ACADEMIC AWARD CEREMONY PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2020

WELCOME: **Dr. Bruce Murphy**
President of Centenary University

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: **Dr. Amy D'Olivo**
Vice President for Academic Affairs,
Chief Academic Officer

AWARDS & RECIPIENTS:

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT AWARDS:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN BUSINESS AWARD

This year, the Business Department recognizes the recipient of the New Jersey Collegiate Business Administration Association Honor Society (NJCBAA) award which was established by the Deans of the Colleges of Business at two-year and four-year colleges within New Jersey, and recognizes the very highest academic achievement of undergraduate business students. Only the top 1% of students at their respective colleges have been extended an invitation to join this Honor Society.

Meghan Frederick

SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING INNOVATOR AWARD

This award is given to a returning student who has shown initiative in applying insight and skills to complete social media projects and exemplary creativity in execution. (This award is given to a student who may have Social Media Marketing as a Minor or the BSBA concentration or the Certificate).

Sara Schaarschmidt

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COMMUNICATION, WRITING, & DESIGN DEPARTMENT AWARD:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN WRITING AWARD

This award recognizes an outstanding upperclassman who demonstrates passion for and excellence in writing and contributes substantially to the writing programs on campus.

Victoria Manzi

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE, LAW AND GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT AWARDS:

CENTENARY UNIVERSITY CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award is made possible by the generous donations from members of Centenary University's Criminal Justice Department. The award was created in memory of Nicholas J. Magos, Sr., Deputy Chief of Detectives, Somerset County Prosecutor's Office and graduate of Centenary University, Class of 2006. This award is given to the graduating senior who is majoring in Criminal Justice or Sociology: concentration in Criminal Justice; who has attained the highest overall GPA; has demonstrated involvement and leadership in the Criminal Justice program; and has demonstrated intent to seek employment within the Criminal Justice system; or continue on to Criminal Justice graduate studies upon graduation. Additionally, the recipient must have a clean academic and student record and may be full-time, part-time, or transfer student.

Amanda Baker

Megan Marino

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AWARD

This award is presented to students with the highest GPA who also demonstrate excellent academic performance in Political and Governmental Affairs studies.

Amanda Baker

Megan Marino

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EQUINE STUDIES DEPARTMENT AWARDS:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN EQUINE STUDIES – SOPHOMORE OR JUNIOR

This award is presented to an accomplished sophomore or junior level equestrian student who has achieved the highest GPA in Equine Studies.

Payton Lawrence

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN EQUINE STUDIES – SENIOR

This award is presented to an accomplished senior level equestrian student who has achieved the highest level in Equine Studies.

Danielle Ferriola

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FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT AWARD:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN THEATRE AWARD

This award is presented to the Theatre Student who has been deemed to make an outstanding contribution to the Theatre program in the preparation and presentation public performances while maintaining academic excellence.

Anna Summitt

THE JANE BARBARA THOMAS SCHOLARSHIP IN FASHION

Established in 1978 by Mr. and Mrs. Grady Thomas in memory of their Daughter, Jane Barbara Thomas, Class of 1940, is awarded to an outstanding student in fashion and an outstanding student in merchandising. One is given for merchandising and one for design both based on a combination of GPA and contribution to the program.

Nakiya Black

Kora Milligan

THE RAYMOND SLOAN SCHOLARSHIP IN THE ARTS

Established in 1982 by Dr. Harold Sloan, this is awarded to one outstanding returning full-time student in Art and Design and one outstanding full-time student in the Graphic Design Program, who have demonstrated high scholarship in conjunction with a strong interest in the arts.

Gianna Morano

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HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT AWARDS:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN ENGLISH - FIRST OR SECOND YEAR AWARD

This award is presented to a first or second-year student who has demonstrated great promise in the field of English studies and has shown an affinity towards critical thinking and imaginative writing.

Adrianna Alongi

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN ENGLISH - THIRD OR FOURTH YEAR AWARD

This award is presented to an upper-class student who has consistently demonstrated integrity and leadership, has excelled in research, has shown a true love for literature, and has contributed to the life of the department in unique and outstanding ways.

James Vespoli

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN HISTORY – FIRST OR SECOND YEAR AWARD

This award is presented to students who demonstrate excellent academic performance in History Studies.

Kyle Hrebenak

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN HISTORY – THIRD OR FOURTH YEAR AWARD

Jordan Kracht

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SCIENCE DEPARTMENT AWARDS:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN SCIENCE – SECOND OR THIRD YEAR AWARD

This prize is presented to a sophomore or a junior student who demonstrates academic excellence, and makes outstanding contributions to the science programs at Centenary. The recipient is selected by the Science Department faculty.

Pier Semanchik

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN SCIENCE – FOURTH YEAR AWARD

This prize presented to a graduating senior student who demonstrates academic excellence, and makes outstanding contributions to the science programs at Centenary. The recipient is selected by the Science Department faculty.

Victoria Cattano

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SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT AWARDS:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN PSYCHOLOGY

This award is presented to a freshman or sophomore who exemplifies the highest proficiency in psychology.

Keeley McGregor

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN SOCIOLOGY

This award is presented to the student with the highest GPA who also demonstrates cultural competence, respects the opinions of others, and engages in opportunities, both in and outside of the classroom that allow the students to apply professional and discipline specific skills.

Krista Cooper

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN SOCIAL WORK

This award is presented to students who demonstrate excellent academic performance in Social Work Studies.

Christian Mejia

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NON-DEPARTMENT SPECIFIC AWARD:

RICHARD A. DENNIS SCHOLARSHIP

The Richard A. Dennis Endowed Scholarship is made possible by the generous donations from his wife, Anne Dennis, colleagues, and friends in honor of Mr. Dennis' commitment and service to career, family, community, and education. Mr. Dennis served on the university's Board of Trustees from 1983 until 1988. The purpose of this scholarship is to recognize an academically promising second-year Centenary University student. The recipient is selected by the Director of First Year Programs with approval from the Vice President for Enrollment Services and the Director Financial Aid.

Brianna Soule

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