for Intellectual Leadership. With a GPA of 3.64, Nottingham has been named to the Dean's List and received the chemistry department's James G. Theivagt Scholarship for Research Involvement in Chemistry.

On campus he was an organic chemistry tutor and lab teaching assistant, a member of Illinois Wesleyan's ACS student affiliate chapter, a participant in Sheridan Elementary School's Lunch Buddies program, and a member of the cross country and track and field teams. After graduation from IWU Nottingham will enter a Ph.D. program in organic chemistry.



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