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Quick Facts

- Winthrop tennis player Steven Patrick and the other recipient, Longwood University women's soccer player Olivia Colella, will receive their awards of \$2,000 each on June 2 to use for their respective graduate studies.
- Patrick graduated with a 3.960 GPA in biology and plans to attend medical school.



President Dan Mahony congratulates Steven Patrick at graduation.

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA - Winthrop University men's tennis player **Steven Patrick** has been awarded one of the two **Bob McCloskey Insurance Big South Conference Graduate Fellowships** that recognizes academic excellence and an intent to pursue postgraduate studies following graduation.

Patrick and the other recipient, Longwood University women's soccer player **Olivia Colella**, will receive their awards of \$2,000 each on June 2 to use for their respective graduate studies. The presentation is part of the **Big South Conference's annual Spring Awards Dinner and Hall of Fame Banquet** in Hilton Head, South Carolina.

Bob McCloskey Insurance, a Big South corporate partner,

established the award in 2005.

Patrick of Knoxville, Tennessee, completed his fourth season this spring as a member of the Eagles' tennis team. He won five singles matches, all at the No. 4 flight, and posted a 12-11 record with Tremayne Mitchell at No. 1 doubles to earn Second-Team All-Conference honors. He was part of the Eagles' Big South Championship squad in 2014 and 2015 and had served as a co-captain of the team since his first year.

Patrick graduated with a 3.960 GPA in biology and plans to attend medical school.

A three-time Big South Presidential Honor Roll member and three-time ITA Scholar-Athlete, Patrick was co-president of **Winthrop's Student-Athlete Advisory Council** this past spring. He spent time in the community with the local Boys & Girls Club, the Levine Children's Hospital in Charlotte and as a volunteer with various youth tennis clinics.

Nominations for the graduate fellowship are made by the faculty athletics representative or the chief academic officer at a **Big South** member institution, and are limited to one male and one female at each school.

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