

Andrew McGowan, Agronomy IGERT student attended the Growing the Bioeconomy: Social, Environmental and Economic Implications from October 2-5, 2012 in Banff, Alberta, Canada and won first place in the student oral presentation.

Conference overview: The expected outcome is a shared understanding of the issues of growing the bioeconomy, and shared viewpoints of natural and social scientists, economists and environmentalists.

**Growing the Bioeconomy** will bring together people from universities, industry, research institutes, and government, across North America and Europe to discuss the technical advances, the economic viability, and the environmental sustainability of the bioeconomy sector over the next decade, and beyond.

Conference URL: <http://www.ales.ualberta.ca/Bioeconomy/Overview.aspx>

Student Competition URL:

<http://www.ales.ualberta.ca/Bioeconomy/Program/StudentCompetitionWorkshop.aspx>

