

PURDUE FOOD SCIENCE

# GRADUATE STUDENT

NEWSLETTER • Fall 2025

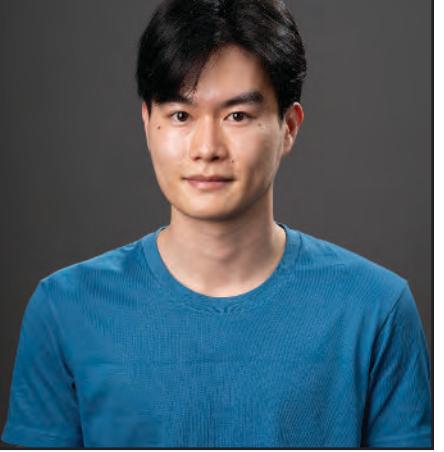
---



## NEW FALL 2025 FOOD SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENTS



**Amanda Dziedzic, MS**  
Dr. Deering/H. Simsek's Lab



**Isaya Kijpatanasilp, PhD**  
Dr. Mishra's Lab



**Donglu Li, PhD**  
Dr. Wang's Lab



**Hailey Spray, PhD**  
Dr. Oliver's Lab



**Sara Thomason, MS**  
Dr. Oh's Lab



**Rong Yang, MS**  
Dr. Liceaga's Lab



**Zheng Zong, MS**  
Dr. Chen's Lab

## GRADUATE STUDENTS - Graduated Fall 2025



**Connor Horn PhD**  
Dr. Oliver's Lab



**Sarah Martin MS**  
Dr. Reddivari's Lab



**Halak Mehta PhD**  
Dr. Mishra's Lab



**Keyshla Narvaez**  
Davila MS  
Dr. Applegate's Lab



**Suyapa Rojas Oropel**  
MS  
Dr. Feng's Lab



**Dalne Sinclair Wood**  
MS  
Dr. Huang's Lab

## GRADUATE STUDENTS - PASSED PRELIMINARY EXAMS



**Denisse Gutierrez**  
Dr. Lindemann's Lab



**Amandeep Singh**  
Dr. Mishra's Lab

Our department hosted an Etiquette Dinner, a refined evening of dining and learning designed to help students build confidence in formal and professional settings. Participants enjoyed a multi-course meal while receiving guided instruction on dining etiquette, conversation skills, and professional presence.

A special thank you to Veronica Rahim from the Center for Career Opportunities (CCO) for leading the evening's festivities and sharing practical insights that will help our students make a great impression.



'Tis the season for fresh, Indiana grown apples! Members of our department had an a-PEEL-ing time last week when we gathered to enjoy delicious apples from Meigs Farm.



Happy Halloween from Purdue Food Science! Our department gathered in the spirit of spooky season for our fall networking event, complete with a taco bar, pumpkin carving competition, and costume contest. Congratulations to the winners!

Costume contest winner: Dr. Steve Lindemann as "Mr. Clean"  
Pumpkin carving winner: Deering lab



# AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

Purdue Food Science proudly welcomed our newest graduate students at a special event with faculty and staff. It was a great opportunity to make connections, share excitement, and kick off the year together.



Congratulations to MS candidate Sarah Martin for receiving the B.J. Liska Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award



Congratulations to Donglu Li who received the Ross Fellowship this semester! Donglu is a PhD student in Weicang Wang's laboratory. Way to go!

## 2025-2026 FSGSA Officer Board!

**President- Felicitas Tuku Ewunsoh**

**Vice President- Sajal Bhattarai**

**Treasurer- Rahmi Azzahra**

**Secretary- Paola Andino**

**Social Chair- Narakorn Tanasupawimon**

**FSGSA Senate Representative- Lauren Yepes**

**Fernandez**

**Advisor-Hanyu Chen**

**Be on the lookout for FSGSA events.**



Food Science

FEEDING THE WORLD.

### PURDUE FOOD SCIENCE

745 Agriculture Mall Dr.

West Lafayette, IN 47907

(765) 494-8258

