ROBERT RODRIGUEZ DONOSO (LATINO/A & LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES MAJOR, ART HISTORY & VISUAL ARTS MINOR) came to Oxy a bit surprised by a lack of diversity which was promised by the school. Thanks
to some amazing mentors amongst the students
and faculty of color, he has since come a long way in understanding systems of racism and oppression. He first began to serve the community as a sophomore by working closely with the Occidental Sexual Assault Coalition, in order to fight for better policies to protect survivors. As a Junior and Senior, he has been an advocate for students of color and queer students through his organizing with the Coalition at Oxy for Diversity and Equity (CODE). As president of La Raza Coalition, Bobby has created a more inclusive campus for Latin@ students. As a project manager for the Center for Gender Equity, Bobby has also made strides for a community more inclusive of queer students and women. He is happy to leave Oxy a better place than he found it, and is very excited to see all the future progress made by CODE activists.

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About the Awardees
GRACE BENDER (BIOLOGY MAJOR, UEP MINOR)