

University Recognition

2019 Valedictorian

The Valedictorian is the student who has demonstrated academic excellence by achieving a 3.7 or higher GPA, University involvement, service and leadership. The awardee has the honor of delivering the valedictory address at the University commencement ceremony on May 11.

The valedictorian will be announced at the Honors Liturgy.

The University Honors Program at Detroit Mercy

The University Honors Program at University of Detroit Mercy serves the Colleges of Business Administration, Engineering & Science, Liberal Arts & Education and the School of Architecture. The program strives to integrate the intellectual, spiritual, ethical and social development of its members by fostering a community of scholarly excellence, encouraging exploration of the larger world beyond the classroom and promoting compassionate service to society at large and to persons in need. Students graduating from the Honors Program may graduate as Presidential Scholars, Honors Scholars Cum Laude or Honors Scholars.

Presidential Scholar

Students who have completed the Honors Program curriculum, volunteered a minimum of 100 hours of community service and achieved a minimum GPA of 3.75.

**Brittany N. Derr, Hannah M. Tillman, John R. Sherwood,
Heather A. Nelson, Kathrine E. Yacoo**

Honors Scholar Cum Laude

Students who have completed the Honors Program curriculum, volunteered a minimum of 100 hours of community service and achieved a minimum GPA of 3.5.

Bryan J. Debono

Kappa Gamma Pi

Membership in Kappa Gamma Pi, the national Catholic college graduate honor society, is awarded to students whose lives exemplify excellence in leadership, scholarship, faith and service.

**Relicious Eboh
Jermaine Baldwin
Nicholas Boynton
Jena Fear
Robin Gravlin
Tiffany Gripper**

**Abby Johnson
Vanessa Lee
Kathleen Lyons
Heather Nelson
Mary Payne
Jennifer Reiff**

**Chloe Ricciardi
Celeste Shefferly
Aubree Snow
Emily Unger
Daniela Vazquez
Mary Warr**

Alpha Sigma Nu Candidates

Alpha Sigma Nu, the honor society of Jesuit institutions of higher education, recognizes those students who distinguish themselves in scholarship, loyalty and service. The only honor society permitted to bear the name Jesuit, AΣN encourages its members to a lifetime pursuit of intellectual development, deepening Ignatian spirituality, service to others and a commitment to the core principles of Jesuit education.

**Angelina Antonyan
Clayton Blackwell
Marco Ciavaglia
Kristin Crowley
Oluwadamilola Adetoun
Fagade**

**Jenna Gower
Brianna Gross
Jewel Haji
Khadijah McFadden
Artona Millhouse
Moniba Mirkhani**

**Michelle Spring
Lauren Sundstrom
James Thomas**

Institute for Leadership & Service

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Emerging Leaders Program (ELP) Leadership Pin and Leadership Medallion

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Leadership Pin Award Candidates

Ongoing involvement in student organizations, spirituality workshops, leadership workshops, and 125 hours of community service.

College of Liberal Arts and Education

Bryan Debono – Business Administration and Psychology**

Da'Jonae Foster – Psychology

Courtney Gilbert – Developmental Psychology**

Bethany Howard – Psychology**

Heather Nelson – Criminal Justice

Sydney Pollock – Psychology**

Nicholas Sandercott – Psychology**

College of Business Administration

Taylor Curry – Business Administration** and Spanish Language Certificate

Bryan Debono – Business Administration and Psychology**

Nicole Gebara – Business Administration** and Psychology Minor

Vania Noguez – Business Administration and Philosophy Minor

Pauline Van Herck – Business Administration** and Political Science Minor

College of Engineering and Science

Saamera Awali – Biology**

Kiefer Degener – Mechanical Engineering**, Biomedical Design Minor & Certificate Catholic Studies

Fatima Edriss – Biology and Arabic Language Certificate

Mousa Farraj – Biochemistry** and Philosophy Minor

Morgan Girardi – Biochemistry** and Business Minor

Elizabeth Gonser – Biology** and Psychology Minor

Deja Lee – Biology** and Psychology Minor

Tavala Luciw – Pre-Medical Biology** and Theatre Minor & Spanish Language Certificate

Danielle Maxwell – Chemistry**

Payal Patel – Biology and Psychology Minor

Kathrine Yacoo – Biochemistry

College of Health Professions & McCauley School of Nursing

Mallory Dapprich – Nursing**

Jena Fear – Nursing**

Maya Ghandour– Nursing**

Jamie Hetzel – Nursing**

James Hogg – Nursing**

Kori Keyes – Nursing**

Vanessa Lee – Nursing**

Cassidy Lombardi –
Nursing**

Julianne Paul – Nursing**

Alisa Smith – Nursing**

Shelby Somes – Nursing**

Angel Thymalil – Nursing**

Taylor Topolski – Nursing**

Emily Unger – Nursing**

Leadership Medallion Award Recipients

These students have met the requirements of the Leadership Pin and have additional involvement in student organizations, spirituality retreats, completed leadership coursework, and 250 hours of community service.

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Nicholas Sandercott – Psychology**

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**Students who are minoring in Leadership

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College of Liberal Arts & Education

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Jermaine Baldwin – Cybersecurity and Information Systems
Robin I. Gravlin — Psychology
Tiffeny J. Gripper — Criminal Justice
Jean D. Johnson — Special Education
Heather A. Nelson — Criminal Justice
Chole M. Ricciardi — Social Work
Mary A. Warr — History

Leadership Pin Award

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Sydney T. Pollock — Psychology
Nicholas D. Sandercott — Psychology

Graduate Student Awards

Department

Excellence in Intelligence Analysis

Presented to a student who is completing a Master of Science in Intelligence Analysis and whose work in the program has shown dedication and competence at the highest level.

Christopher A. Clark

Joan K. Wilder Award

Presented to a graduating student in the Education Program and whose paper demonstrates scholarship in content and form, and creativity in approach or insight.

Michael J. DeBruyn

Richard H. L. Marshall Award for Graduate Excellence in Information Assurance

Presented to a graduate student in Information Assurance who has exhibited the highest degree of academic achievement and leadership potential within a governmental, business or educational organization. Given in the name of Richard Henry Lee Marshall to honor his contributions to the security of the nation.

Robert Schrah

Marcia A. Davis Liberal Studies Award

Presented to a graduating Master of Arts in Liberal Studies student for outstanding, inspirational, academic and life achievement.

Mary Ann Dinan

Sir Robert Peel Award

Award presented for excellence in graduate studies in Criminal Justice/Security Administration and for distinguished service within the student's respective field.

Russell J. Emerick

Undergraduate Student Awards

College

Clarence J. McLeod Award

Presented in memory of Congressman Clarence J. McLeod to a junior with the highest academic average after five semesters in the College of Liberal Arts & Education.

Savannah N. Sloan

Undergraduate Student Awards

Department

Robert and Genevieve Sage Addiction Studies Award

Presented to the graduating senior with the highest grade point average in the Addiction Studies Program for seven terms.

Patrick D. Kelsch

Cybersecurity & Information Systems Undergraduate Award

Presented to the undergraduate student in the Cybersecurity & Information Systems Program who has demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and shows exceptional promise as a scholar in this field.

Annmarie N. Nagy

Helen Kean Undergraduate Studies Award

Presented for the best undergraduate Education Program student paper demonstrating scholarship in content and form, and creativity in approach or insight.

Laura Garcia

Malcolm Carron, S.J., Education Award

Presented to the graduating senior with the highest grade point average in the Education Program for seven semesters.

Jean D. Johnson

Howard Walsh Memorial Award

Presented to the English major who has demonstrated the greatest proficiency in English language and literature. The award was founded in 1927 by Annie Doheny Walsh.

Hannah M. Tillman

Catherine A. Caraher History Prize

Presented to a history major in recognition of outstanding academic achievement. The award is named in honor of the former chair of the History Department.

Mary K. McNally

Historic Memorials Society in Detroit Award

Presented to a history major by the Historic Memorials Society in Detroit for outstanding achievement in the study of American History.

Charles T. Murphy

Political Science Award

Presented to a graduating senior for commitment to academic excellence and service in political science.

Allison F. McDonough

Economics Award

Presented to a student majoring in economics or financial economics who shows exceptional promise in the field.

James L. Parchell

John J. Muller Psychology Award

Presented to an outstanding undergraduate to pursue an advanced degree in psychology.

Da' Jonae D. Foster

Jerome Rozycki Criminal Justice Studies Award

Presented to the graduating senior with the highest grade point average
in the Criminal Justice Program for seven terms.

Heather A. Nelson

Social Work Award

Presented annually to the graduating senior with the highest grade point average
in the Social Work Program for seven terms.

Marleen Rubio

Dean's Gold Key Award

Presented annually to honor freshmen with at least 15 hours in residence
who have achieved a 4.0 grade point average; sophomores and juniors with 30 or more hours in residence
who have achieved at least a 3.9 grade point average; and seniors with 30 or more hours in residence
who have achieved at least a 3.8 grade point average.

Freshmen

Mary Elizabeth B. Johnson
Nathan J. Wodwaski

Sophomores

Olivia S. Elby
Dominick S. Gorsline
Natalia A. Grasso
Sarah C. Lucas

Juniors

Wenjing Gao
Rebekah Harden

Michael A. LaBruyere

Mary K. McNally
Gannon Pacioni
Teka L. Richardson
Savannah N. Sloan
Murui Tong

Seniors

Brittany N. Derr
Shaesha M. Dudley-Shoulders
Tianhui Fang
Da' Jonae D. Foster
Tiffeny J. Gripper

Sarah L. Hirschmann

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Heather A. Nelson
James L. Parchell
Marleen Rubio
Joshua J. Sexton
Hannah M. Tillman
Mary A. Warr
Eryn E. Zelek

Dean's Award

Presented to undergraduate students who are not Dean's Gold Key awardees and who have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or better through Term I of this academic year.

Freshmen

Hannah Alexis
Crystal A. Al-Mahdi
Delaney N. Alward
Kennedy Campeau
Samantha R. Dick
Miranda M. Gorges
Jashanjot Singh
McKenna N. Tanguay
Kyle J. Waters
Haley N. Williams
Evan N. Zolman

Sophomores

Francis R. Doud
Rebekah A. Hirschmann
James S. Hofmann
Andrew A. Kujawski
Megan C. Lynch
Meredith H. Moore
Maya J. Mourani
Marlene L. Nelson
Nurzahan Rahman
Sabriyyah Ricketts
Rachel R. Russo
Alexandra Sinani
Mina Spryszak
Sophie L. Torcello
Jasmine L. Ulch

Juniors

Justin Armstrong
Marissa M. Barriuso
Tanaja K. Campbell
Christina Capling
Natalie R. Deyo
Laura Garcia
Yiyuan Han
Angel R. Hollobaugh
Jill N. Jenkins
Reyna D. Jimenez
Emily I. Jones
Grace G. Kowalski
Taylor R. Laporte
Jiangfeng Li
Ziruo Li
Steven L. Manrique
Zachary B. Marshall
Shelbi R. Matlock
Tegan R. McManus
Ashley N. Miller
Andre J. Moon
Thomas R. Mueller
Elizabeth L. Murphy
Jack J. Rehmann
Mitchell A. Robinson
Madison R. Scarsella
Sara M. Shook
Camille E. Sinclair
Micah Socha
Zachary P. Turk
Haley R. Walsh
Benjamin J. Westphal

Seniors

Jermaine Baldwin
Elyse M. Bender
Candice K. Bryant
Wenwei Cao
Tanita L. Chester
Ghadear T. Eid
Dongfei Gao
Dina C. Garcia
Courtney M. Gilbert
Maeve E. Grady
Robin I. Gravlin
Bethany J. Howard
Zili Hu
Melissa A. Keith
Patricia A. Ketzner
Matt R. Lemerise
Emma L. Leszczak
Siqi Li
Brandon Mays
Lynn R. McCurry
Lauri A. Moore
Scott J. Pickens
Sydney T. Pollock
Sarah C. Purifoy
Christina Roberts
Nicholas D. Sandercott
Yongqiang Sun
Anmarie H. Taylor
Daniel Torriglia
Kiana C. Williams
Alexandria A. Zimmerman

College of Engineering & Science

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Scholar Award Criteria

All students who receive either the Scholar Key Award or the Scholar Certificate Award have a minimum GPA of 3.75 at the end of the fall term prior to the Honors Convocation.

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Scholar Key Awards

Freshmen with 12-31 credit hours and a 4.0 GPA. Sophomores with 32-62 credit hours and a 3.9 or higher GPA. Juniors with 63-94 credit hours and a 3.8 or higher GPA.

Seniors with 95 or more credit hours and a 3.8 or higher GPA.

Freshmen

Anum S. Ahsan
Joshua M. Azucena
Sami H. El-Nachef
Shane M. Gantos
Ga Young Lee
Devin A. Liebich
Hannah M. Odeesh
Riya G. Patel
Danh T. Phan
Julie Ann Piechocki
John W. Reedy
Lauren K. Ross
Lorraine L. Yuen

Sophomores

Farzad K. Baghaie
Laila F. Baltaji
Shani K. Camargo
Ahmad Chalhoub
Issra Dourra
Carmela R. Esteva
Danielle T. Fusco
Joseph M. Jessop
Laura H. Kado
Rachel R. Khemmoro
Junhyeok Lee
Anne G. Mandapathil
Cassidy R. Masserant
Shana R. Murphy
Grace Y. Pak
Neil N. Parikh
Pujan A. Patel
Sheena R. Patel
Farhan Rahman
Ebrahim Y. Rampuri
Leonardo S.
Romero-Barajas
Georgia M. Sheena
Alice Song
Jordin R. Valenti
Daniel C. Won

Juniors

Masa Alhawasli
Angelina Antonyan
Madelyn L. Bastin

Rita J. Benjamin
Parth Bhagat
Armando Brucaj
Mackenzie J. Burns
Nicholas Bustamante
Selena Cholak
Kunal H. Desai
Jeremiah B. Ducusin
Oluwadamilola Adetoun
Fagade
Jon-Michael X.
Grabowski
Mary F. Jaddou
Thomas Jakiela
Oohyung Jang
Claire M. Kendell
Angad S. Khatra
Tala Mahjoub
Ajith R. Manipala
Rachel M. McGue
Grace M. Monette
Brittnee E. Morey
Avaneesh Ojha
Jay B. Patel
Tulsi Patel
Yashodhara V. Patil
Geanna Y. Perera
Hanaa A. Saleh
Laila H. Sareini
Antonio T. Segura
Claire C. Sheppard
Liselle T. Tungol
Faith E. Volpe
Tiffany P. Vu
Garret D. Weaver
Francis C. Wells

Seniors

Humza I. Ali
Abdrhman Almouseli
Ahmad M. Alnajjar
Mustafa Azam
Clayton W. Blackwell
Nicholas R. Boynton
Salar M. Brikho
Ahyoung Cho

Marco Ciavaglia
Song Cui
Melinda T. Dickow
Omar Dlewati
Wiley C. Dressell
Madeline R. Erdman
Michael M.
Fouad Meshriky
Dominique S. Gasso
Charandeep S. Ghotra
Morgan E. Girardi
Brynne L. Gustafson
Fatima C. Hojeij
Kayla E. Hughes
Kellie M. Hurst
Syed D. Hussain
Cameron M. Johns
Nicole Junn
Devon J. Laird
Yuyi Li
Matthew A. Lupsan
Xihan Ma
Jordan N. Manno
Karam M. Marji
Danielle N. Maxwell
Diana L. McMahan
Salahuddin A. Mohamed
Nathaniel R. Nunez
Hershan S. Octain
Mary M. Payne
Courtney M. Pefley
Alice Piatkowski
Salman Saleh
Ila Sayed
John R. Sherwood
Angela M. Shubsda
Zachary R. Smith
Nicholas G. Summerlee
Alicia J. Van Drunen
Victoria A. Warzocha
Sun H. Won
Joseph S. Wu
Kathrine E. Yacoo
Bozhou Zha
Zuchen Zhang
Sandra Zilkovska

Scholar Certificate Awards

Freshmen with 12-31 credit hours and a 3.75 to 3.99 GPA. Sophomores with 32-62 credit hours and a 3.75 to 3.89 GPA. Juniors with 63-94 credit hours and a 3.75 to 3.79 GPA. Seniors with 95 or more credit hours and a 3.75 to 3.79 GPA.

Freshmen

Kenan Brodlic
Christina R. Byk
Samar A. Charara
Claire J. Conway
Nina Dimovich
Kate H. Elson
Jeremy D. Funk
Anuraag V. Ghantasala
Mohammad N. Hadeed
Justine E. Hickey
Abbas M. Hijazi
Jim B. Hwang
Leen H. Issa
Alina Jaafar
Guen Kim
Macallan J. Kizy
Amar Kurjakovic
Karlee J. Lambert
Aneesha Mantripragada
Taryn A. McManus
Jayanth C. Nalluri
Payton S. Norkey
Brendan M. O'Rourke
Judy M. Oska
Bogdan C. Peres
Alana Alyssa T. Ramirez

Ashley M. Rose
Sang Yoon Ryu
Yousif G. Savaya
Dahlia V. Seba
Rayven G. Sheena
Jackson A. Stachelek
Allison R. Sutter
Nathan J. Vinarcik

Sophomores

Harleen K. Bamrah
Victor L. Carpenter
Philip N. Clifton
Selena R. Hindi
Stephanie N. Korte
Colin J. Labuda
Daniel B. Lanfear
Paul C. Manuszak
Ariana Matway
Devin R. Mendez
Suman K. Raghavan
Syed M. Rizvi
Sayf Saleem
Kennedi R. Seals
Olivia Shaw
Tony Sun

Juniors

Zahraa M. Alhabib
Migel E. Dalusung
Ryan E. Katofiasc
Sabrina W. Kesto
Ali Maalhigh Fard
Kimberly L. Rorick
Racha H. Tiba
Gillian J. Toler
Riya Walia

Seniors

Jesse R. Berndt
Sarah I. Buhay
Colleen E. Desrochers
Nicholas A. Dimkovski
Carly R. Fiorido
Elizabeth A. Gonser
Anthony R. Huffman
Jermin M. Joseph
Kayley M. Lazarski
Alexandra M. Skinner

Special Academic Awards

Engineering & Science Recognition

A plaque presented posthumously to the family of a biology student in memory of his affiliation with the University of Detroit Mercy Freshman Class of 2022.

Osman Mohamad

Biology Department Award

Presented to the graduating senior biology major with the highest scholastic standing.

John Sherwood

American Chemical Society Award

Presented to the graduating senior chemistry and biochemistry major having the highest scholastic average in the field of chemistry.

Jordan Manno — B.S. Biochemistry

Nicholas Boynton — B.S. Chemistry

American Institute of Chemists Award

Presented to a graduating chemistry major for scholastic achievement in chemistry.

Jermin Joseph
Danielle Maxwell
Mary Payne

Leon S. Johnston Award

Presented to a graduating senior who has attained the highest academic achievement in his or her mathematics or computer science major. This award honors Leon S. Johnston, professor of mathematics from 1929-55.

John P. Petrykowski

Elihu Geer Scholastic Achievement Award

Awarded to the senior civil or architectural engineering student in the structures/foundation/construction option having the highest GPA.

Ashley Casey

Thomas C. Hanson Scholastic Achievement Award

Awarded to the senior civil or environmental engineering student in the urban-environmental option, having the highest GPA.

Sean Bryan

Felbarth Memorial Award

Presented to the freshman engineering student with the highest grade in engineering graphics who has attained the highest GPA in his or her studies. This award is presented in honor of Professor Wayne Felbarth who mentored students in engineering graphics for 33 years.

Lauren Ross

Pi Tau Sigma

Presented to the full-time mechanical engineering student who has attained the highest GPA during his or her sophomore year.

Ahmad Chalhoub

John J. Uicker Award

Presented to the mechanical engineering student having the highest scholastic standing in upper division courses. John J. Uicker began his career at the College as an instructor in 1941 and rose to professor and acting dean. He retired as professor emeritus in 1973.

Brynne Gustafson

Eta Kappa Nu

Presented to the outstanding sophomore electrical engineering student who has proven himself or herself through high scholastic achievement and personal attributes, worthy of consideration for future membership in Eta Kappa Nu.

Geanna Perera

IEEE Outstanding Senior Award

Awarded to the outstanding senior electrical engineering student who combines high scholastic achievement and personal attributes that embody a passion for the profession.

Yuyi Li

Tau Beta Pi

Presented to the full-time sophomore (second year) engineering student who has attained the highest overall GPA in his or her academic studies.

Joseph Jessop

Cooperative Education Student of the Year 2018

Presented to a student who has completed at least two cooperative education assignments with an overall rating of Outstanding from his or her supervisors and demonstrated mastery of the workplace competencies necessary for professional development.

Paulina Torres-Guzman

College of Business Administration

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Accounting Award

An award presented annually to an outstanding Accounting graduating senior in recognition of outstanding academic achievement.

Undergraduate Student: Shawn R. Spezia

Beta Alpha Psi Certificate

A certificate of merit presented by Beta Alpha Psi (Alpha Xi Chapter) to a graduating senior demonstrating an optimum record of service to the University and high scholastic achievement.

Morgan E. Gleason, Christian C. Kubica, Peter C. Micallef

Beta Alpha Psi Award

A plaque and a certificate of merit given each year by Beta Alpha Psi (Alpha Xi Chapter) to its graduating member who has earned the highest scholastic average in his or her total undergraduate program.

Shawn R. Spezia

Alpha Iota Delta Award

An award given by the Delta Mu Chapter to an outstanding graduating senior and to an outstanding graduate student in Decision Sciences and Information Systems in recognition of academic achievement, commitment to service and ethical and moral standards.

Undergraduate Student: Mark R. Anstead

Graduate Student: Irina I. Slizovskaya

Decision Sciences Award

An award presented annually to an outstanding Decision Sciences graduating senior and to an outstanding Decision Sciences graduate student who demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and show exceptional promise as scholars in this field.

Undergraduate Student: Paola V. Ramirez

Graduate Student: Sarah E. Fioritto

Global Jesuit Business Student Association Achievement Award

This award is given to an undergraduate student and to a graduate student in recognition of their academic achievements and community involvement. Through their personal and professional ventures, these students demonstrate a commitment to enriching their communities and promoting socially responsible organizations.

Undergraduate Student: Morgan E. Gleason

Graduate Student: Alexa F. Yonan

Finance Award

An award presented to an outstanding Finance graduating senior and to an outstanding Finance graduate student who demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and show exceptional promise as scholars in this field.

Undergraduate Student: Paola V. Ramirez

Graduate Student: Lori J. Jacobs

Financial Executives International Award

This award is presented to an outstanding undergraduate student and to an outstanding graduate student in Accounting or Finance. The awardees will have their names inscribed on a plaque and receive recognition at a dinner meeting sponsored by the Detroit chapter of

Financial Executives International.

Undergraduate Student: James W. Solomon

Graduate Student: Spiro J. Pliakos

Business Law Award

An award presented to an outstanding Business Law graduating senior who demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and shows exceptional promise as a scholar in this field.

Natalie A. Vizard

Management Award

An award presented to an outstanding Management graduating senior and to an outstanding Management graduate student who demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and show exceptional promise as scholars in this field.

Undergraduate Student: Natalie A. Vizard

Marketing Award

An award presented to an outstanding Marketing graduating senior and to an outstanding graduate student in Marketing who have demonstrated outstanding scholastic achievement and show exceptional promise as scholars in this field.

Undergraduate Student: Angelo J. Di Ponio

Beta Gamma Sigma Award

An award presented by Beta Gamma Sigma (Beta of Michigan Chapter) to a graduating member in recognition of outstanding academic achievement.

Joseph Snyder

Business Administration Award

A certificate presented annually by the Dean of the College of Business Administration to graduating students in Business Administration in recognition of outstanding academic achievement in the College.

Paola V. Ramirez, Matthew R. Vangalen, Natalie A. Vizard

Dean's Leadership Key

A key given annually to a graduating senior who has demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership and involvement in University-approved co-curricular activities and, at the same time, has maintained overall academic excellence.

Alexa F. Yonan

Dean's Award

A certificate awarded to graduating seniors having an exemplary record of student leadership and service to the College of Business Administration.

Bryan J. Debono, Dohna A. Dudley, Vania I. Noguez

Fitzgerald Award

An award given each year in the name of Dr. Lloyd E. Fitzgerald, who was Dean of the College of Commerce and Finance from 1935-63, to the graduating Business Administration senior designated as having the optimum record of scholarship, student leadership and service to the University.

Nicole G. Gebara

Dr. Lloyd E. Fitzgerald Annual Scholarship

A plaque and a scholarship presented to a non-traditional student who has demonstrated academic excellence in the College of Business Administration. This scholarship is made possible through the generosity and support of the Fitzgerald family.

Tomikann Hatchett

Lawrence Angelilli Scholarship

Larry Angelilli attributes much of his success to the rigors of the MBA program where focus is placed on academic excellence, as well as intellectual, spiritual, ethical and social growth.

His scholarship provides financial support for business students to obtain the same rigorous education.

Ariana M. Stefanovski

Michael G. Baumann Memorial Endowed Scholarship

Named in honor of the late Michael G. Baumann, a noted sommelier and voiceover artist, this scholarship supports business students who demonstrate dedication to the University mission and who have the potential to be advocates for the University upon graduation.

Nicole L. Agrusa

Peyton L. Thomas

Robert B. Jones Memorial Endowed Scholarship

Robert Jones was a firm believer in higher education. A graduate of the College, he served as an engineer and director of the Chrysler Corporation for many years. This scholarship is awarded annually in his honor to a full-time undergraduate or graduate student of the College.

Sarah E. Fioritto

Edward and Christine Sprock Endowed Scholarship

Endowed by alumnus and Executive-in-Residence, Edward Sprock and his wife, Christine, this scholarship supports the integration of academic pursuits with extracurricular activities.

Preference is given to those students concentrating in Accounting or Finance and special consideration is given to students who have completed internships and participated in University extracurricular activities.

Alexa F. Yonan

Dr. Leonard E. Plachta Accounting Scholarship

Named in honor of a former chair of Accounting in the College of Business Administration, the primary focus of this scholarship is to encourage qualified junior, senior or master's degree accounting students who aspire to teach accounting at the collegiate level, to become Ph.Ds.

Shawn R. Spezia

Gary T. MacLean Expendable Scholarship

Established by tax attorney Gary T. MacLean '65, this scholarship provides support for students enrolled in the College of Business Administration, with a preference given to students in the Accounting Program who are in good academic standing.

Luke S. Gumma

Isabella A. Johnson

Maria V. Mcphail

Kinga N. Perkowska

James W. Solomon

Gary T. MacLean Endowed Scholarship

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Joseph V. Lifshay

Kathleen Dul Aznavorian Scholarship

Established by alumna Kathleen Dul Aznavorian, owner of Fox Hills Golf Club as well as Clips & Clamps Industries, this scholarship is awarded to a female Accounting student in good academic standing.

Deanna M. Dickow

Nick and Joan Spiroff Scholarship for Finance Students

Established by Nick and Joan Spiroff, formerly of Ford Motor Company, this scholarship provides assistance for students studying Finance in the College of Business Administration.

Vania I. Noguez

Julia J. Shaw

Phyllis E. Peters Look Scholarship

Firmly believing that education is the key to success, Phyllis E. Peters Look '51 established the Phyllis E. Peters Look Scholarship to provide financial assistance for students studying in the College of Business Administration with preference given to students enrolled in the Accounting Program.

Paola V. Ramirez

Dennis C. and Eileen Drenikowski Scholarship

This scholarship provides financial assistance to students in the College of Business Administration for a student to study business based on Jesuit and Mercy values.

Leslie Desmond

Robert W. Redlin Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship honors the memory of Robert W. Redlin, who contributed to the academic excellence of University of Detroit Mercy as a professor of Accounting from 1970-89. The scholarship provides assistance to deserving undergraduate students specializing in Accounting. It was established by Redlin's family in his honor and in the spirit of assisting students toward the high standard of education that he fostered as a professor.

Mason Kamminga

Rev. Gerald F. Cavanagh, S.J. Endowed Scholarship

Established by University of Detroit Mercy alumni, faculty and friends to honor a world-renown scholar of business ethics, the Rev. Gerald F. Cavanagh, S.J., Endowed Scholarship provides support for an undergraduate business major who engages in the most meaningful service-learning experiences.

Mohamed Kazbour

Joseph and Margaret Kloka Endowed Scholarship

Appreciating the practical application of education, Joe and Margie Kloka established this scholarship to provide financial assistance to students studying in the College of Business Administration and the College of Engineering & Science because these disciplines embody this idea.

Rebecca L. Fisher

Patrick J. Freeman Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Patrick J. Freeman '67 by his company, Deloitte & Touche, formerly the Haskins & Sells Foundation. The scholarship provides support for students studying in the College of Business Administration.

Andrew L. Baranski

Thomas F. Russell Endowed Scholarship

This scholarship was established with an estate gift from Thomas F. Russell '48, former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Federal-Mogul Corporation. After retiring from Federal Mogul, Russell served as Chairman of Cross & Trecker and St. John Hospital & Medical Center.

Emily A. Rapp

Emerging Leaders Program (ELP) Leadership Pin and Leadership Medallion

The ELP is designed to educate, engage, and empower all Detroit Mercy students. Using the Social Change model, the ELP offers the opportunity to explore student leadership potential and abilities through involvement in programs, events, and activities that include learning, leadership, spirituality, and service on and off campus.

Leadership Pin Award Candidates

Ongoing involvement in student organizations, spirituality workshops, leadership workshops, and 125 hours of community service.

Taylor Curry – Business Administration** and Spanish Language Certificate

Bryan Debono – Business Administration and Psychology**

Nicole Gebara – Business Administration** and Psychology Minor

Vania Noguez – Business Administration and Philosophy Minor

Pauline Van Herck – Business Administration** and Political Science Minor

Leadership Medallion Award Recipients

These students have met the requirements of the Leadership Pin and have additional involvement in student organizations, spirituality retreats, completed leadership coursework and 250 hours of community service.

Taylor Curry – Business Administration** and Spanish Language Certificate

Honor Societies

The College of Business Administration will induct honorees into Alpha Iota Delta, Beta Alpha Psi, Beta Gamma Sigma and the Global Jesuit Business Student Association on Sunday, March 31, 2019.

Alpha Iota Delta

The purposes of Alpha Iota Delta are to confer distinction for academic excellence in the decision sciences and computer information systems; promote the infusion of the functional and behavioral areas of administration with the tools, concepts and methodologies of the decision sciences and computer information systems; and promote professional fellowship among students, faculty and administrators who share a common interest in the development of decision sciences and computer information systems.

Beta Alpha Psi

Beta Alpha Psi is a scholastic and professional society dedicated to the advancement of the financial information professions. The purposes of Beta Alpha Psi and the Alpha Xi Chapter at University of Detroit Mercy are to instill a desire for self-improvement, to foster high moral and ethical standards, to encourage and give recognition to scholastic and professional excellence, to cultivate a sense of responsibility and service, to promote the collegiate study of financial information and to provide for its members opportunities to associate with practicing professionals.

Beta Gamma Sigma

Beta Gamma Sigma – the International Scholastic Honor Society for Business – was founded in 1913. Membership in Beta Gamma Sigma, which is based on competitive academic standards, represents the highest international recognition that a student in the field of Business can achieve. The mission of Beta Gamma Sigma is to encourage and honor high academic achievement and personal excellence in the study and practice of business.

Global Jesuit Business Student Association

The mission of GJBSA is to recognize the academic achievements and community involvement of students attending Jesuit business schools worldwide. Through their personal and professional ventures, our members are committed to enriching the communities in which they live and work as well as establishing the benchmark for socially responsible organizations. The purposes of the St. Ignatius Chapter of the GJBSA are to confer distinction for academic excellence upon students attending Jesuit business schools and to encourage their pursuit of lifelong education, to acknowledge and promote a spirit of community involvement among its members, to promote and encourage ethical and socially responsible business practices among its members and in the global business community and to act as a catalyst for the advancement of business thought and theory.

Dean's Honor Certificate

A certificate presented annually by the Dean of the College of Business Administration to Business Administration undergraduate students who have earned at least a 3.5 cumulative grade-point-average for all previous work taken at University of Detroit Mercy.

Freshmen

**Anne Elizabeth A.
Acho-Tartoni
Maria C. Baker
Peyton C. Bixby
Bennett J. Brooks
Laura A. Burdinie
Alexander M. Fisher
Zachary Funk
Ryan P. Halloran
James M. Hill
Asima K. Hussain
Isabella A. Johnson
Cecilia J. Mende
Raisa N. Mobarrod
Allahrah R. Muhammad
Maxwell B. Payton
Diego P. Peralta
Kinga N. Perkowska
Grant M. Petrucci
Bryce T. Ruhl
Anastasiya Yazlyuk
Joseph K. Zaitouna**

Sophomores

**Benjamin C.
Al-Gharabally
Kyle P. Bandyk
Joseph Berishaj
Jason C. Blackwell
Joseph R. Duprey
Kristina N. Ellis
Declan P. Flynn
Paul R. Formosa
Elle A. Greenlee
Natalie B. Holthus
Daniel M. Iyok
Mason Kamminga**

Zachary J. Kennedy

**Renitta N. Knight
Alyssa K. Lang
Joseph V. Lifshay
Gabrielle R. Louwers
Vincent F. Micallef
Mohamad Miri
Oliver-Ensley G. Nigh
Demetri G. Pliakos
Jacob J. Poorman
DiaMond A. Sewell
Meena W. Younan**

Juniors

**Nicole L. Agrusa
Andrew L. Baranski
Zenzo M. Beresford
Deanna M. Dickow
Regan L. Glenn
Meghan E. Godell
Maranda M. Hall
Marie Maitrot
Alexia C. Mantzopoulos
Andrew J. Marchetti
Maria V. Mcphail
Leena Mortensen
Robert J. Reitzloff
Matthew J. Rimle
Julia J. Shaw
Peyton L. Thomas
John M. Turner
Mark A. Wenderski**

Seniors

**Alexander L. Akins
Mark R. Anstead
Connor J. Bennardo
Hector E. Castiglioni
Bryan J. Debono
Leslie Desmond
Angelo J. Di Ponio
Dohna A. Dudley
Nicole G. Gebara
Morgan E. Gleason
Emmett M. Green
Samuel D. Horton
Molly R. Kane
Mohamed Kazbour
Michael C. Kostuch
Christian C. Kubica
Kathleen M. Lyons
Lemar Maschuq
Alexandra C. McCafferty
Peter C. Micallef
Mallory A. Miller
Vania I. Noguez
Nicole J. Ostrovsky
Kendall E. Payne
Paola V. Ramirez
Emily A. Rapp
Olivia T. Rapp
Darryn M. Salter
James W. Solomon
Shawn R. Spezia
Michael V. Tartaglia
Iris Thioux
Sofia M. Tomasic
Pauline Van Herck
Matthew R. Vangalen
Natalie A. Vizard
Alexa F. Yonan**

The Honors Program at University of Detroit Mercy

The Honors Program at Detroit Mercy serves the College of Business Administration, Engineering & Science, Liberal Arts & Education and the School of Architecture. The program strives to integrate the intellectual, spiritual, ethical and social development of its members by fostering a community of scholarly excellence, encouraging exploration of the larger world beyond the classroom and promoting compassionate service to society at large and to persons in need. Students graduating from The Honors Program may graduate as Presidential Scholars, Honors Scholars Cum Laude or Honors Scholars.

Honor Scholars Cum Laude

Students who have completed The Honors Program curriculum, volunteered a minimum of 100 hours of community service and achieved a minimum GPA of 3.5.

Bryan J. Debono

Kappa Gamma Pi

Membership in Kappa Gamma Pi, the national Catholic college graduate Honor Society, is awarded to students whose lives exemplify excellence in leadership, scholarship, faith and service.

Kathleen M. Lyons

College of Health Professions & McAuley School of Nursing 1941

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Mallory Dapprich – Nursing**

Jena Fear – Nursing**

Maya Ghandour – Nursing**

Jamie Hetzel – Nursing**

James Hogg – Nursing**

Kori Keyes – Nursing**

Vanessa Lee – Nursing**

Cassidy Lombardi – Nursing**

Julianne Paul – Nursing**

Alisa Smith – Nursing**

Shelby Somes – Nursing**

Angel Thymalil – Nursing**

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**Students minoring in Leadership

Health Services Administration

Chairperson's Award

The Chairperson's Award goes to two graduating students one from the University Center Macomb Campus and one from the McNichols Campus, who have the highest GPAs in their graduating class.

Emily Robertson — Macomb **Nella Lumaj** — McNichols

Sister Mary Kelly Award for Outstanding Community Service

Sister Mary Kelly was a beloved faculty in the HSA department, and a role model for compassion, helping others and striving to make the world a better place. The Sister Mary Kelly Award for outstanding community service honor an undergraduate HSA student who demonstrates her ideals, and has made significant contributions to the community.

Eduina Basho

Internship Award

This award is given in recognition of outstanding accomplishments at the internship site.

Emily Robertson

Health Information Management

Chairperson's Award

This award is given to the Health Information Management student with the highest overall grade point average.

Samuel Yusuf

Honors Awards

This award is given to honor the Health Information Management student majoring in HIM and minoring in Leadership and maintaining a qualifying grade point average.

Lundrell Johnson

McAuley School of Nursing

Martina Kuechle Nursing Scholarship Award

This scholarship is in memory of Martina Kuechle who served as the director of academic affairs in the College of Health Professions from 1990-2008. Always willing to go the extra mile to provide individualized attention, Marty was exceptional at recruiting and advising students. Her selfless generosity, hard work and dedication to students and colleagues at Detroit Mercy are legendary. Throughout Marty's many years of service with Detroit Mercy, her warm and welcoming manner with everyone demonstrated her commitment to the University and the College of Health Professions. This \$2,000 scholarship is awarded to an individual in the traditional, pre-licensure Nursing program who demonstrates a dedication to the nursing profession, participates in extracurricular activities, collaborates with a wide variety of individuals, maintains good academic standing and exemplifies Martina Kuechle's propensity to go above and beyond in everything she did.

Brandon Tatar

Mercy Heritage Scholarship Award

The Mercy Heritage Scholarship is awarded to a full-time sophomore, junior or senior Nursing student with outstanding academic achievement demonstrating dedication to the nursing profession and service to the community.

Natalie Carlson

Academic Excellence

Presented to the graduating undergraduate full-time students with the highest GPA.

Prelicensure Program

Ashley Mauser — Detroit **Peter Assenmacher** — Grand Rapids

Summative Leadership Awards

Selected by faculty and awarded to the student who exemplifies the mission of the University and the McAuley School of Nursing through excellence in academics, leadership in clinical practice and community service. The awards are named for esteemed leaders in professional nursing education and practice.

Catherine McAuley Award

Prelicensure Program

Vanessa Lee — Detroit **Arabelle Rinvelt** — Grand Rapids

Sister Margaret Mary Birchmeier, OP, Award

Ann-Marie Goddard — Grand Rapids

Theresa Noth Award

The Second Degree Option Program features the Noth Award, given to a student nominated by peers. These future nurses choose a colleague that best exemplifies qualities Sister Theresa Noth was known for — professionalism, caring, selflessness, and leadership. Sister Teresa Noth accomplished many things in her career in nursing education. One of those accomplishments has made it possible for people with college degrees to attain a second degree in nursing at an accelerated pace. As the Dean of Saint Louis University, she established what is thought to be the first accelerated SDO nursing program in the early 1970s.

Hawo Nur – Fall 2018

Michael Berry – Winter 2019

Graduate Nursing Awards

Awards for Academic Excellence

Presented to the graduate in each program who has demonstrated academic excellence throughout the program and achieved the highest GPA in the class.

Family Nurse Practitioner: **Kaitlyn Kus, Brittany Powell**

Health Systems Management: **Donna Summers**

Nursing Education/Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist: **Rachel Orfei**

Dean's Scholar Award — Undergraduate

In recognition of scholastic achievement with a cumulative GPA of 3.75
for a minimum of 30 credit hours of undergraduate course work completed at Detroit Mercy
while earning first undergraduate degree.

Hoda Alkhoudr
Peter Assenmacher
Marisa Balsamo
Lauren Barczak
Eduina Basho
Kayla Burrows
Natalie Carlson
Kennidy Cornelius
Mallory Dapprich
Kelly DeBiase
Jessica Demulder
Elizabeth Ervin
Lucia Gibson
Julia Halkey
Brianne Hall
Katelyn Henry

Jamie Hetzel
Erica Hunt
Lena Huynh
Kori Keyes
Emily Koski
Katie Kreucher
Julia LaVoie
Vanessa Lee
Thomas Lewis
Nella Lumaj
Devin Mahoney
Sophia Mapes
Ashley Mauser
Sarah Odeh
Suzanne Osinski
Sydney Owczarzak

Megan Pace
Kaitlynn Prewitt
Maria Purcell
Isabella Rabideau
Fatema Rachid
Jenna Rachwal
Emily Robertson
Emily Rolf
Cassidy Saurini
Kafayat Shinaba
Maria Tenuta
Erica Tessmer
Emily Traub
Alyssa Vitale
Elizabeth Yager
Harper Young-Whitman
Samuel Yusuf