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2021 SCHOLASTIC HONORS CONVOCATION

Friday, April 23, 2021

Columbus State University

(Note: Convocation was a virtual ceremony.)

FACULTY AWARD:

- **EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR: Dr. Cameron Williams**

STUDENT AWARDS:

- **ACADEMIC RECOGNITION AWARD: Ivey Milam**
- **FACULTY CUP AWARD: Jessica DeMarco-Jacobson**
- **STUDENT OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS:**

Department	Student of Excellence
Department of Art	Cierra Fountain
Department of Communication	Sydney Collier
Schwob School of Music	Samuel Vargas Teixeira
Department of Theatre	Victoria Turk
Department of Accounting & Finance	Rebecca Christopher
Department of Management & Marketing	Madeline Goodfellow
TSYS School of Computer Science	Kyle Martinolich
Department of Teacher Education, Counseling & Leadership	Shannon Eshman
Department of Kinesiology & Health Sciences (Health Science)	Kyla Sumter
Department of Kinesiology & Health Sciences (Kinesiology)	Tanya Miller
Department of Kinesiology & Health Sciences (Health & Physical Education)	La'Tasha Morgan
Department of Kinesiology & Health Sciences (Exercise Science)	Giorgia Vitale
School of Nursing	Carissa Beckett
Department of Criminal Justice & Sociology (Criminology)	Horacio Enriquez
Department of Criminal Justice & Sociology (Sociology)	Harriet Stephens
Department of English	Jessica DeMarco- Jacobson
Department of History & Geography (History)	Vivian Leonard Walker
Department of History & Geography (Geography)	Samuel Belisle
Department of Modern & Classical Languages	Meredith Cohen
Department of Politics, Philosophy & Public Administration	Jana Talley

Department	Student of Excellence
Department of Biology (M.S. Natural Sciences – Biology Track)	Esteban Pinto Landeta
Department of Chemistry	Zi Jie Lin
Department of Chemistry (M.S. Natural Sciences – Chemistry Track)	Jihyeon Park
Department of Earth & Space Sciences	Stephanie Thompson
Department of Earth & Space Sciences (M.S. Natural Sciences – Geo-Science Track)	n/a
Department of Earth & Space Sciences (M.S. Natural Sciences – Environmental Science Track)	Lauren Moore
Department of Mathematics	Nolan Bidleman
Department of Psychology	Stephanie Clarke

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

Honors College

Interdisciplinary Studies Award: Les Anderson
Scholarly Activities in Fine & Performing Arts Award: Molli McGinnis
Scholarly Activities in Humanities Award: Jessica DeMarco-Jacobson
Scholarly Activities in Professional Studies Award: Elijah Neundorfer
Scholarly Activities in Science Award: Meenal Joshi
Scholarly Activities in Social Science Award: Ashlyn Dewberry

College of the Arts

B.A. Studio Art Award: Taylor Mills
B.F.A. Studio Art Award: Kate Scrivner
Art History Award: Skyler Williams
Art Education (Undergraduate) Award: Saleah Dawson
Art Education (Graduate) Award: Howard Willis, Jr.
Communication Award: Aspen Popowski
Senior Music Award: Matthew McDowell
The Presser Scholar Award: Margaret Archer
Theatre Arts Award: Carter Whiddon
Theatre Arts Performance Award: Gabrielle Story
Theatre Arts Design & Technical Award: Emma Wigington
Theatre Arts Education Award: Victoria Turk

D. Abbott Turner College of Business

Accounting Award: Megan Head
Finance Award: Tristan Shytle
Management Award: Madeline Goodfellow
General Business Award: Johnathan George
Marketing Award: Reina Mendez-Arellano
Management Information Systems Award: Tatseyana Taylor
Master of Business Administration (Georgia WebMBA) Award: Brittney Herrin
Master of Business Administration Award: John Noblitt
Master of Science in Organizational Leadership Award: Lauralin Innis
B.S.in Applied Computer Science Award: Patrick McNamee
B.S. in Computer Science: Games Programming Award: Maranda Daugherty
B.S. in Information Technology Award: Patrick White
B.S. in Computer Science: Software Systems Award: Peter Keres
B.S. in Computer Science: Cybersecurity Award: Elijah Neundorfer
B.S in Computer Science: Web Development Award: Kody Martinolich
B.S in Computer Science: Enterprise Computing Award: Kyle Martinolich
B.S in Computer Science: Computer Teacher Education Award: Anthony Obando
M.S in Cybersecurity Management: Steven Manderson

College of Education and Health Professions

School Counseling (Graduate) Award: Candice Stevens
Clinical Mental Health Counseling (Graduate) Award: Cayla Doolittle
Educational Leadership (Graduate) Award: Brian Thomas
Educational Leadership – Higher Education (Graduate) Award: Marisa Benitez
Doctor of Education – Educational Leadership Track Award: Ginnette Bartlett
Doctor of Education – Curriculum Track Award: Allyson Douthit
Doctor of Education-Higher Education Administration Award: Amber Dees
Elementary Education (Undergraduate) Award: Miranda Santiago
Elementary Education (Graduate) Award: Tessa Davis
Middle Grades Education (Undergraduate) Award: Sydney Garner
Middle Grades Education (Graduate) Award: Alexis Wells
English Education (Undergraduate) Award: Shari Shleibak
English Education (Graduate) Award: Keisha Williams
Spanish Education (Undergraduate) Award: Elica Ortega
Secondary Mathematics Education (Graduate) Award: Victoria Johnson
UTeach Mathematics Education (Undergraduate) Award: Leroy Ward
UTeach Science Education (Undergraduate) Award: Melody Golden
Secondary Science Education (Graduate) Award: Terrance Lewis
History Education (Undergraduate) Award: Matthew Wacter
Social Science Education (Graduate) Award: Meredith Donovan
Special Education (Undergraduate) Award: Shannon Eshman
Curriculum & Instruction in Accomplished Teaching (Graduate) Award: Christopher Wascak
Teacher Leadership (Graduate) Award: Karla Buckholz
Outstanding Nursing B.S.N. Award: Jessenia Rodriguez
Outstanding Nursing M.S.N. Award: Jon Kearns
Outstanding Nursing R.N. – B.S.N. Award: Caroline Chambers
Outstanding Nursing F.N.P. Award: Vasilina Johnson

College of Letters and Sciences

Literature Award: Joseph Evangelista
Professional Writing Award: Anayia Cook
Creative Writing Award: Dillon Power
Outstanding Senior Teacher Education Award: Elica Ortega
Outstanding Literature & Culture Award: Marianela Cruz
Outstanding Political Science Major Award: Sarah Holden
Mario Mion Political Science Honors Scholarship Award: Belem Gonzalez-Castaneda
Master of Public Administration Award: Karl Ivey
Philosophy Award: Sheridan Harris
Cellular & Molecular Biology Award: Abigail Abernathy
Biology Education Award: Emily Smith
George Stanton Biology Award: Meenal Joshi
Organismic Biology Award: Jim Taylor Lewis
Ecological & Evolutionary Biology Award: Emily King
Outstanding Freshman Chemistry Major Award: Rahul Clamor
Excellence in Chemistry Research Award: Shyrisse Ramos
Geology Award: Alphonzo Dyser
Engineering Award: Cody Ellis
Astronomy Award: Skyler Vaughn
Physics Award: Benjamin Crane
Environmental Science Award: Madelyn Eysel

Psychology Academic Achievement Award: Kathleen Rhinebolt
Psychology Undergraduate Research Award: Erin Daniel