



**TRI BETA** is the national honor society for students who major in biology. The society has a three-part mission: stimulation of scholarship, dissemination of scientific knowledge, and promotion of biological research. It is primarily designed for undergraduates, with the goal of recognizing students with outstanding scholarly achievement in the life sciences and actively promoting undergraduate participation in research.

The University of Vermont's Upsilon Tau Chapter of Tri Beta has recently celebrated its fifth year of inductions! Before introducing our new members to you and bidding farewell to our graduating seniors, we would like to recognize one of our own. Chris Graves is one of our graduating seniors, and he has demonstrated leadership as well as continuous active participation in our meetings and events which we believe make him worthy of this honor.



My name is Chris Graves. I'm finishing my final year here at UVM as a Biological Science Major. I've been actively involved in several research projects, including my honor's thesis work in the lab of Dr. Sara Helms Cahan, focusing on an intergenerational effect on offspring development in harvester ants. I received funding for this work from Tri-Beta and Helix and presented my results at several conferences including the Tri-Beta regional convention. In graduate school, I plan on using experimental and computational methods to understand the evolution of complexity.

**PROMOTED MEMBERS:** Jessica McCarthy, Brittany O'Neil

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:** Elizabeth Alnemy, Nick Balfour, Laura Ducharme, Luke Neill, Kayleigh Paladino, Gwen Williams

**NEW REGULAR MEMBERS:** Katherine Chadhurijian, Torin Evans, Raymond Lee, Jessica Lowe, Karina Marshall-Bowman, Adeline Mullin, Patrick Pearson, Sarah Posillico, Meredith Sooy