

Graduate Recruiting and Development (GRAD) Program Class of 2010-2011

Adam Chyle, North Dakota State University

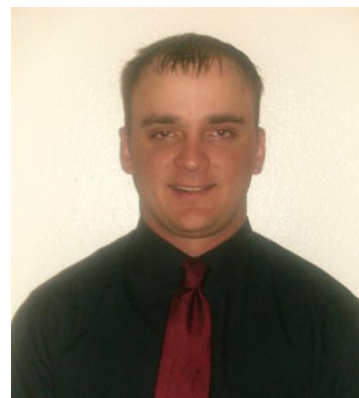
Chyle is pursuing a Master of Science in crop and weed sciences at North Dakota State University (NDSU). He earned a Bachelor of Science in business administration from Mayville State University and a Bachelor of Science in crop and weed sciences from NDSU. His thesis project involves work on a spring wheat program with several registered Bayer CropScience products, as well as an experimental fungicide.



“During this project I hope to gain valuable knowledge in the classroom and also build relationships with Bayer CropScience employees,” said Chyle. “I feel this experience will benefit both Bayer CropScience and me by providing the opportunity to further my education, learn how Bayer CropScience operates as a company and provide Bayer CropScience with valuable information that can be used in the future.”

Clay Starkey, University of Arkansas

A native of Illinois, Starkey earned a Bachelor of Science in agriculture business economics with a minor in plant and soil sciences from Southern Illinois University in May 2009. His GRAD research project, Control of Herbicide Resistant Weeds using Ignite and HPPD Herbicides, involves studying the evolutionary dynamics of barnyardgrass populations. The expected long-term benefit is to gain an understanding of how resistance develops and spreads and use this information to develop weed management plans to extend the effective life of products like Ignite herbicide.



“The GRAD program is providing me valuable field experience and learning opportunities,” said Starkey. “Arkansas’s wide variety of herbicide resistant weeds will provide for the best research for controlling these resistant biotypes with Bayer herbicides. I’m looking forward to the work with HPPD chemistries and Ignite.”