SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY

Friday, May 16, 2014
4:30 P.M.
McAlister Auditorium, Tulane University

Welcome
James M. MacLaren, Dean of Newcomb-Tulane College

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THE A.B. FREEMAN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

The BSM Scholastic Achievement Award  
HANNAH BETH HAUSMANN

Established in 1997, this award recognizes excellence in academics, and is presented to the graduate of the Bachelor of Science in Management program with the highest cumulative GPA.

The Dean’s Service Award  
BENJAMIN BRIGGS BARRIOS

Established in 1991, this award recognizes graduating students who have, in the opinion of the administrative staff and the dean, added dimension to the School through outstanding contributions of time and effort.

The Evelyn and William Burkenroad Award  
EVAN JAMES GOLDEN
STEPHEN JOHANN KASPAR LEE

Established in 1982, the Evelyn and William Burkenroad Award recognizes the graduating students in the Bachelor of Science in Management program who have an outstanding record of scholarship and personal integrity, and whose activities have contributed to the professional, social, and/or academic quality of the business program. The recipients are chosen by the senior class.

The Tulane Association of Business Alumni Award  
ANNIE MORGAN BINDLER

Established to recognize an outstanding graduate of the BSM program, this award is presented each year to the graduating senior who ranks in the top 10 percent of his or her class and, in the opinion of the administration and the officers of the Tulane Association of Business Alumni, has displayed exceptional intellectual ability, leadership, self-motivation, and a sense of responsibility to peers, the school, and the community.
The Tulane Association of Business Alumni Community Service Award

ELIZABETH CHERRICK
MAX ALEXANDER CRON
LAURA STEPHANIE FROMM
XURAN NIE¹
LAURA ROSE ELIZABETH STOKES
BENJAMIN MICHAEL WARSHAW
BECKY CARYN WONG

The Levy-Rosenblum Institute for Entrepreneurship established this award in 1993 which, in partnership with the Tulane Association of Business Alumni, recognizes those graduates who, under the auspices of the Institute and mentored by TABA members, have completed at least twenty-five hours of pro bono service with a disadvantaged business or a not-for-profit organization in the New Orleans area.

THE SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

The American Institute of Architects Certificate
JAMES “BEAU” FREDERICK LACROIX

Beau has demonstrated a quiet, yet compelling form of leadership by example, earning him the respect of fellow students and faculty alike. He has been on the Dean’s List every year and was the recipient of the Distinguished Scholar Scholarship. Two projects that Beau worked on as a student were recently recognized by the American Institute of Architects of New Orleans: URBANDbuild08 received the Honor Award for Master Planning Urban Design, and the Magellan Community Center, sponsored by Tulane City Center, received the Merit Award in Architecture.

The American Institute of Architects Medal and Certificate of Merit
KYLE CHRISTOPHER RYAN

Kyle has the highest GPA of his graduating class. While his academic achievements are impressive, he has also distinguished himself as a scholar, having received several research and travel grants including the David Cameron Taylor Enrichment Grant and the John William Lawrence Travel Fellowship. Two projects that Kyle worked on as a student were recently recognized by the American Institute of Architects of New Orleans: URBANDbuild08 received the Honor Award for Master Planning Urban Design, and the Magellan Community Center, sponsored by Tulane City Center, received the Merit Award in Architecture.
# The Program in African and African Diaspora Studies

## The Outstanding Student in African and African Diaspora Studies Prize

**MWENDE KALONDU KATWIWA**

Mwende has distinguished herself in her course work, study abroad, and cocurricular activities in both African Studies and African-American studies, with equal excellence and commitment in social sciences, humanities, and her own creative performance as a spoken word artist. She has furthermore provided endless energy, time, and vision to numerous campus events related to the experience of people of African descent in New Orleans and around the world.

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# The Department of Anthropology

## The Arden R. King Award for Excellence in Anthropology

**HILLARY RAY JOHNSON**

Hillary has pursued a major in anthropology and fulfilled the core requirements for medical school. She has excelled in all the courses she has taken in anthropology. She wrote a fascinating honors thesis on the question of what makes acupuncture efficacious in the eyes of American patients, focusing on a dispute that has arisen between the proponents of two distinct acupuncture approaches. She has demonstrated on multiple occasions her critical engagement, her creativity, and her dedication to anthropology and medicine.

## The Elizabeth Watts Award for Excellence in Physical Anthropology

**HALEY MELINDA BLOCK**

Haley's anthropology GPA is 3.959, and she has excelled in all courses she has taken in physical (biological) anthropology. She did outstanding work in her classes, despite being frequently called out of class to respond to emergencies in her role as an EMT basic for Tulane Emergency Medical Services over the past three years.

## The Robert Wauchope Award for Excellence in Anthropology

**BENJAMIN GARRETT DAVIS**

Ben has pursued a major in anthropology and a minor in geology. He has excelled in his archaeology and geology coursework. He has also participated in archaeological fieldwork in Mississippi, and has written an honors thesis on chipped stone tools and settlement mobility by Native Americans in Louisiana from the end of the last Ice Age through more recent periods of prehistory. Ben has a very bright future in the study of the past.
The Newcomb Department of Art

The Alberta “Rusty” Collier Award for Outstanding Studio Art Major in 2-Dimensional Work

MARJORIE SUEZANNE McWILLIAMS

Marjorie has developed two impressive bodies of work over the course of this school year, both advancing her technical abilities and successfully integrating substantive research into art theory. She has demonstrated great dedication to her growth as a student, photographer, and installation-based artist.

The Edmond Lester Lacoste III Memorial Award in Painting

CAROLINE MASUE MUNEOKA

Committed to pushing the limits of her painting practice, Caroline has excelled in intermediate and advanced painting courses. Bold in the studio, she routinely experiments with a variety of materials and methods and builds upon newfound successes. No stranger to risks, Caroline manages to arrive at complex and diverse imagery while still offering that which is recognizably her own.

The Henry Stern Prize for the Best Paper in Art History

GABRIELLE SIERRA STEWART

Gabrielle’s paper, “Willem de Kooning Decoded: Contextualizing Late Style,” presents a sophisticated analysis of Willem de Kooning’s late paintings. Her paper is an original contribution to the field that assists our understanding of de Kooning’s late practice and the work he produced during his senior years. She treats his illness and decline with respect, and this aspect of her paper is especially sensitive and admirable.

Outstanding Art History Major Award

KIRA SCOTT SULLIVAN

Kira’s truly substantive engagement with the course material throughout the semester was very impressive. She not only consistently offered insightful comments about the images or texts under discussion, but also chose a particularly challenging topic for her final research paper, not despite but because of its level of difficulty. The conceptual ambition of her final project was wonderful, and Kira’s dedication to her subject was a real pleasure to behold.

The Sandra “Sandy” Chism Memorial Award in Painting

ELIZABETH CLAIRE FEROZE

Liz has modeled diligence and persistence in Studio Art courses since her freshman year. Through such dedication, she has greatly matured in her ability to arrive at sophisticated imagery through a variety of methods, materials, and processes. Her works, a combination of both painting and printmaking, have pushed her vision to new realms. Her instructors look forward to witnessing what such an extensive visual vocabulary yields throughout her promising future.
The Program in Asian Studies

The Japan-Tulane Friendship Award

CECILIA JAYNE BILLHEIMER

This award is given to Cecilia for her exceptional achievement in the study of Japan and Japanese language.

The Department of Classical Studies

The Classical Studies Prize

ARIELLE JENNIFER SUSKIN

Arielle receives the Classical Studies Prize for her excellence both in the study of Greek and Latin, and also for her insightful and meticulous work in courses on Greco-Roman antiquity.

The George H. Terriberry Prize

JORDAN REINHOLD GARCIA GONZALEZ

Jordan has focused primarily on ancient history in his classical studies major. In his honors thesis, “Dissent in the Roman Empire,” Jordan examines the ethical and political issues surrounding the proper behavior of Roman senators under autocratic emperors. He focuses on the figure of Thrasea Paetus, a Stoic senator who became a central figure in the Roman debate about the role of free speech in the empire after being put to death by the emperor Nero.

The Judah Touro Medal

JULIA EVELYN JUDGE

The Judah Touro Medal, established in 1856, is awarded for excellence in ancient history, Greek, Hebrew, or Latin. Julia wins this prize – the oldest at Tulane – both for her excellence in Greek and Latin, and for her excellent honors thesis on ancient graffiti and its role in defining public and private space in the Roman world. She makes a persuasive argument for the value of graffiti in identifying public versus private through her meticulous study of Insula of the Menander at Pompeii.

The Department of Communication

The Ashton Phelps Sr. Memorial Award

CRAIG ANDREW HENRY

Drew is hard-working, responsible, creative, unassuming, and intelligent, and was always at the top of his classes. While quiet and reserved, Drew could nonetheless be counted upon to make thoughtful contributions that enriched class discussions. He is a scholar — a solid researcher and writer. For many in the department, working with Drew has been a very rewarding experience.
The Glendy Burke Medal in Communication

CAMERON ALEXANDRA DURHAM CONKLIN

Cameron impressed faculty members, consistently pursuing advanced-level courses in a wide variety of subjects. She was a fellow of the Center for Engaged Learning and Teaching (CELT) summer research program, where she designed her own project around mapping informational networks for nonprofits active in Lower Ninth Ward recovery. Beyond scholastic endeavors, Cameron served as the editor-in-chief of *The Charrette*, the student publication of the Tulane School of Architecture, and as a peer advisor for the Academic Advising Center.

The Department of Economics

The J. Ernest Tanner Award for Excellence in Economics

MALLORY LORRAINE AVERY

This award is given to the student with the highest GPA among all graduating economics majors. Mallory has an outstanding record at Tulane, and has earned an overall GPA of 3.975. She also wrote an original honors thesis that used laboratory and field experiments to examine why people contribute to public goods such as charities, focusing especially on the role of “fear” in motivating contributions.

The Mathematical Economics Award

RACHEL D. RYLEY

The Mathematical Economics Award is given to the student with the highest GPA among all graduating economics majors, with also a significant concentration in mathematics. Rachel has an outstanding record at Tulane, and has earned an overall GPA of 3.919, combining a major in economics with a major in mathematics. She also wrote an original honors thesis on the impact of legalizing same-sex marriage on Social Security.

The Newcomb College Award in Economics

RACHEL D. RYLEY

This award is given to the outstanding female economics major. In addition to her 3.919 overall GPA, combining an economics major with a mathematics major, Rachel participated in the Tulane Research Experience for Undergraduates, which is a summer research program for undergraduates in the Department of Economics.

The Paul Tulane College Award in Economics

BLAKE ROBERT HOLBROOK NICHOLAS CLAYTON SUELLENTROP

The Paul Tulane College Award in Economics is given to the outstanding male economics major. The award is shared by Blake Holbrook and Nicholas Suellentrop. Blake has earned an overall GPA of 3.882 in his years at Tulane. Nicholas has earned an overall GPA of 3.878, combining a major in economics with a major in political science and international relations.
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<td><strong>SARAH GRACE MONSEN</strong></td>
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<td>Sarah has been an invaluable driving force in the Tulane literary community, bringing fresh energy and enthusiasm to the 1718 Reading Series at a crucial time in its history.</td>
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<td>The Class of 1903 Shakespeare Prize for Best Shakespearean Essay by a Woman</td>
<td><strong>LUCY KATHERINE STRATTON</strong></td>
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<td>Lucy has been selected to receive this award in recognition of her essay on <em>The Merchant of Venice</em>, “Portia: The Shakespearean Ungenue.”</td>
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<td>The Dale Edmonds Prize for Best Short Story Written by an Undergraduate</td>
<td><strong>MARIE-CLAIRE SEROU</strong></td>
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<td>Marie-Claire is an original prose stylist whose work embraces the absurd while looking for a way out of absurdity – very funny but also very sad, unmistakably hers.</td>
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<td>The Donald Pizer Award in American Literature</td>
<td><strong>DAVID LELAND BARENHOLTZ</strong></td>
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<td>David has been chosen to receive the Pizer Award in special recognition of his essay entitled “Phantoms of the Mind: The Role of Indians in Washington Irving’s <em>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</em> and <em>Rip Van Winkle.</em>”</td>
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<td>The Henry Clay Stier Award in English</td>
<td><strong>MEGAN ASHLEY ALFONSO</strong></td>
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<td>Megan achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.973, the highest among English majors.</td>
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<td>Jamie is awarded this prize in recognition of her four years of excellence, embodied by maintaining the highest combination of cumulative and major GPA in this year’s graduating class.</td>
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<td>The Senior Achievement and Studio in the Woods Prize</td>
<td><strong>CONNOR BROOKS CRAWFORD</strong></td>
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<td>Connor’s fiction is marked by its descriptive flair, its sense of humor, its crisp dialogue, and its knack of characterization. He tells a good story and never writes a dull sentence.</td>
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<td><strong>LAURA ELIZABETH DECUIR</strong></td>
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<td>Laura has been chosen to receive this award in recognition of her senior honors thesis entitled “Setting the Stage for Women in Performance: A Look at Mrs. Mary Knight.”</td>
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<td>The Alcée Fortier Memorial Prize</td>
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<td>Joanna is an exceptionally engaged student of French who has excelled in all the courses she has taken in the department. We are pleased to recognize her accomplishments by awarding her the Alcée Fortier Memorial Prize, named in honor of one of Tulane's most illustrious language professors.</td>
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<td>Minzala is described by her professors as mindful, creative, and intellectually generous. Her written French is gorgeous, and as the author of an exceptionally fine essay on Congolese poet Tchicaya U Tam'si, she is a most deserving recipient of this award.</td>
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<td>In recognition of Melissa's superb command of the French language as well as her outstanding research paper for the French Short Story, entitled “L'antiféminisme dans La Belle et la bête,” we are pleased to present her with this award.</td>
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<td>The French Government Prize honors students who have demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the study of French and exceptional proficiency in the language. This year’s awardees have been a wonderful presence in the department, and we are pleased to recognize their talent and their accomplishments.</td>
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<td>The Jonathan Lorino Memorial Prize</td>
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<td>Patrick has the highest GPA in French in 2014. Through his pursuit of excellence, his enthusiasm, and his dedication to French language and literature, he wonderfully embodies the spirit of Jonathan Lorino and is most deserving of this prize named in his honor.</td>
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The Louis Bush Medal  

**JULIA ALISON GELDZAHLER**

Julia is an outstanding scholar who demonstrated her commitment to the study of French by spending a junior year abroad in Paris, and by deciding to pursue a master’s degree in French. In recognition of her love for the language, her intelligence and her strong work ethic, we are pleased to present her with the Louis Bush Medal.

The Italian Government Prize for Excellence in Italian  

**ALLISON JUDITH ANSPACH**

Allison was chosen for this prize in recognition of her excellence as an Italian major, including her successful participation in study abroad in Bologna, Italy.

**KATHLEEN ELIZABETH CASEY**

Kathleen was chosen for this prize in recognition of her research on Five Star Movement, the Italian political party launched recently by Beppe Grillo, for which she relied on Italian sources. Furthermore, as an Italian minor, Kathleen completed advanced Italian courses both at Tulane and in a study abroad program in Rome, Italy, as well as service-learning work in Italian.

**RACHEL KATHLEEN HULLETT**

Rachel was chosen for this prize in recognition of her excellence as an Italian major, including her successful participation in study abroad in Bologna, Italy.

**TERESA MARIA RUSSO**

Teresa was chosen for this prize in recognition of her excellence as an Italian major, including her successful participation in study abroad in Urbino, Italy.

The Program in Gender and Sexuality Studies  

The Award for the Outstanding Senior in Gender and Sexuality Studies  

**JESSICA SUZANNE CALLAHAN**

This award for academic achievement goes to the student in the major who, on the recommendation of the program faculty, is recognized as having made a contribution to the program. We honor this year’s recipient for her active engagement in gender studies scholarship and program community building, particularly for her innovative initiatives in pedagogy for the queer classroom. Jessica is truly a peer leader.
The Ann Royal Arthur Memorial Award  
MALLORY LORRAINE AVERY

This award honors a student of German “who is distinguished not only by his or her achievements, but also by dedication and sense of duty.” Mallory embodies these traits through her talent, dedication, and enthusiasm for German studies. We wish her good luck with her graduate career in economics at the University of Pittsburgh.

The John T. Krumpelmann Award  
CLAIRE HELOISE DAIGNEAULT
REES PATRICK OSTA

This award honors a graduating German major at Tulane for her or his superlative record of academic achievement. Claire spent a very productive year in Berlin on her junior year abroad, and has had a stellar career in the German program (most recently studying German film). The members of the department wish her all the best in her future career in medicine. Reese has excelled in the program, while serving as president of the German Club and establishing ties with the German-American community in New Orleans. We wish Reese good luck next year in Germany, where he will be teaching English on a Fulbright Teaching Assistantship.

The Russian Book Prize for Achievement in the Russian Language  
LILLIAN SOPHIA KOPASKA-MERKEL

Lillian’s commitment to Russian studies has shone since she arrived on campus. She brings her strong grasp of the language to her cultural and literary courses, broadening her classmates’ horizons. We commend her enthusiasm and achievements here at Tulane, and look forward to seeing what she accomplishes in the future.

The Department of History

The Aline Mackenzie Taylor Award in Intellectual History  
SOPHIE GLORIA CORNFIELD

Sophie wrote an excellent paper entitled “From Institutions to Public Schools: How Legislation and Litigation Surrounding Special Needs Education has Evolved from the 1950s to Today.” The essay traces changes in ideas about disability, and the place of disabled individuals in the polity and public sphere. As such, it engages and illuminates the practical application of ideas about disability as advanced by the fields of philosophy, ethics, and medicine.
The Mary B. Scott Memorial Prize in the Social Sciences  
NATALIE ERIN RUTSCH

Natalie wrote a brilliant essay entitled “Genetically Modified Corn in Mexico: A Threat to Biodiversity and Culture,” on a topic that draws on all three of the disciplines recognized by this prize. The paper is a model of elegant and persuasive historical argument, deftly deploying evidence and applying keen analysis.

Jewish Studies

The Dr. Bernard Kaufman Essay Contest Award  
ANDREW SCOTT GAYNOR

Andrew has produced amazing work that showed extraordinary promise as a scholar, and even broke some of the department’s own achievement records.

The Dr. Lawrence J. Kanter and Julie Kanter Award  
ERIN DANIELLE ALBERT  
ALEXANDRA PAIGE COHEN  
LARA ELAINA COHEN

Erin is an all-time outstanding student whose skyscraping GPA and commitment to Jewish Studies vaulted her to top positions. Alexandra had an unbelievably high GPA, and was an outstanding student. Lara also had a stellar GPA, and did extraordinary work in Jewish Studies. We applaud their tremendous efforts.

The Ephraim Lisitzky Memorial Award  
NICOLE JORDAN ETSEKSON  
JACOB HENRY HARRIS

Nicole was the department’s best student in Hebrew language, and was an extraordinary young scholar. Jacob made extraordinary improvements in mastering difficult material in a very short time. We are honored to present them with this award.

The Murphy Institute – Political Economy

The Charles H. Murphy Prize in Political Economy  
CAMERON ALEXANDRA  
DURHAM CONKLIN  
AURORA ELIZABETH GUNDERSEN

Cameron had the highest major GPA in this year’s graduating class with an outstanding 3.918. She is known among our faculty for her intellectual acuity and for the exceedingly high quality of her papers and essays. Aurora was one of only two political economy seniors to maintain a GPA over 3.8 overall and 3.8 in the major as well, while also managing to complete the year-long general course at the London School of Economics in her junior year, with an extraordinary 3.918 GPA at LSE.
The Murphy Institute Public Service Award

MWENDE KALONDU KATWIWA

No student at Tulane has contributed more to the city of New Orleans and the Tulane community than Mwende. In addition to her production of the Vagina Monologues and the Black Arts Festival, she is a highly honored poet and performing artist with a unique ability to combine art and public service. Her many awards include the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award, the Bruce J. Heim Foundation Student Service Fellowship, and the RAW New Orleans Performing Artist of the Year.

The Political Economy Program Senior Scholar

OCTAVIA LUCY MAWSON ABELL

Octavia has been an exceptional student at Tulane. As a member of the cross country team, Octavia was awarded the Conference USA Commissioner’s Medal of Honor, the highest academic award given to student athletes in Conference USA. She is also a member of the Honor Board, and is the president of the Tulane chapter of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars.

The Newcomb Department of Music

The Sarah I. Nadler Memorial Award in Music

CHRISTINA ANN BORNE

Christina is a composer and a performer who has written several pieces for solo instruments and for chamber ensembles. Her composition “Sussurro Piccolo” for piano solo has been selected as a winner of the Hatz Special Recognition Award in the National Federation of Music Clubs Student/Collegiate Composition Contest 2013. In several of her compositions, such as “The Moon’s Violin,” she uses orchestration to create sound images. Christina is very interested in teaching music and, after graduation, plans to pursue an advanced degree in music education, and to implement changes in the music curricula in the Louisiana school system.

JENNA LAUREN WINSTON

Jenna has been an active participant in the musical theatre, jazz and classical voice areas, and has appeared in leading roles with Summer Lyric Theatre at Tulane. She has performed as the Tulane Traditional Jazz Band singer, and as a soloist with numerous jazz combos in Dixon Hall concerts, as well as at Tulane’s Jazz at the Rat concerts. Jenna completed her honors thesis, entitled “The Problems of the Music-Language Comparison: A Critical Analysis of the Ways in Which Music is Compared to Language in Cognitive Neuroscience.” Her lecture recital analyzed and examined Ravel’s *Histoire Naturelle.*
The Department of Philosophy

The Anne Butler Hess Award

THANH LAM “LANCE” TRAN

Lance has done first-rate work in his philosophy courses, beginning as a star student in low-level classes and ending with excellent high-level essays that are philosophically sound and well-informed by empirical science. In addition, he has shown great enthusiasm for the subject, and has been an outstanding president of Tulane’s Philosophy Club.

The Department of Political Science

The Charles E. Dunbar Jr. Fellowship in Political Science

SALLY ELEANOR NESS

Among Sally’s many impressive academic accomplishments was an exceptional honors thesis on the politics of Medicaid expansion that was overseen by Professor Brian Brox.

The Class of 1935 - Ned Putzell Memorial Prize

AMANDA CATHERINE SAVAGE

Few, if any, students have a more impressive record of volunteerism at Tulane than Amanda. Her many activities include constructing a playground in the Ninth Ward with Kaboom, landscaping at City Park, repairing homes with the St. Bernard Project, and volunteering at the St. Charles Avenue Library, the Boys & Girls Club, and at a number of marathons and races throughout the city. Amanda was also a Tulane Public Service Fellow and helped construct multiple service learning courses.

The Mary B. Scott Memorial Prize

ANGELA LOUISE FILARDO

In addition to stellar academics, Angela stands out in part due to her study abroad experiences, which included trips to Rwanda, Uganda, Argentina and Kenya.

The Pi Sigma Alpha Award

NICHOLAS CLAYTON SUELLENTROP

In addition to his 3.9 major GPA, Nicholas was cited by a number of faculty members as a frequent, constructive participant in class discussion, which made him a leader among his peers and a pleasure to have in class.

The Shirley Wiel Greengus Memorial Award for Achievement in Political Science

LARA ELAINA COHEN

Lara has proven to be simply one of the best students in her class, carrying a 3.976 GPA in her major and impressing all faculty members with whom she came into contact.
**The Department of Sociology**

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Samantha’s achievements are truly outstanding and serve as a model for other sociology majors and minors. An intellectually gifted student, avid participant in extracurricular activities, and dedicated research assistant, she earned the highest GPA in sociology’s 2014 graduating class. Her professors note that she routinely goes beyond class requirements to bring information from outside organizations into class discussions. A true sociologist, Samantha is interested in social justice and in creating change where injustice exists.

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Amelia’s insightful honors thesis, “Framing Women in the Zapatista Army of National Liberation,” uses content analysis of primary source documents to analyze how members of the Zapatista Army construct perceptions of women’s family, gender, and organizational roles. As well as an astute researcher on her own, Amelia is an excellent research assistant, often working with sociology faculty on their own research projects. She is also an outstanding student and active leader of Tulane’s Sociology Club.

**The Department of Spanish and Portuguese**

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Julián is majoring in public health and Spanish (focusing both on the literatures and cultures of Spain and Latin America). Faculty members speak first-hand of his fluency in Spanish, his competence with academic research methods, his profound knowledge of literature, and his excellent linguistic skills, which have been impressive since he first started taking classes in the department. He is one of our most outstanding students, and his motivation, hard work, and distinguished record of service and community work make him a deserving recipient of the Corasanti Award.

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Sarah is an outstanding student who has written an excellent honors thesis in the Newcomb Scholars Program on Mujerista Theology, a doctrine developed by Cuban theologian Ada María Isasi in response to the exclusion of women in Church leadership and Christian discourse. It is an informative, extremely well-written thesis that engages with other theologies in regard to women, including liberation theology. Her research was meticulous, and the final product is exceptional.
The Iberian Studies Prize  JULLIÁN OSPINA

Julián is majoring in public health and Spanish, with a focus on the literatures and cultures of Spain and Latin America. He is one of the department's most outstanding students, with profound knowledge of literature and excellent linguistic skills, which have always impressed his professors. Julián's college career has been oriented toward a commitment to academic excellence, together with local, national, and international social responsibility. He will begin a graduate program in the fall in Madrid.

KELLEY ELIZABETH WALTON

Kelley has combined a rigorous course of study as a Newcomb Scholar – including a semester abroad at the University of Havana and another at the Universidad Complutense in Madrid – with a commitment to community outreach and activism around issues such as immigrant reform and women's rights at the local and international levels. She epitomizes a commitment to intellectual inquiry that will lead to social change, and is a great example of transatlantic literacy and command.

The Luso-Brazilian Studies Prize  RILEY SUSANNE RUSSELL

Riley stands out as a truly exceptional student of Luso-Brazilian literary and cultural studies. She speaks pristine Brazilian Portuguese, which is all the more admirable considering that she has never traveled to Brazil. She is a sensitive and careful reader of literary texts who could easily be mistaken for a graduate student. As a joint major, she has excelled in both Portuguese and Spanish, allowing her to conduct innovative comparative research on post-dictatorship performance protests.

The Newcomb Department of Theatre and Dance

The Dorothy Young Memorial Award for Best Performance by an Actress  VICTORIA AUDREY

This award is given to Victoria in recognition for her work in the department's 2014 production of Mauritius.

ROSE GURAL

The Garrick K. Barringer Award for Best Actor in a Supporting Role  BRENDAN BURKE BOWEN

Brendan is receiving this award for his outstanding work in the department's 2014 production of Mauritius.

The Garrick K. Barringer Award for Best Actress in a Supporting Role  TRICIA ROBIN ANDERSON

Tricia is receiving this award for her outstanding work in the production of Waiting for Godot.
The Janice Torre Perky Memorial Award for Excellence in Original or Creative Writing

JESSE CHARLES FRIEDMAN

This award is given in recognition to Jesse as the playwright for *Elijah Comes to Brooklyn in the Spring*, produced by the Tulane University Performing Arts Society (TUPAS) student organization.

The Stephanie “Stevie” Dawson Memorial Award for Excellence in Technical Theatre

SARAH ELIZABETH SCHULTZ

Sarah’s continuous dedication and service to the performing arts, while maintaining a positive and professional attitude in the face of challenging obstacles, is precisely what this award, named in honor of our late colleague, was designed to recognize. During her honors thesis production of *Eurydice*, Sarah maintained great poise, levelheadedness, and good humor while surmounting a variety of challenges. The production itself was striking, both for her marshaling of collaborators and its artistic achievement.

The Elizabeth B. Delery Award for Outstanding Achievement in Dance

JACOB MATTHEW ELY

Jake is selected for this 2014 inaugural award because of his journey at Tulane from being a walk-on football player to his artistic role of actor and dancer. We recognize his special accomplishment and extensive work to this end. Through his example, he is a source of inspiration among his peers. He has a promising future as a dance professional.

The Jill Karp Prize in Dance Choreography

ANNA TIANYU TAN

By today, Anna will have choreographed, and posted online, 136 thirty-second dances as part of her year-long goal to explore choreography in depth. Anna receives this award for her self-directed inquiry into the choreographic process. She is a BA dance major and also a stunning performer. Her Choreographic Capstone Project, entitled “Safety Net,” was exceptional and a monumental accomplishment.

The Jill Karp Prize in Dance Performance

JESSIE ALANDA KARDOS

Jessie is a BA major who excels in both performance and choreography. The faculty members of the Newcomb Dance Program applaud her intelligence, vulnerability, and artistry. Jessie is a qualitative and exceptionally beautiful dancer. We are convinced that she will be a substantial voice in the field of dance.

The Minnette L. Starts Award for Excellence in Dance

DELIA ANN CONSTANTINO

Delia, a BA dance major, receives this award for outstanding and varied contributions to theatre, dance, and the New Orleans community. Delia excels as a dancer and further contributes extracurricular efforts for the benefit of the Newcomb Dance Program and Tulane theatre students. We look forward to her progress in the dance profession.

LARA RENÉE MURRAY

Lara receives this award for her intense focus, intelligent application, and unique ability to blend academic and artistic elements of dance. Lara is a model student, and demonstrates her thirst for all that is dance, including excellence as a performer and choreographer. She is a BA dance major and, we believe, will contribute greatly to the field of dance.
THE OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE PUBLIC HEALTH STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

ERIN PEARL YASTROW

Erin has been an inspiring leader for her fellow undergraduate public health students at Tulane. She helped organize a student trip to the largest annual public health conference in the world, a peer-advising system, a graduate fair, and networking opportunities for her peers. Under her leadership, the Public Health Undergraduate Student Government group has grown and flourished. Their public health week included events with James Carville and former New York City Health Commissioner Thomas Farley.

THE OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE PUBLIC HEALTH STUDENT SCHOLASTIC AWARD

MEREDITH HALEY LICON

Meredith is graduating with honors in her Bachelor of Science in Public Health degree. She plans to pursue a PhD at Oregon Health Sciences University. She pursued her interests in biology & public health through a very successful thesis, “Molecular Characterization and Haplotyping of Trypanosoma cruzi DNA Isolated from Rodent Tissues and Vector Feces Collected Around the Greater New Orleans Area.” Her paper is under consideration for publishing with co-author Dr. Joseph Keating.

THE OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE PUBLIC HEALTH STUDENT SERVICE AND VOLUNTEERISM AWARD

KAMYA RAJA

Kamya has shown extraordinary commitment to helping disadvantaged youth around the world through her involvement with Recrear, an international youth development non-profit. She has organized events and a workshop on youth development in Morocco, as well as here in New Orleans. As a member of the Mortar Board, she helped organize a conference for middle school student leaders. Kamya has also been a volunteer for the Green Project since she was a first-year student.

THE TULANE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND TROPICAL MEDICINE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARD

JENNIFER BRYNNE ROSENTHAL

Whether working independently to create a survey for the Mary Amelia Women’s Center, or recruiting and training student mentors for the Women & Youth Supporting Each Other program at Langston Hughes Middle School, Jennifer has done important public service while leading the way. While attending the School for International Training during her semester abroad in Chile, Jennifer conducted an extensive Independent Study Project, written in Spanish and focusing on public health, traditional medicine, and community empowerment. She presented findings and made recommendations to the Ministry of Health of Chile, and her ISP was selected as one of the three best for publication.
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<td>These students were selected by a panel of judges as the first-place winners of the Senior Team Design Project for their ability to integrate the scholarship of discovery, learning, and service, by applying biomedical engineering to improve the quality of life for people with disabilities in the New Orleans metro area.</td>
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<td>Teresa has worked for a year in Dr. Ken Muneoka's lab on cartilage development in fracture healing. A generous and compassionate young person, she has gone to India to help teach English and plans to return there as a nursing assistant for a year. She hopes to become a nurse practitioner and work in oncology.</td>
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The Gerald S. Gussack ’75 M.D. Award  

**ANDREW SCOTT GAYNOR**

Andrew is an outstanding student who has completed three majors: cell and molecular biology, chemical engineering, and Jewish studies. He is a member of several honors societies and has been active in more than one research laboratory. His honors thesis on the heterogeneity of mesenchymal stem cell populations is an example of outstanding scholarship.

The Honors Thesis Award in Cell and Molecular Biology  

**ALEXANDER JAMES CAMMACK**

Alex possesses an impressive intellect with a high level of curiosity and drive that makes him stand out among his peers. He was awarded one of four Newcomb-Tulane College Honors Program Summer Research Grants that allowed him to fully commit to a research project in Professor Ken Muneoka’s lab. Alex carried out a number of studies characterizing the involvement of oxygen to the regenerative response. He joined Dr. Ed Grabczyk’s lab at the LSU Health Sciences Center, where he completed his honors thesis work. Alex is devoted to pursuing a career in research and his passion for scientific discovery will lead to success. Alex will be pursuing a doctorate in neurosciences.

**CAMILLE MICHELLE LEWIS**

Camille is a cell and molecular biology major with honors, and with a near perfect GPA at 3.86. She obtained the highest overall grades in both her Cell Biology and Molecular Biology of Cancer courses. Camille conducted her honors research in the lab of Professor Frank Jones, who said she was “by far the most talented undergraduate” he had ever had the pleasure of mentoring in his laboratory. She will be pursuing doctoral studies in the fall.

The Liz Earley Prize in Cell and Molecular Biology  

**CONNOR PATRICK DOLAN**

A neuroscience major, Connor has made worthwhile contributions to the research laboratory of Dr. Ken Muneoka by working doggedly towards bringing a new three-dimensional histology technique to Tulane’s campus. He is driven by a genuine scientific curiosity, and is only satisfied when he thoroughly understands a system or concept. His poster on this work won first prize for undergraduates at the School of Science and Engineering Research Day.

**CAROLINE CATHERINE GILLIS**

A double major in cell & molecular biology and public health, Caroline is an enthusiastic experimentalist. She has overlapped her interest in public health with her molecular and cellular biology, and has been able to work in research at this interface. She has worked in several laboratory settings and has been a valued member of each of them. Caroline plans to pursue a doctoral degree in microbiology.
The Professor Erik G. Ellgaard Award for Excellence in Cell and Molecular Biology  
MARJORIE ELIZABETH “BETSY” BATEMAN

Betsy is a Dean’s Honor Scholar who completed the requirements for the bachelor of science degree in two years and earned a 4.0 GPA. She spent one year in independent studies research, and has taken on leadership roles in a variety of significant clubs as volunteer activities. Betsy also spent her junior year, full-time, volunteering with AmeriCorps. She is a senior undergraduate preparing to graduate with a B.S., while finishing her first year of medical school studies.

LOUIS JAMES TAYLOR

A double major in cell and molecular biology and Spanish, Louis has maintained an almost perfect GPA, above 3.93. He is unafraid to tackle any project. A well-rounded young man, he is an adept computer programmer. He recently applied his programming talents to develop an interface for working with three-dimensional anatomy data, which was featured in the first-place undergraduate poster at the School of Science and Engineering Research Day.

The Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering

The American Institute of Chemical Engineers Activity Award  
SINEAD AISLING HOLLERAN

The student chapter of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers chose Sinead due to her dedication to her field, and also for her outstanding services to the profession.

The American Institute of Chemical Engineers Senior Scholarship Award  
SHUWEN LIN

The New Orleans section of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers is pleased to honor Shuwen as the senior in chemical and biomolecular engineering with the highest cumulative GPA.

The American Institute of Chemists Student Award  
ANDREW SCOTT GAYNOR

This award is presented to an outstanding senior who has demonstrated leadership ability, character, high scholastic achievement, and potential for advancement in the chosen field.

The Francis M. Taylor Award  
FREDERICK FAIRBANK TWIGG

This award is presented to Frederick, as the senior selected by the faculty for outstanding citizenship based upon professional attributes and accomplishments, ability to interact with colleagues and faculty, and positive contributions to departmental and university programs.
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The American Chemical Society Award

Joanna has been selected for this award based on exceptional scholarship in the field of chemistry. In addition to excelling in her chemistry coursework, she participated in multiple semesters of independent research that resulted in her co-authorship of several peer-reviewed publications.

The American Institute of Chemists Award

Nate is an excellent chemistry student whose undergraduate research project used excimer laser radiation to induce metal interlayer formation in metallized polymers. When combined with an outstanding record in the classroom, Nate’s strong performance at Tulane merits recognition with the American Institute of Chemists Award.

The Merck Index Award

Christopher is an outstanding student who has demonstrated consistently exceptional performance in his classes, and stands out among a large group of talented peers.

The William L. Alworth Prize for Biological Chemistry

Nick is an outstanding scholar who has demonstrated a consistently exceptional performance in his classes and in the laboratory. His imagination and independence in the lab, working on a variety of projects, attest to what a truly exceptional individual this young man is.

The Department of Computer Science

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Tyler worked on a project to develop algorithms to speed up autofocusing across multiple images from large tissue specimens. The development of new techniques in automated scanning microscopy creates a large need for rapid autofocusing across large tissue specimens. Tyler’s project seeks to provide a more efficient approach to autofocusing for structured illumination microscopy. Different autofocus functions and local-search algorithms were examined to minimize optimization time. A Gaussian process was trained to guide the microscope stage towards more in-focus areas based on recently observed data.
The Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences

The Reinhard A. Steinmayer Award

NICHOLAS JAMES STRACCO

Nick “Taco” Stracco is among the top graduates in environmental science in 2014. In addition to his academic excellence, Nick is known to many of his professors and fellow students for his passion and enthusiasm for all things environmental. He is also well-known around campus for both his role as the former president of the Tulane Green Club and his activism related to issues of environmental justice. Nick is completing an undergraduate thesis on the impacts of mountaintop-removal coal mining on Appalachian communities. Because of this experience, he plans to visit some of these communities next year to learn more, while pursuing non-profit work related to environmental justice.

The Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

The Fred R. Cagle Memorial Prize

NATHAN BOYD FRUMKIN

Nathan sets a high bar in the evolutionary biology major. He achieved the top GPA among a strong graduating class, conducted multiple independent research projects, completed an excellent honors thesis, and served as an Undergraduate Fellow. He has worked with breeding birds in New England and explored Ecuadorian rainforests. The department is thrilled that Nathan will be joining as a 4+1 student, as he continues his promising trajectory in the field.

The Gerald E. Gunning Memorial Award

JULIA KITTLESON BERKEY

Julia's grade point average is among the top in her graduating class. She is a member of the Newcomb-Tulane College Honors Program, and completed an honors thesis based on original research she conducted on the role of female mate preference in generating reproductive barriers. She made important contributions to field and lab research in the Richards-Zawacki lab, and also participated in research in South Africa through the Organization for Tropical Studies.

BRIANA MEGAN O’MALLEY

Briana performed outstandingly well in the major. She did some of what were described as “the most beautiful dissections” ever seen in vertebrate morphology, and earned a high GPA. She has irrepressible enthusiasm, from the classroom to the field. Briana also completed an outstanding honors thesis on a challenging topic. She was fearless in the jungles of Costa Rica, capturing and handling many kinds of snakes, and navigated several complex statistical procedures to analyze her data.
The Stuart S. Bamforth Prize for Excellence in Environmental Studies  
MARLEE ROSE LABROO

Marlee is an extremely insightful, intelligent, and engaged student. She earned a high GPA while maintaining a rigorous course load, served several semesters as an Undergraduate Fellow in the Diversity of Life laboratory, and completed a Research Experience for Undergraduates program in a plant molecular biology lab in the summer of her junior year.

The Zoology Prize  
CASEY GU

Casey is a smart, creative, and insightful student. She has maintained a high GPA, successfully completed rigorous coursework in the major, and is currently preparing for a 4+1 in Dr. Van Bael's laboratory investigating plant-fungal relationships.

The Department of Mathematics

The Glendy Burke Medal in Mathematics  
LEE AUSTIN BARNETT

Lee completed an amazing 16 mathematics courses with a 3.5 average, ranging over analysis, topology, algebra, and theoretical computer science. An unusually large number of faculty offered glowing comments about his intelligence and performance. They mentioned his “infectious curiosity” and referred to Lee as a “true scholar.” Lee’s senior paper, directed by Professor Michael Mislove, was in the area of theoretical computer science and its links to mathematics. Inspired by his interest in linguistics (in which he also is completing a major), Lee studied syntactic monoids and used topology and uniform spaces to generalize the notion of “recognizability.” Professor Mislove commented that Lee mastered a wide range of topics to carry out this project.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma Prize in Mathematics  
RACHEL D. RYLEY

Rachel's sterling performance in 11 mathematics courses produced a mathematics GPA of over 3.8. In her senior project, directed by Professor Mahir Can, she studied the affine Weyl group, which is used to study the symmetries of various algebraic structures. By interpreting the elements of this group in terms of the topological theory of knots, it provides a model for the action of particular enzymes in altering the geometry of genetic molecules.

The Terry C. Lawson Prize in Mathematics  
AARON WILLIAM BARRETT

Aaron began his senior paper last summer at a Research Experience for Undergraduates program at Tulane. He learned the theory of fluid dynamics related to low Reynolds number flow and related numerical techniques of approximation. He then implemented and modified a method of his advisor, Professor Jacek Wrobel, resulting in a joint research article to be submitted to Physics of Fluids. Wrobel states that Aaron produced some excellent results which are novel to the field. Aaron’s mathematics course work was just as impressive: a 3.8 average in 15 mathematics courses.
The Terry C. Lawson Prize in Mathematics  

MICHAEL EDWIN SEEHORN GLASS

Michael wrote an outstanding senior paper using topology to study binary sequences. A motivation for this work is the possibility of applying this type of analysis to DNA sequences. Michael's work began last summer at a summer program in topology run by his senior paper advisor, Professor Rafal Komendarczyk. Michael's GPA for his extensive 13-math-course curriculum was an impressive 3.8.

The Department of Neuroscience

The Neuroscience Faculty Award  

THERESA LAN-THAO CAO

Theresa did very well on her honors thesis research, and published a first author review based on some of her earlier findings. She and her advisor are currently preparing a manuscript derived from her honors thesis. Her thesis defense was presented clearly and indicated her thorough knowledge of the research subject.

CLAIRE ELIZABETH WILSON

Claire helped to develop and implement an analysis system for assessing neuron morphology in cell culture. She collaborated with other members of Dr. Benjamin Hall's laboratory and obtained significant results. When she presented her data to her lab members and to the Newcomb Scholars, she was able to clearly describe the data and experiments. Her honors thesis work contributes to the overall goals of the laboratory.

The Department of Physics and Engineering Physics

The Elsie Field Dupré Memorial Prize in Physics  

VIVIAN TY DAO

For completing physics and engineering classwork with great distinction and demonstrating excellence within individual and group projects, all while completing her engineering physics degree in only three years, Vivian has earned the 2014 Elsie Field Dupré Memorial Prize in Physics. Future students will continue to appreciate Vivian’s work while utilizing the new 3D printer that she was instrumental in building.

The Joseph J. Kyame Award in Physics  

CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH JUMONVILLE

For his outstanding performance in classwork and research, and for demonstrating exceptional aptitude for both theoretical and applied physics, Christopher has earned the 2014 Kyame Award in Physics. He is also to be commended for helping his peers and for his contribution to installing the new 3D printer, which future students will continue to enjoy.
The Department of Psychology

The Aaron Hartman Award in Psychology  
ASHLEY PERLE GALSKY

Ashley completed a conceptually sophisticated honors thesis on the prevalence of trauma in inner city African American youth and its relationship to mental health outcomes. In doing this work, she displayed a high level of intellectual independence and social maturity. With minimal assistance, she arranged, organized, and conducted interviews; analyzed community data on poverty and crime; and creatively integrated that with information from interviews with 80 adolescents on experiences of trauma related to poverty and violence.

MELANIE RACHEL HOTZ

Melanie is a superb student who has excelled in a rigorous academic program. She has served with distinction as an undergraduate assistant in the research program on Vulnerable Children, Families, and Schools. She has made invaluable contributions to the implementation of an early childhood math intervention project in a New Orleans public school. In connection with this project, she has written an excellent honors thesis which explores the extent and nature of early gender differences in mathematics.

The Anne M. McPherson Memorial Award  
BRITTANY ANN MARIE DeVRIES

Brittany receives this award for her outstanding performance and contributions to research in psychology, and her superior academic performance. The award will help enable her to attend an international professional meeting in psychology where she will present her research.

The Arnold Gerall Prize for Neuroscience  
PAMELA ALEXA SVORINIC

Pam is a consummate scholar, and excels in both the classroom and the laboratory. Her list of academic honors is long and includes scholarships, memberships in honor societies, and participation in the honors program. Pam has developed into a talented neuroscientist, and led her own research team while conducting her honors thesis research into the impact of estrogens on memory and the brain.

The Barbara E. Moely Award for Psychology in the Public Interest  
ILANA ELIAS

Ilana has engaged in several public service activities, in addition to her community-based research. The department notes, “It is rare to come across an undergraduate student with Ilana’s dedication and creativity, and it has been a pleasure to work with her.” She has clearly demonstrated her level of commitment to New Orleans through her work, and she plans to pursue that commitment in future graduate work in the field of industrial organizational psychology.
The Rosa Cahn Hartman Award in Psychology

CLAIRE OLIVIA BURNS

Claire receives this award for her exceptional academic record across all areas of psychology, her outstanding performance in research in psychology at Tulane and in other labs in New Orleans, and her overall contributions to the field.

MACKENZIE HEALEY SHADE

Mackenzie, a psychology and Asian Studies double major, has consistently demonstrated excellence and leadership within and outside of psychology. She has excelled at her coursework, served the Tulane community as a Resident Advisor and an intern with the Center for Engaged Learning and Teaching, and completed her honors thesis under the mentorship of Dr. Courtney Baker. Mackenzie has been accepted into the prestigious Japan Exchange and Teaching Program, providing her with the opportunity to teach English in Japan next year.

THE NEWCOMB-TULANE COLLEGE SENIOR HONORS SCHOLARS

The distinction of senior honors scholar is bestowed upon the one student (or, occasionally, students) each department or program considers to be their very best, taking into account the quality of the student's senior thesis, the student's performance in courses, and the student's other contributions to his or her field.

Anthropology

BENJAMIN GARRETT DAVIS
SARAH FLORENCE WEINBERG

Architecture

MADISON RYLIE BAKER
JACK PAUL WATERMAN

Art History

ZACHARY ROBERT CHIZMAR

Art Studio

BENJAMIN SAHNG MAHN KIM

Asian Studies

STACY LOUISE KROST

Biomedical Engineering

BARRETT JAMES HAWKINS

Business—Case Study

CAITLIN ELIZABETH RYAN
HAYLEY ANN TILTON

Cell and Molecular Biology

ALEXANDER JAMES CAMMACK

Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering

ANDREW SCOTT GAYNOR

Chemistry

JOANNA ERYKA LAPUCHA

Classical Studies

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Newcomb-Tulane College wishes to congratulate the following graduating seniors on receiving prestigious national fellowships.

**Critical Language Scholarship (Morocco)**
- SKYE JANILLE ANDERSON

**Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship**
- LAUREN MICHELLE
- KWIATKOWSKI (Taiwan)
- PATRICK LARSON MATTHEWS (Belgium)
- DANIEL ISAAC MELLOW (Greece)
- REESE PATRICK OSTA* (Germany)

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

**The Leaders in Service Award**
This award recognizes those students who have committed their Tulane University career to improving the community around them. Whether through service-learning courses, internships, student leadership, or volunteerism, these students have shown dedication to the city of New Orleans and beyond.

CHRISTIE LYNN ANDOLENA
EMILY FRANCIS BOWDEN
CLARE B. BURKE
ANNA GRACE CARSON
ELIZABETH CHERRICK
LINDSEY RACHEL CUREWITZ
ELLEN ANDRIES DEAN
ILANA ELIAS
ANGELA LOUISE FILARDO
SAMANTHA LEE GOULD
EMILIE ROSE GRODMAN
OPHIR HABERER
EMILY MARIE HERRICK
KATHRYN ELIZABETH HOMAN

MWENDE KALONDU KATWIWA
STEPHEN JOHANN KASPAR LEE
BRYN VICTORIA McKERNAN
JUAN CARLOS MONTERREY GOMEZ
VIRGINIA ELIZABETH MORGAN
TABITHA CELESTE MUSTAFA
MINZALA GRACIA MVULA
NHU NGOC KIEU PHAM
ANDREW ABRAM NAPHTALI PRITZKER
DANNA RASLAN
EMMA CHARLOTTE SKOK
CALLIE FRANCES TURLINGTON***
The Jim Runsdorf Excellence in Public Service Student Award

MWENDE KALONDU KATWIWA

Before she started at Tulane, Mwende dedicated a year of service in New Orleans with AmeriCorps City Year. Once at Tulane, this commitment grew. Within the Center for Public Service, Mwende has served as a Public Service Fellow, the inaugural Heim Service Fellow, and a member of the Student Advisory Board. Along with these activities, Mwende has held leadership positions with Mortar Board, the Black Student Union, and Tulane’s production of the Vagina Monologues.

JUAN CARLOS MONTERREY GOMEZ

Juan Carlos has worked to support Tulane’s public service program and social innovation/social entrepreneurship initiatives. He served on advisory boards for both programs. He combined these interests as a Center for Public Service Public Service Fellow, and then as a Service Learning Assistant with social innovation/social entrepreneurship courses. Concurrently, he assisted with the creation of Fund 17, a student-run microfinance institution. Over the past year, Juan Carlos raised money for relief efforts in the Philippines.

STUDENT ATHLETES

The Newcomb-Tulane College Student Athlete Award

This award is given to the graduating male and female seniors who best combine success as an athlete with success in the classroom.

BENJAMIN BRIGGS BARRIOS
JOANNA ERYKA LAPUCHA

NEWCOMB-TULANE COLLEGE DEAN’S SERVICE AWARDS

Dean MacLaren recognizes the following graduating seniors who have shown exemplary leadership, scholarship, honor, service, and commitment to the college and the campus community.

JESSICA SUZANNE CALLAHAN
NICOLAS FEIA
SAMANTHA LEE GOULD
LAUREN MICHELLE KWIATKOWSKI

PATRICK LARSON MATTHEWS
THANH LAM NGOC TRAN
KELLEY ELIZABETH WALTON
RYAN TODD WELLMAKER
## COLLEGEWIDE AWARDS

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All award recipients are May 2014 degree candidates, except where noted as follows:

*Degree requirements completed December 2013
**Degree requirements to be completed August 2014
***Degree requirements for the joint Bachelor of Science in Engineering/Master of Science in Engineering program to be completed in 2014-2015
†Earned jointly with a Master of Accounting
¹Earned jointly with a Master of Science in Engineering
²All degree requirements to be completed by December 31, 2014
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