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Washington, D.C. – The Community Banking Research Conference planning committee has selected three graduate students to serve as the 2026 Community Banking Research Conference Emerging Scholars.

This year's scholars are:

- Aidan Hathaway, University of Alabama
- Jeffrey Jou, University of Pennsylvania
- Asli Uyanik, Rice University

The annual Community Banking Research Conference, co-sponsored by the Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS), the Federal Reserve System, and the FDIC, will be held at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis on Oct. 6 -Oct. 7. Each year, the planning committee identifies three Ph.D. students who are pursuing a dissertation on a banking-related topic for the Emerging Scholars Program. The program was first introduced in 2015.

CSBS sponsors the scholars' attendance at the conference as honorees. While there, the scholars may share their research and interact with researchers, community bankers, and state and federal bank supervisors.

For more information about the Community Banking Research Conference, visit communitybanking.org.

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