



**2006 IOTA SIGMA PI ANNA LOUISE HOFFMAN AWARD FOR
OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN GRADUATE RESEARCH**

Andisheh Abedini, State University of New York at Stony Brook

Andisheh's research has expanded our understanding of various neurological diseases (Parkinson's and Alzheimer's) and other diseases such as type 2 diabetes. Her research will impact the therapeutic methods used in the treatment of these diseases. She is a phenomenal woman and scientist! She contributes not only her to science, but also to her community. She is a bright experimentalist who has the ability to communicate her ideas and findings in a manner that is understandable to others outside of her field. Finally, the story her research adviser, Professor Daniel Raleigh, relayed about Ms. Abedini's response to her friend's tragic car accident speaks volumes to her loyalty and compassion - admirable traits that are often not observed these days.