



LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

29th Annual Student Life

Leadership Awards Recipients

April 24, 2014

Contribution to Student Life Award

This award recognizes first-, second-, and third-year students who have significantly contributed to improving the quality of student life during their time at Lehigh. Criteria include good academic standing and specific contributions to student life through involvement in campus activities, academic initiatives, student governance, community service, leadership and their pursuits to support and empower their peers.

Award Recipients: Ashley L. Blanks, Kimberly S. Boylan, Eryne L. Boyle, Simone G. Cotton, Abigail M. Farrell, Katherine T. Fletcher, Sara H. Green, Danielle M. Hanes, Brandi R. Hawkins, Wade G. Homer, Kevin Jaramillo, Ralph M. Jean-Noel, Christian J. Naunay, Elizabeth Pines, Madeleine J. Smith, Alexandra J. Stephanou, Shannon E. Varcoe, Katherine M. Walters

James J. Duane III Student Life Leadership Award

This award is given to seniors in recognition of extraordinary performance as a student leader at Lehigh University. The following areas are used as a basis for evaluating outstanding performance: overall impact on Lehigh students, program development and implementation, bridging cultural differences, and student governance by taking a role to improve student, faculty and staff interactions.

Award Recipients: Brooke S. Astor, Andrew E. Callahan, Teresa A. Chamberlain, Kyle A. Ferdinando, Alexandra Fitzpatrick, Dalisbeth A. Galvez, Briana E. Gardell, Jonathan T. Glick, Sarah A. Glickstein, Murphee P. Greeley, Taylor N. Hampshire, Tiffany M. Kuperschmidt, Carolina E. Mattsson, Nigel M. Muhammad, Jacob J. Silber, Kaitlin R. Slattery, Jillian K. Sloand, Stephanie M. Snider, Alexandra J. Yantzi

Graduate Student Life Leadership Award

Established by the Office of Graduate Student Life in 2004, this award recognizes outstanding graduate student leaders who have shown exemplary scholarship, leadership, and service to the Lehigh graduate student community.

Award Recipients: Joe Brague, Joyita Bhadra, Yousef Jalali

Outstanding Educational Programming Award

This award acknowledges an educational program, conceptualized and implemented by students, that has made a positive impact on members of the Lehigh community.

Award Recipient: Eco-Reps

Excellence in Entertainment Programming Award

This award recognizes a program whose primary purpose was to provide an engaging entertainment opportunity on campus for the entire Lehigh community.

Award Recipient: UP Halloween Festival

Exemplary Cultural Programming Award

This award honors a cultural program that embodies the ideal that all cultures should be celebrated, honored and embraced within the Lehigh community.

Award Recipient: Strive for Excellence Awards

Student Club/Organization of the Year Award

This award recognizes the club or organization that has been the most active on campus throughout the academic year and has pursued to the highest degree their overall purpose as a club.

Award Recipients: From Beneath the Rug and LU Dance Marathon

Student Club/Organization Advisor of the Year Award

This award recognizes an advisor who has made a significant contribution to the student organization with which he or she works. The recipient of this award is an advisor who serves in this role outside of his or her primary job responsibilities and who provides support, guidance, and mentoring to the organization in an effort to empower its members to effectively lead and self-govern.

Award Recipients: Parveen P. Gupta, Accounting Club and James E. Roberts, Alpha Phi Omega

Student Senate Leadership Award

The Student Senate established the Leadership Award so recognition may be given to Juniors or Seniors who exhibit outstanding leadership skills in any aspect of student life such as Student Government, Student Organizations, or Athletics.

Award Recipients: Alexandria M. Kennedy and Tiffany M. Kuperschmidt

Residence Hall Association Character Award

This award recognizes a student who has worked to improve student life at Lehigh in the areas of Residential Services or Residence Life. This award is intended for that student who truly makes an exceptional difference in student life at Lehigh, making decisions for the betterment of the University, not solely for personal gain.

Award Recipient: Leah C. Paulson

Ujima Award

“Ujima” is the third principle of Kwanzaa and means “collective work and responsibility.” This award recognizes a student who has taken responsibility for and worked collectively with others to create a more inclusive campus community.

Award Recipient: Ralph M. Jean-Noel

Service Above Self Award

This award recognizes those students or student organizations who best exemplify the quality of care, concern, and/or advocacy for others through their participation in and/or coordination of volunteer and service activities.

Award Recipients: Erinn R. Bonshak, Brianna M. Buysse, Lambda Sigma Upsilon

Allegiance Award

This award is presented to seniors in recognition of their dedication and continuous improvement focused within a specific organization. Outstanding performance in this area includes: the senior’s impact on the organization, being an organizational member for a substantial portion of their time at Lehigh, serving in a variety of roles within the organization, and being instrumental in overall organizational management such as visioning, goal setting and yearly transition for the organization.

Award Recipients: Alexander H. Azero, Mary L. Brune, Alexandra Fitzpatrick

Alumni Association Undergraduate & Graduate Merit Awards

The recipients of the Undergraduate & Graduate Merit Awards shall be members of the graduating class or graduate students, respectively, who by exemplary character, personality, scholarship, and participation in extra-curricular activities, represent the highest traditions of Lehigh University.

Undergraduate Award Recipients: Bowman B. Johns, Nadia M. Krook, Tyler C. Mueller

Graduate Award Recipient: Qi Li

Deborah Pearsall Prize

The Deborah Pearsall Prize is awarded annually to the female undergraduate student who best exemplifies the attributes that Deborah Pearsall ’12 embodied throughout her life: engaged leadership, inexhaustible optimistic attitude about challenges and opportunities, a “can do” spirit combined with action, integrity, courage, honesty, fairness, advocacy, enthusiasm, and a commitment to “do the right thing” regardless of whether it is the popular choice.

Award Recipient: Alexandra J. Yantzi

Bosey Reiter Leadership Cup

Selection shall be guided by the following considerations:

1. The leadership shall be such as to contribute primarily to the best interest of the University.
2. Leadership shall be defined chiefly in terms of moral character and the definition of character shall be Theodore Roosevelt’s:

“Resolution, courage, energy, power of self control, combined with the fearlessness in taking the initiative and assuming responsibility; a just regard for the rights of others, together with unflinching determination to succeed, no matter what obstacles and barriers have to be beaten down.... There is, moreover, one quality too often wholly lacking in men of high intellectual ability, without which real character cannot exist--namely, the fundamental gift of common sense.”

Award Recipients: Kyle A. Ferdinando and Jillian K. Sloand

University Service Award

The intention of the University Service Award is to honor the senior whose influence, ideals and activities have been devoted unselfishly to serve the best interests of his or her Alma Mater and fellow students. It is not so much a measure of the number of activities in which a student has participated or of the prominence of the student’s leadership activities as it is a measure of their devotion to the groups in which they have accepted leadership responsibilities. It is not so much a measure of the extensiveness of a student’s campus activities as it is a measure of the unselfishness with which he or she has given of their time and effort to make those activities serve their fellow students.

Award Recipients: Sarah A. Glickstein and Edward “Jake” Puzycki





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Highlighted Awards

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Office of Multicultural Affairs Awards Banquet: *Most Changed Award*

Award Recipients: Hung Do and Niomi Sterling

Office of Student Leadership Development Recognition Banquet: *Catalyst for Social Change Award*

Awarded to one member of the OSLD who exemplifies the Social Change Model: This model emphasizes the need to understand self and others in an effort to create community change. It is less about the leader and more about the leadership community. The values of equity, social justice, self-knowledge, personal empowerment, collaboration, citizenship, and service are explicitly promoted. CHANGE, of course, is the final tenet.

Award Recipient: Josh Parris

Office of Student Leadership Development Recognition Banquet: *Servant Leadership Award*

Consistent with Robert Greenleaf's definition of servant leadership, this is awarded to an individual who "is servant first." A servant leader puts the needs of others first and helps people develop and perform as highly as possible.

Award Recipient: Kerry Mallett

Office of Student Leadership Development Recognition Banquet: *Transformational Leadership Award*

Awarded to one member of the OSLD that exemplifies transformational leadership and the four elements of the model: individualized consideration, intellectual stimulation, inspirational motivation and idealized influence.

Award Recipient: Madeleine Smith

Strive for Excellence Awards Banquet: *Rising Star Award*

This award is presented to first- or second-year students who have exhibited significant promise and improvement as a student leader on Lehigh's Campus.

Award Recipient: Frederick Coleman, Kevin Jaramillo, and Karen Valerio

Strive for Excellence Awards Banquet: *Ralph Albert Thomas '76 Leadership Award*

This award is given to a graduating senior who has demonstrated tremendous achievement in his or her academic, personal, and co-curricular involvement. Moreover, the recipient will have had a significant impact on the quality of life of other Lehigh students.

Award Recipient: Nigel Muhammad

Strive for Excellence Awards Banquet: *Strive for Excellence Award*

This award is presented to two students who have exhibited qualities of inspiring leaders. These students should have a 3.0 GPA and the ability to communicate their passion, purpose and meaning to others, to help establish the inspirational culture of the Black and Hispanic communities. They should be highly involved in the Lehigh community and the surrounding area.

Award Recipients: Liz Pines and MyTresa Taylor

Volunteer Recognition Banquet: *Brian J. Lime Award*

This award is given to a student who demonstrates the traits exemplified by Brian J. Lime. This recipient leads by humble, consistent, selfless service, while always having a smile, a positive attitude and inextinguishable desire to serve, which in turn inspires and warms others around them.

Award Recipients: Rob Suerth

Volunteer Recognition Banquet: *Giving Tree Award*

The most prestigious form of volunteer recognition, this honor is given to any student, faculty, or staff member or group who demonstrates exceptional, unparalleled service to promote transformation and change.

Award Recipient: Kappa Sigma

Greek Awards Banquet: *Emerging Greek Leader Award*

Awarded to a newer member of each council who has shown leadership characteristics within their peer group and chapter; based on dedication to values, the fraternity and sorority community and academic excellence.

Award Recipients: J.J. O'Brien, Phi Delta Theta; Rachel Sholder, Alpha Gamma Delta and Christian Naunay, Lambda Sigma Upsilon

Greek Awards Banquet: *Greek Man and Greek Woman of the Year Award*

Awarded to one member of the Interfraternity, Panhellenic or Multicultural Greek Councils who best exemplifies the values of strong character, service, leadership, scholarly achievements, and interfraternalism. Winners of this award have made significant contributions to the advancement of Lehigh's fraternity and sorority community.

Award Recipient: Ryan Newcomer, Phi Sigma Kappa and Kaitlin Slattery, Alpha Phi