College of Sciences
2019 Awards Ceremony
Tuesday, April 30, 2019
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Mills Godwin
Life Sciences Building, Room 102
Event Program

Welcome .................. Gail Dodge, Dean - College of Sciences

– Faculty/Staff Awards –

Cheng Fund for Innovative Research
Piotr Kraj, Department of Biological Sciences

Distinguished Research Award
Michael Nelson, Department of Computer Science

Early Career Distinguished Research Award
Kristin Heron, Department of Psychology

Distinguished Teaching Award - Adjunct Faculty
Shanda Jenkins, Department of Psychology

Distinguished Teaching Award - Nontenured Faculty
Robert Strozak, Mathematics & Statistics

Distinguished Teaching Award - Tenure Track Faculty
Balsa Terzic, Department of Physics

Distinguished Teaching Award – Tenured Faculty
Konstantin Cigularov, Department of Psychology

Outstanding Advisor of the Year
Janet Brunelle, Department of Computer Science

Outstanding Undergraduate Research Mentor of the Year
Michelle Kelley, Department of Psychology
Outstanding M.S. Thesis Award
John Berlin, Department of Computer Science

Lee Entsminger Outstanding Ph.D. Dissertation Award
Dante Myers, Department of Psychology

Outstanding Graduate Student Poster Presentation Award
Courtney Klepac, Department of Biological Sciences
Joedian Morris, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry
Shelby Long, Department of Psychology

Outstanding Staff Member of the Year
Ariel Sturtevant, Department of Computer Science

Above and Beyond Faculty Award
Sponsored by the College of Sciences Advisory Board
Presented by Lynn Clements

--- Department Awards ---

Biological Sciences - Chris Osgood, Chair

Award for Graduate Student Community Engagement/Service
Alexis White

Award for Undergraduate Community Engagement/Service
Lauren Hyde

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award
Shovan Dutta

Outstanding Undergraduate Research Award
Michelle Bershers

Outstanding Staff Member of the Year Award
Mary Hayward
Paul Kirk Student Wetland Research Award Recipients for 2019

Nick Flanders, Department of Biological Sciences
Russell Winter, Department of Biological Sciences
Spencer Schubert, Department of Biological Sciences
Tyler Legg, Department of Ocean, Earth, and Atmospheric Sciences

Chemistry & Biochemistry - John Cooper, Chair

Outstanding Student Award for Biochemistry Major
Chenxi Luo
Nathan Jentink

Outstanding Student Award for Chemistry Major
Elliott Johnson

Provost's Award for Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher
Jenna Garcia

Computer Science - Ravi Mukkamala, Chair

Anne Everett Scholarship for Outstanding Achievement
Kira DeGraw

Outstanding Graduate Researcher in Computer Science (Fall)
Christos Tsolakis

Outstanding Graduate Researcher in Computer Science (Spring)
Juliette Pardue

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant in Computer Science (Fall)
Varsha Ravi
Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant in Computer Science (Spring)
Ioannis Sakiotis

Outstanding Undergraduate in Computer Science (Fall)
Katherine Letchworth

Outstanding Undergraduate in Computer Science (Spring)
Lalita Sharkey

Travis Priest Family Endowment Scholarship Recipient (Fall 2018)
Tyler Marshall

Travis Priest Family Endowment Scholarship Recipient (Spring 2019)
Khang M Nguyen

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Mathematics & Statistics - Hideaki Kaneko, Chair

Philip R. Wohl Memorial Scholarship
Mohammed Alqawba

Top Undergraduate Senior Student in Actuarial Mathematics
Elizabeth Trahadias

Top Undergraduate Senior Student in Applied Mathematics
Nicole Brailer

Top Undergraduate Senior Student in Mathematics for Secondary School Teachers
Isabelle Ballesteros

Top Undergraduate Senior Student in Statistics
James Kelvington
Ocean, Earth & Atmospheric Sciences - Fred Dobbs, Chair

Catherine M. Hillegass Research Award, Ocean Sciences
Alfonso Macias-Tapia, PhD, Oceanography (M. Mulholland, advisor)

Catherine M. Hillegass Research Award, Earth Sciences
James Wallace, MS, Ocean & Earth Sciences (N. Noffke, advisor)

Jacques S. Zaneveld Endowed Scholarship
Sveinn Einarsson, MS, Ocean & Earth Sciences (P.D. Chappell, advisor)

Lee Entsminger Scholarship for Coastal Geology
Kallie Brown, MS, Ocean & Earth Sciences (R. Hale, advisor)

Neil and Susan Kelley Endowed Scholarship Fund
Kallie Brown, MS, Ocean & Earth Sciences (R. Hale, advisor)

Physics - Charles Hyde, Chair

Clifford L. and Lillian R. Adams Scholarship (2019)
Gregory Blume
Lucas Tracy

Outstanding Physics Graduate Teaching Assistants (2018-2019)
Victoria Lagerquist
Josh Frechem

Outstanding Senior Award in Physics (2019)
Corey Sargent
Alan Chaiken Undergraduate Honors Thesis Award
Hannah C. Hamrick

Elizabeth Guy Outstanding Academic Award
Samantha Mundt

Elizabeth Guy Outstanding Service Award
Nicollette Dwyer

Outstanding Psychology Graduate Student Instructor of Record
Amy Stamates

Outstanding Psychology Graduate Student Teaching Assistant
James Unverricht

Outstanding Psychology Graduate Student Service Award
Sarah Ehlke

Closing Remarks ......................... Gail Dodge, Dean

— Reception —
The 2019 College of Sciences Award Ceremony recognizes and honors the achievements of the faculty & students from the College

Congratulations!

We also thank the family members of our students, and our donors for supporting our students and the College

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