

COLLEGE OF BEHAVIORAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES



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ANNUAL ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

3:00 p.m. • Student Union Ballroom

Reception: 2:30–3:00 p.m. • Ceremony: 3:00–4:00 p.m.

College of Behavioral and Health Sciences Annual Academic Awards Ceremony

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Follow-up Reception: 4:00–4:30 p.m.

Student Union Building Ballroom

Greetings Dr. Harold D. Whiteside
Dean, College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Presentation of Awards Department Representatives and Scholarship Donors

Awards Committee

College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Harold D. Whiteside, Dean
Scott Colclough, Interim Associate Dean
Brelinda Johnson, Advising Manager
Bea Perdue, Development Director
Linda Hall, Administrative Coordinator

Criminal Justice Administration

Lance Selva, Interim Chair
Shelly Higdon, Executive Aide

Health And Human Performance

Doug Winborn, Interim Chair
Kathy King, Executive Aide
Eileen Chalmers, Graduate Analyst
Missy Mullins, Account Clerk

Human Sciences

Deborah Belcher, Chair
Avonda Johnston, Executive Aide
Melissa Brewington, Technical Clerk

Psychology

Greg Schmidt, Chair
CoTonya Malone, Executive Aide
Karen Nunley, Executive Aide, Graduate Program
Cindy Howell, Secretary

Social Work

Rebecca Smith, Chair
Dian White, Executive Aide

2016 Senior Honor Students

(scholastic average 3.75–4.0)

Criminal Justice Administration Presented by *Dr. Lance Selva, Interim Department Chair*

Brandon R. Baker	Amber D. Hickman	Kevin D. Vance
Kelly M. Beeler	Emily P. Scruggs	Randall C. Ward
Robert K. Chambers	Derquazia D. Smartt	

Health and Human Performance..... Presented by *Dr. Doug Winborn, Interim Department Chair*

Julia D. Adamowicz	Brianna D. Jasenak	Faith E. Rose
Sarah N. Anderson	Andrew C. Jordan	Benjamin R. Sanderson
Reginald Arthur	Emily B. Knox	Ashlee F. Searer
Ashley N. Barksdale	Amy N. Mashburn	Nolan G. Sexton
Benjamin E. Bearden	Zachary W. Mathis	Cameron P. Shelton
Samantha N. Bowling	Meghan A. McGee	Jonathan G. Ullrich
Allison M. Burrows	Matthew G. Myers	Shane W. VanSchaick
Joseph A. Clinard	Rachel L. Nokes	Elizabeth A. Willis
Samantha K. Dorsey	Meagan G. Pavol	Samuel B. Wright
Lindsay G. Draper	Bradley G. Ponder	
Lyudmila A. Forostyanaya	Lauren A. Riddell	

Human Sciences..... Presented by *Ms. Deborah Belcher, Department Chair*

Sana H. Aldhumayri	Mary K. Harrell	Laura L. Richmond
Synthia J. Bouldin	Shannon J. Harris	Victoria P. Roach
Stacey M. Bryant	Mihad A. Mahdi	Mabel Rodriguez
Joyce I. Carbaugh	Mary M. Maxey	Megan E. Sager
Molly J. Curtis	Rebekah I. Miller	Morgan R. Sager
Tania J. Davila	Jennifer Palevo	Taylor M. Slay
Mary G. Farone	Lindsey C. Pierce	Bernard H. Voor IV
Rachel B. Forshee	Regina M. Piercy	Brianna M. Werner
Miranda J. Fulmer	Nausheen Qureshi	

Psychology..... Presented by *Dr. Greg Schmidt, Department Chair*

Christopher R. Bearden	Elizabeth R. Easter	Mattie L. Pickard
James A. Boehm	Katie C. Egli	Victor L. Pigg
Kayla K. Carden	Lucas B. Griffith	Maria Saavedra Chacon
Dustin T. Coker	Jessica K. Hargrove	Cameron C. Stamps
Kendra L. Crowe	Andrew S. Heim	Leonard H. Taylor
David T. Cunningham	Mary E. Kinsman	Jay Bailey G. Voorhies
Morgan D. Cunningham	Kyle J. Lull	Mark A. Warner
Fran C. Curtis	Marcella L. McBride	Jeeun Yi
Kelee N. Dawson	Jessie M. McClure	
Sarah J. DeHarde	Andrea C. Meggison	

Social Work..... Presented by *Dr. Rebecca Smith, Department Chair*

Katherine E. Barber	Alana N. Burns	Bethany R. Hauth
Melinda Bates	Stephanie R. Elliott	Allison B. Perryman

Scholarships and Awards

University-Wide Leadership Award: The President's Award

The President's Award is the most prestigious award given to a student of Middle Tennessee State University. The student who wins this award must exemplify superior character and honor and have made achievements that, ideally, all students should strive to meet. This undergraduate student will have completed at least 90 credit hours, have a minimum 3.0 GPA, be recognized as a campus leader, and have made significant contributions to the University community.

Recipient Ms. Lindsey Pierce, Child Development and Family Studies major,
Presented by Dr. Sidney A. McPhee, Department of Human Sciences
President, Middle Tennessee State University

Scholars Week Awards

Outstanding Poster Presentations
Presented by Dr. Tom Brinthaup

Graduate Students

First Prize (tie) Angela Bowman, Health and Human Performance
*Determinants of Adoption of the SHEP Guidelines for Health Services
Delivery in Ghanaian Primary and Secondary Schools*
Sarah Murfree, Health and Human Performance
*A Goal-Oriented Evaluation of the Family Medicine
Residency Program at the Saint Louise Clinic*

Second Prize (tie) Megan Wertheimer, Psychology
Mapping Predictors of Team Performance
Marquinta Harvey, Health and Human Performance
Malondria Hooker, Health and Human Performance
Nicole Leblanc, Political Science
The Effect of Grassroots Social Media Organizations on the Syrian Refugee Crisis

Third Prize Andrew Hunt, Psychology
Theresa Holcomb, Psychology
Passive Acquisition of Misinformation through Social Media Posts and Comments

Undergraduate Students

First Prize Miranda Givens, Health and Human Performance
*The Relationship Between Age of Initiation of Cigarettes and
Substance Abuse Among Tennessee High School Students*

Second Prize Sana Marie Wilson, Social Work
*More Missing: Expanding Content Analysis in Social Work
Journals to Include Non-Binary Orientations and Gender Identities*

Third Prize Stacy Edwards, Human Sciences
Lita Clark, Human Sciences
*Evaluating the Acceptance of an Original Layered Taco Recipe to
Elementary Students While Adhering to the School Nutrition Guidelines*

College of Behavioral and Health Science Scholarships

William and Peggy Harrell ScholarshipKatherine Barber, Joseph (Max) Davis, Julie Gregory,
Presenter: Dr. Jenny Sauls, Director, School of Nursing Brianne Knight, Tressie Scott

William and Peggy Harrell ScholarshipMegan Sager
Presenter: Ms. Deborah Belcher, Chair, Human Sciences Department

William and Peggy Harrell Scholarship Natalee Wright
Presenter: Dr. Greg Schmidt, Chair, Psychology Department

Wright Travel Scholarship.....Mary Grace Farone
Presented by: Ms. Brelinda Johnson, Advising Manager, Faith Metcalf
College of Behavioral and Health Sciences Tia Pride

Departmental Scholarships

Criminal Justice Administration

Tennessee Juvenile Court Services Association ScholarshipZabdielys Mikasobe
Presented by Ms. Elizabeth Osborne, Tennessee Juvenile Court Services Association, Board of Trustees (Past President)

RBJ Campbelle Jr. ScholarshipAmber Hickman
Presented by Dr. Lance Selva Reese Osborne

Frank Lee Criminal Justice ScholarshipMelody Hicks
Presented by Dr. Lance Selva Jessica Smith

Dennis D. Powell Criminal Justice Scholarship.....Savannah Faith Hill
Presented by Dr. Lance Selva

Health and Human Performance

Buleah Davis Scholarship Ashanti Holder
Presented by Dr. Helen Binkley

Glen P. Reeder Honor Scholarship..... Cassie Kennedy
Presented by Dr. Helen Binkley

Nancy Hill Robertson ScholarshipBrandy Harrell
Presented by Dr. Sandra Neal and Dr. Joey Gray Timothy Caleb Brinegar

Janice and David Arnold Scholarship.....Marisa Fazzari
Presented by Dr. Kathryn Blankenship Caroline Kerrigan

Dr. Bertha Smith Clark Exemplary Student Award.....Bezawit Ararsa
Presented by Dr. Kathryn Blankenship

Dr. Kay Garrard Academic Leadership Award..... Rachel Nokes
Presented by Dr. Melinda Richards

Melanie Stacey Clinical AwardLeah Binkley
Presented by Dr. Rebecca Fischer Olivia Wilkerson

Athletic Training Outstanding Major Alex Fleming
Presented by Dr. Helen Binkley

Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Outstanding Major..... Emily Knox
Presented by Dr. Rebecca Fischer

Exercise Science Outstanding Major.....Bradley Ponder
Presented by Dr. John Coons

Health Education Outstanding Major Tandra Cause
Presented by Dr. Sandra Neal

Physical Education Outstanding Major Brianna D. Jasenak
Presented by Dr. Tina Hall

Leisure, Sport, and Tourism Studies Outstanding MajorMatthew Stroud
Presented by Dr. Joey Gray

Outstanding Masters Graduate Assistant..... Aaron Carson
Presented by Dr. Bev Clanton

Outstanding Doctoral Graduate AssistantWhitley Stone
Presented by Dr. Bev Clanton

Human Sciences

Rita Davenport Scholarship.....Akofa Hukporti
Presented by Dr. Lisa Sheehan-Smith

Lucy Dye Scholarship.....Meghan McCrary
Presented by Dr. Lisa Sheehan-Smith

Albert and Ethel Carver Smith Scholarships Hana Aleryani
Presented by Dr. Lauren Rudd
Tania Davila
Logan McCage
Duy-Anh Nguyen

Roddy Memorial Scholarships Virginia Beasley
Presented by Dr. Rick Cottle
Jennifer Curtis
Mackenzie Harris
Kristen Jordan

Mary Neal Alexander ScholarshipJennifer Curtis
Presented by Dr. Gina Pisut

Ernestine Reeder Scholarship Logan McCage
Presented by Dr. Gina Pisut

Adams Family Scholarships Jenny Dixon
Presented by Dr. Sandra Poirier
Megan Sager

Margaret Putnam Scholarship.....Megan Sager
Presented by Dr. Sandra Poirier

Outstanding Senior in Family and Consumer Sciences EducationAriel Chism
Presented by Dr. Sandra Poirier

Outstanding Seniors in Child Development and Family Studies Courtney Cannon
Presented by Dr. Claire Cook Jamie McCone

Outstanding Senior in Interior Design Koree Beth Madewell
Presented by Mrs. Sharon Coleman

MTSU Student Chapter ASID/IIDA..... Molly Norris
Presented by Ms. Deborah Belcher

Outstanding Senior in Nutrition and Food ScienceMichelle Persichina
Presented by Dr. Janet Colson

Outstanding Seniors in Nutrition and Food Science – Dietetics.....Miranda Fulmer
Presented by Dr. Lisa Sheehan-Smith Amanda Molinar

Student Nutrition and Dietetic Association Outstanding Senior Stacy Edwards
Presented by Dr. Janet Colson

Outstanding Senior in TXMD Apparel Design..... Genevieve Paraiso
Presented by Dr. Gina Pisut

Outstanding Senior in TXMD Fashion Merchandising.....Andre Wiggins
Presented by Dr. Rick Cottle

Psychology

Outstanding Clinical Graduate Student Danielle Nowlin
Presented by Dr. Chris Tate

Outstanding Experimental Psychology Graduate Student..... Andrew Hunt
Presented by Dr. Will Langston

Outstanding Quantitative Psychology Graduate Student.....Preston Botter
Presented by Dr. Ying Jin

Outstanding School Psychology Graduate StudentJustin Young
Presented by Dr. Jim Rust

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Grant Batchelor
Presented by Dr. Rick Moffett

Elizabeth Wright Memorial Award..... Roseanna Commini
Presented by Dr. Jim Rust

Larry W. Morris Outstanding Senior in Psychology.....Christopher Ryan Bearden
Presented by Dr. Rick Moffett

Robert E. Prytula Memorial Scholarship
Outstanding Graduate Student in Psychology..... Grant Batchelor
Presented by Miles Edward Workman

Willard A. Kerr Award of Excellence
Outstanding Seniors in Industrial/Organizational PsychologyJessie McClure
Presented by Dr. Judy Van Hein Leonard Taylor

Willard A. Kerr Award of Excellence

Outstanding Industrial/Organizational Psychology Graduate Students.....Amanda Beaufore
Presented by Dr. Rick Moffett

Hayley Calarco
Danielle Meyerink

Social Work

Marian Clark ScholarshipMelinda Bates
Presented by Dr. Charles Frost Najah Bronson

Marian Clark ScholarshipEmily Denney
Presented by Dr. Rebecca Smith Amanda Ferrara

Marian Clark ScholarshipGerkelly Mealey
Presented by Professor Angela Pharris Britany Hammers

Marian Clark ScholarshipLisa Hattaway
Presented by Dr. Ariana Postlethwait Wanda Luick

Marian Clark ScholarshipAllison Perryman
Presented by Professor John Sanborn Jasmine Taylor

Dale Seime ScholarshipAmanda Ferrara
Presented by Dr. Margaret Fontanesi-Seime

Nursing

The School of Nursing will hold their Graduation Recognition Ceremony on Friday, May 6, 2016.

The College of Behavioral and Health Sciences would like to extend our thanks to the following departments and personnel for their help with making this ceremony a success:

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- Student Union Building Staff
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