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2022
Honors
Awards & Prizes

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Friday, May 27, 2022 • 12:30 p.m.
Lawrence Memorial Chapel

Prelude

Praeludium in E minor

Daniel E. Schwandt
University Organist

Nicolaus Bruhns
(1665–1697)

Procession of the Faculty*

Prelude in F Major

Daniel E. Schwandt
University Organist

Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel
(1805–1847)

Recognition of Students Elected to Honor Societies and Recipients of Awards and Prizes

Laurie A. Carter
Lawrence University President

Musical Selection

Splinter

VI. *River Birch*
IV. *Black Ash*
VIII. *Red Pine*

Emily Zuniga, oboe
Georgia Chau, clarinet
Melanie Shefchik, alto saxophone
Jazzlyn Timper, bass clarinet
Nate Scott, bassoon

Marc Mellits
(b. 1966)

Introduction of Professor Charles Austin Segrest

Catherine Kodat
Provost and Dean of the Faculty

Address

“Door to Remain: Community in Poetry’s Threshold”

Charles Austin Segrest
Assistant Professor
of English

Recipient of the 2022 Faculty Convocation Award

Recessional*

Trumpet Tune in C Major

David N. Johnson
(1922–1987)

Daniel E. Schwandt
University Organist

*Please stand for the processional and the recessional

CHARLES AUSTIN SEGREST

Austin Segrest teaches classes in poetry writing and literature, as well as *First-Year Studies*. He is the author of the poetry collection, *Door to Remain* (UNT Press, 2022), winner of the Vassar Miller Poetry Prize. His poetry can be found in *POETRY*, *Ploughshares*, *The Threepenny Review*, *The Yale Review*, *Ecotone*, *The Common*, *New England Review*, and many other journals. His poetry criticism appears in *APR*, *Poetry Northwest*, *32 Poems*, *Southern Humanities Review*, and *Pleiades*.

For poetry in Professor Segrest’s
address, please scan this QR code.



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2022 Honors Awards & Prizes

THE UNIVERSITY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ADVISING, given to a member of the faculty whose dedication to his or her role as an academic advisor is considered particularly outstanding. The recipient is selected from among nominations submitted by students in the senior class

Judith Humphries, Appleton, WI. Judith Humphries has earned this award by advising not only biology and pre-health students, but advisees with a variety of interests. She consistently looks out for ways to help her advisees, from setting up grad school info sessions, to advocating for resources to help students get to job shadowing sites off campus, to providing extra interview practice. Her advisees appreciate her willingness to share her own experiences not just of success but also of failure. They describe her as “always so kind,” “incredibly supportive,” and “empowering,” writing that Dr. Humphries “has made Lawrence feel like home for me.”

THE JOHN J. AND GRACIELA ALFIERI TUITION SCHOLARSHIP IN SPANISH, recognizing exceptional ability in Spanish language and literature

Anayeli Alejandra Herrera, North Chicago, IL. On her performance across courses in the Spanish Department, Anayeli has demonstrated an unusual sensibility that constantly informs her intellectual development: she is judicious, responsible, rigorous and kind. Behind a seemingly quiet demeanor, her brightness shines through on issues related to Latinx and Latin American cultures and literatures.

THE CHARLES F.L. ANDERSON OPERA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP, established in 2018 by the generous gifts of Mary Anderson in memory of her late husband Charles. Charles was an avid supporter of the opera throughout his lifetime. He and Mary were introduced to Lawrence University through Björklunden where they attended seminars and performances while vacationing at their second home located next door to Björklunden. After Charles’ passing on January 16, 2018, Mary attended an opera performance at Lawrence and knew Charles would have been drawn to the Lawrence University Conservatory of Music and the exceptional opera program, so she was moved to create an opera performance scholarship in his memory

Quinn Elizabeth Vincent, West Bend, WI. Quinn has shown commitment to the opera productions at Lawrence, beginning with their collaboration with the composer of *Speed Dating Tonight!* in the fall of 2020, which led to the inclusion of a wonderful solo-duet approaching the topic of non-binary dating hopes and challenges. Coupled with their vocal progress and their leadership in this year’s opera, Quinn is a valuable member of the operatic ensemble.

THE MRS. H. K. BABCOCK AWARD, given to a member of the faculty, staff, administration, trustees, alumni, or a friend of the College, who through involvement and interaction with students has made a positive impact on the campus community

Susan Hammes, Appleton, WI. Susan won the Babcock award because she received the most votes from among the top three nominees—by a landslide. Here are some of the reasons students provided for nominating Susan: “She’s always so friendly at the Andrew Commons desk.” “She is genuinely such a kind person, always asking people about their days and offering a word of encouragement. No one is better suited to greet students as they walk in for meals!” “Susan always puts a smile on everyone’s face! It’s rare to build friendships with the staff but she makes sure to always be super nice and friendly whether she knows you or not!”

THE LOUIS C. BAKER MEMORIAL AWARD IN MODERN LANGUAGES, established by colleagues, former students, and friends of Dr. Baker, who taught German and French at Lawrence from 1916–47, and given annually to the junior major in a modern foreign language who has shown outstanding achievement

Claire Chamberlin, Rhoadesville, VA. This award is given to Claire Chamberlin, French & Francophone Studies and Global Studies double major, for her curiosity about a world full of differences, for her insightful work on translation (especially her translations of plays drawn from the Molière-inspired contemporary repertoire and performed at Lawrence), and for her deep respect for language and meaning.

Theresa Marie Gruber-Miller, Mount Vernon, IA. Theresa Gruber-Miller is a thoughtful, dynamic, creative student who weds musical performance and academic work masterfully. She has done excellent work both at Lawrence and abroad, in Salamanca, Spain. For a class on the Cantigas de Santa Maria, a 13th Century songbook, she collaborated with Brianna McCarthy to produce modern and historically-informed recordings of Cantiga 100, subtly interrogating the very notion of medievalism.

THE BAKER PRIZE IN MODERN LANGUAGES, awarded to the senior major in a modern foreign language whose scholastic average in general and in modern foreign languages is highest among the majors in that field

Emmeline Rose Sipe, Shorewood, WI. Emmeline Sipe is a nuanced thinker, eloquent writer, and supportive mentor. She has done extraordinary work in the Spanish department as both a student and a tutor. Whether reading, writing, or singing, she approaches everything with unbounded enthusiasm. And above all else, she loves translating. She will begin graduate study in translation next year, but has already translated an impressive array of materials here, from op-eds to 16th-century plays to arcane academic articles.

Marion Villahermosa Hermitanio, De Pere, WI. Marion has been an outstanding and very caring student. She holds the qualities of an autonomous, passionate and responsible learner, which has been consistently demonstrated by her stellar performance in Spanish classes during her time at Lawrence.

THE RUTH BATEMAN AWARD, given to a woman athlete for leadership and for excellence in scholarship and athletic ability

Kenya Ruby Earl, Iowa City, IA. Kenya Earl is an exceptional women’s basketball player and a biology major with an innovation & entrepreneurship concentration. She is the all-time leading scorer for Lawrence University basketball (with 1,610 career points) and was named a four-time all-conference player. Kenya served as team captain for three seasons and holds university records in free-throws, rebounds, blocks, and all-time games started/played. In addition to her achievements on the court, Kenya is also a member of the Black Student Union, Lawrentians Inspiring Global Health Together and the Student Athlete Advisory Committee. She also works as a basketball intramural referee and front desk staffer at the Wellness Center. Last year, Kenya participated in summer student research with Professor Stefan Debbert in which they discovered and tested additional drug pathways for a neglected tropical disease.

THE ANDREW C. BERRY - JAMES C. STEWART PRIZE IN MATHEMATICS, awarded to an outstanding graduating senior in mathematics

Guilherme Roma Moura Martins, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Gui has excelled in all of his mathematics coursework, exploring many more subjects than are required for the major, including strong independent work in algebraic number theory. He has a wonderful enthusiasm for mathematics, and supports other students as a popular tutor for many classes.

THE J. BRUCE BRACKENRIDGE PRIZE IN PHYSICS, awarded to an outstanding junior or senior physics major with a strong academic record and great promise for continued work in physics

Miles Gerrit Cochran-Branson, Sacramento, CA. Miles Cochran-Branson is the 2022 recipient of the J. Bruce Brackenridge Prize in Physics, recognizing his outstanding performance in physics courses, his participation in research and his commitment to the physics program. Miles’s promise for a future in physics is extraordinary, and he represents the best in the tradition of our department and discipline.

THE PHILIP AND ROSEMARY WILEY BRADLEY ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP IN ECONOMICS, established in 1994 by Dr. and Mrs. Bradley, both members of the class of 1935, to encourage talented and industrious students to major in the field of economics

Khac Hung Nguyen, Hanoi, Vietnam. Hung Nguyen has a double major in Economics and Computer Science. Hung’s logical reasoning, careful explanations, and commitment to learning help push himself and his classmates to high levels of mastery. His natural curiosity often leads him to investigate questions extending beyond the expectations of his professors, including topics in advanced econometrics.

Raian Rith, Dhaka, Bangladesh. With a deep interest in Economics, Raian Rith dove right into the Economics major. Even as a junior, Raian has completed most of his required courses with a high level of success. Outside of class, Raian helped organize the Data Science Club which helps classmates use economic and statistical tools to understand the world.

THE DAVE BURROWS AWARD FOR *SENIOR EXPERIENCE* IN PSYCHOLOGY, established in 2019 to honor Dr. David Burrows and his insightful leadership as provost, professor of psychology, and director of inclusive pedagogy at the time of his retirement. Awarded to students whose work on their senior capstone project shows scholarly acumen and dedication to the creative application of research for important questions of psychology

Moeka Kamiya, Chiba, Japan. Moeka Kamiya is a double major in Psychology and Neuroscience from Japan. She undertook a very ambitious senior project testing novel research questions regarding the relationship between psychological characteristics, interventions, and the gut microbiome. She worked very independently under the mentorship of advisors in both departments as she collected and analyzed data. Her project is creative, interdisciplinary and distinctive, exemplifying the nature of this award. Her work has important implications for mental and physical health.

THE IDEN CHARLES CHAMPION CUP, awarded for excellence in scholarship, athletic ability, college spirit, and loyalty

Matthew Scott Meiningner, Bloomfield Hills, MA. Matt is a member of the Men's Hockey team and an Economics major. Matt was a three-year team captain and served as an assistant captain as well. He is a two-time NCHA All-Academic Team Member (overall GPA of 3.56) and has played 115 games, the most games played in LU Hockey history. Matt did not miss a single game due to injury in his 5 years in our program. He has played against every team's best forwards every single night and helped LU Men's Hockey earn a playoff berth in 4 of the 5 seasons he played. Matt has led LU Men's Hockey in efforts to volunteer with youth hockey during his entire tenure at LU.

THE IDEN CHARLES CHAMPION AWARD IN COMMERCE & INDUSTRY, established in 1921 by Iden Charles Champion, Class of 1919, in recognition of his interest in the cause of higher education. The award is presented each year to a student in the Department of Economics

Jeremy Joseph Bruton, Twin Lakes, WI. In his paper "Is Determinate Sentencing the Truth? Examining the Effects of Wisconsin's 2000 Truth-in-Sentencing Law" Jeremy Bruton takes advantage of the sharp cutoff date provided by the implementation of Wisconsin's 2000 Truth-in-Sentencing Law to estimate the causal effects of the law on prison readmission rates via a regression discontinuity design. He finds that the law reduced prison readmission rates, particularly for non-hispanic white offenders.

THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY UNDERGRADUATE AWARD IN ORGANIC CHEMISTRY,

Minh (Chris) Quang Hoang, Hanoi, Vietnam. Chris's excitement about organic synthesis has been evident since his first term at Lawrence, and that excitement has come through in his coursework, his independent research building novel antiparasitic compounds, and his tireless work as a teaching assistant and tutor.

Ezra Jee Marker, Appleton, WI. In the midst of a pandemic, Ezra blazed new trails in our research labs, building both molecules and community. The book chapter on antiparasitic drug development they co-authored with Professor Stefan Debbert was published this spring, and is available to view at tinyurl.com/EJM-2022.

THE DEBBIE ROMAN PRIZE IN CHEMISTRY, awarded to the junior or senior major whose laboratory performance best exemplifies the qualities of competence, resourcefulness, efficiency, dedication and goodwill

Emily Anne Harper, Westerville, OH. In only a couple years, Em went from a wide-eyed newcomer to a seasoned, efficient, and eager pro, especially in the area of solution making. Their work helping behind the scenes preparing for teaching labs has been exemplary to say the least. We wish them the best of luck on the next phase of their chemistry journey.

THE FIRST-YEAR CHEMISTRY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD, given in recognition of outstanding performance in the introductory chemistry courses

Marissa R. Polzin, Sturtevant, WI. We're honored to award Marissa Polzin the First-Year Chemistry Achievement Award. Marissa did outstanding work both in class and in lab. She has carried on great work in her two organic courses where she has done a great job interrogating the molecular world.

THE SENIOR CHEMISTRY AWARD, sponsored by the Northeast Wisconsin Section of the American Chemical Society and awarded to an outstanding senior major

Carmen Amelia Magestro, Cudahy, WI. We are so proud to award Carmen with the Senior Chemistry Award! She has become quite a chemist by diving deep into challenging problems with positivity, creativity, and curious eye. Best of luck Carmen as you continue to be a rock star in chemistry!

THE UNDERGRADUATE AWARD IN ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY, given to a junior major, for outstanding performance in analytical chemistry

Zachary Arron Leslie, Chicago. Zach demonstrates his aptitude and dedication to quantitative chemistry repeatedly. Coming into analytical chemistry lab from remote laboratory instruction made the fact that he quickly developed his chemical intuition, consistently obtaining good data through careful work and problem solving. Zach excelled in the lab and has a bright future in the field.

THE F. THEODORE CLOAK AWARD IN THEATRE, following the example of our department's founder, the Cloak Award recognizes a young theatre maker who demonstrates a theoretically and historically informed understanding of dramatic literature to inform skillful and nuanced contributions to our productions

Riley Paige Seib, Mishicot, WI. Throughout Riley's career in the Theatre Arts department, she provided an inspiring model for her peers as a complete theatre-maker: on stage, backstage, in the classroom, and in performance. Riley is curious, engaged, and brings knowledge from other coursework while actively seeking diverse perspectives. She always knew when to take responsibility and when to give others the space to grow, ensuring everyone around her brought the best of themselves to each activity.

THE DONALD KNUTH PRIZE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, awarded annually to the outstanding graduating senior majoring in Mathematics-Computer Science

Taylor Wayne Hallman, Austin, TX.

Ernesto Banuelos, East Dundee, IL.

Both Taylor Hallman and Ernesto Banuelos completed a computer science major along with a major in the conservatory. This is noteworthy, but even more remarkable is the fact that they consistently made the highest grades of any students in almost all of their classes in the computer science major. Both of their senior capstone projects were exemplary, and went well beyond the level that is typical for computer science capstone projects.

THE MARGARET GARY DANIELS KEYBOARD PERFORMANCE AWARD, established by Helen G. Daniels, Milwaukee-Downer College, in honor and memory of her mother. Mrs. Margaret Daniels received a diploma in music from Milwaukee-Downer in 1918 and graduated the following year with a Bachelor of Arts degree. The award is given to a student who excels in keyboard performance

Ami Hatori, Leola, PA. Ami has presented consistently beautiful and professional performances this year at Lawrence in her multiple roles as collaborative pianist, pianist for the choir, and as a soloist. She is also the proud winner of two recent competitions, offering further evidence that this is playing of extraordinary sensitivity and technical finesse. Her communicative skills as a performer, her fearlessness in tackling difficult repertoire, and the breadth of her musical interests have made her an invaluable member of the piano department.

Rinako Kishi, Kanagawa, Japan. A junior double-degree candidate pursuing a Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance and Bachelor of Arts in Biology, Rinako is recognized as one of the most outstanding pianists currently studying at Lawrence. A dedicated and ambitious artist, she tackles the most challenging solo and collaborative repertoire with utmost conviction, refinement, and detail. During the past three years, she placed first alternate and honorable mention at the Wisconsin state auditions of the Music Teacher's National Association Young Artist Competition, second place at the Green Bay Civic Symphony Concerto Competition, and finalist in the Lawrence Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition. Her ensemble playing has been exceptional as well, and her service as an Accompanying Fellow for voice and instrumental studios produces a wide variety of collaborations at a consistently high level of musicianship.

THE DIDERRICH PRIZE IN CREATIVE WRITING, established by friends and family of Alice S. Diderrich in 1988, recognizes and commemorates her devotion to her alma mater and her love of literature. It is awarded to an upperclass student whose performance in poetry or fiction writing has proven to be outstanding in the judgement of the faculty of the English Department

Alexandra Gita Chand, Southlake, TX. The Diderrich Prize in Creative Writing goes to Alex Chand, for sustained outstanding work in multiple genres--poetry, creative nonfiction, and hybrid critical-creative prose.

THE CLYDE DUNCAN PRIZE, commemorating the life and career of Clyde Duncan, professor of music at Lawrence from 1947-84. An accomplished performing artist and musicologist, Professor Duncan played a major role in creating bridges between the college and the conservatory of music. The award goes to an upperclass student with broad interests and abilities that combine music with literature, aesthetics, and culture

Amy Erin Gruen, Sebastopol, CA. Amy has developed her skills in research, intellectual engagement, and multiple modes of communication throughout her musicologies studies. She has explored and juxtaposed different modes of performance and meanings to create an arresting and beautiful video revival of the early Sephardic song "Durme, Durme." Her projects in Music of the Middle East, one on Andalusian Muslim music in southern Spain, and one on music and musicians in Afghanistan since the recent Taliban takeover, demonstrate the particular care and thoughtful crafting of ideas she brings to her work.

THE HERMAN ERB PRIZE IN GERMAN, established in 1912 by Herman Erb, a prominent Appleton banker, who came to this country from Germany at age 16. It is awarded to upperclass students on the basis of a submitted original composition or a scholarly essay

Karin Olivia Hannemann, St. Paul. Karin Hannemann's German Studies capstone is an ambitious, creative, and original research project that explores how tattooing can function as a form of empowerment and healing for people from marginalized communities. The project began in Berlin where they interviewed numerous queer tattoo artists about their practices. The resulting capstone is both theoretically sophisticated and historically situated, but most impressive is the careful personal reflection that Hannemann meaningfully integrated into the entire undertaking.

THE FACULTY CONVOCATION AWARD, Each year, a member of the faculty is honored with the Faculty Convocation Award. Selection for the Award is made by the President upon nomination of the Committee on Public Occasions. Nominees submit a proposal for a Convocation address. Criteria for the Award include the quality of the proposal and the demonstrated excellence of the faculty member's professional work

Charles Austin Segrest, Appleton, WI. Charles Austin Segrest, Assistant Professor of English, for his proposal, *Door to Remain: Community in Poetry's Threshold*.

THE JOHN HERBERT AND MAMIE E. FARLEY PRIZE IN PHILOSOPHY, established from the estate of Mrs. Farley and named also for her husband (Class of 1896), teacher of philosophy and psychology at Lawrence from 1904–40. It is awarded to a senior student excelling in the study of philosophy

Kira Brianna Davis, Sussex, WI. Kira's insights have been impressive since her first philosophy class. Her thoughtful manner and willingness to engage in discussion have made her a valuable member of each class she has taken. In her writing, she contends directly with significant, vexing issues. Kira's incisive, careful, and empathetic approach renders her a formidable philosophical interlocutor.

Trinity Lopez, Santa Fe, NM. The department recognizes Trinity's insightful work, generosity of spirit, and creative temperament. His capstone project on Wittgenstein exemplifies his methodical approach to complex philosophical systems, which spans many topics while furnishing understanding and analysis at key points in the texts. This is representative of his ameliorative and investigative engagement with classmates and high-quality coursework.

Matthew William Peters, Elizabethtown, PA. Matt's interest in extending philosophical discussions beyond the classroom is admirable. In his years as a major, he has developed a skill for noticing central, meaningful problems and a commitment to taking them on. In conversation and written work, Matt presents his ideas with intellectual honesty. He displays a genuine concern with different perspectives and synthesizes those perspectives well.

THE FRATERNITY SCHOLARSHIP CUP, awarded to the fraternity with the highest scholarship rating for the previous three terms

Beta Theta Pi

THE FIRST-YEAR STUDIES TEACHING AWARD

Erica Scheinberg, Appleton, WI. The First-Year Studies program depends on engaged faculty participants who are willing to share pedagogical ideas with other instructors. This past year Erica Scheinberg contributed to FRST through her introduction to *Kind of Blue* in the winter symposium and her development of a reading/teaching guide for the new fall work *Stranger in the Shogun's City*. Other instructors found her material helpful in their own teaching, and her comments and pedagogical insight showed clearly her own deep skills as a teacher.

THE FIRST-YEAR STUDIES WRITING PRIZE, awarded to a student whose submitted paper demonstrates outstanding qualities of critical analysis and thoughtful articulation. The winning paper is selected by a committee of First-Year Studies instructors

Owen Emerson Finch, Hopkins, MN. Owen Finch, for his paper, "A Challenge of Jeremy Waldron's Argument Regarding Dignity and Offense." This essay, notable for both its bold argumentation and its close reading of a complex text, is an exemplary model of First-Year Studies writing. Committee members praised Finch's thoughtful philosophical distinctions and ability to convincingly argue against specific elements of Waldron's premise. Thus, this paper encourages readers to reconsider the difficulty inherent in determining the objective nature of dignity and to re-read Waldron's text through a more critical lens.

THE OUTSTANDING FIRST-YEAR ATHLETIC AWARD FOR MEN, given to the first-year man who has made the most outstanding contribution to Lawrence athletics

Parker James Knoll, Appleton, WI. Parker is a valued member of the Lawrence University baseball team whose impressive statistics include a .385 batting average and 22 runs scored this season alone. Although he's just beginning his college career, Parker shows leadership and maturity as he bats in the lead-off spot, a notoriously tough section of the lineup. He doesn't just lead his teammates in the batting order, however. He also has 19 stolen bases this season and will most likely break the single-season stolen base record by the end of the year. In addition, he is a potential all-conference and all-region player. As a team captain, Parker wears our captains' "C" proudly, and he also represents the first-year class in our leadership council. We congratulate him on his many accomplishments this season and look forward to his future successes on and off the field.

THE OUTSTANDING FIRST-YEAR ATHLETIC AWARD FOR WOMEN, given to the first-year woman who has made the most outstanding contribution to Lawrence athletics

Madeleine G. Letendre, Baraboo, WI. As a key member of the women's swimming and diving team, Mattie holds a number of all-time conference records (#2 All Time in 100 FL 4th at MWCs, #3 All Time in 200 BK 3rd at MWCs, #4 All Time in 100 BK 3rd at MWCs, and #6 All Time in 100 FR at MWCs relay lead off) and was twice named Midwest Conference Performer of the Week this season. In addition, she was the top point scorer for Lawrence at the Midwest Conference Championships. Mattie is off to an exceptional start at Lawrence, and we look forward to celebrating her future successes.

THE DORRIT F. FRIEDLANDER SCHOLARSHIP, established in 1993 by colleagues and students of Professor of German Dorrit F. Friedlander upon her retirement. The fund honors Professor Friedlander's 42 years of distinguished teaching and assists German major students who will be studying in Germany

Hal Mark DeLong, Milwaukee. Hal DeLong is one of our most enthusiastic and intellectually curious German Studies majors. He has been clear about wanting to pursue a career as a German teacher since his first year at Lawrence and his time abroad will not only allow him to further develop his language proficiency, but also explore all that Berlin has to offer. Enjoy the fall term, Hal, and send us a postcard!

Elliot Sebastian Williams Hutfilz, Portland, OR. As a German Studies and statistics double major, Elliot "Sebastian" Hutfilz will spend fall term in the land of Leibniz. Sebastian has been taking German courses since his first year at Lawrence and is one of our most thoughtful and engaged students. We hope he returns with a fancy felt hat befitting his last name.

THE CHRISTINE GERDES AWARD IN ANTHROPOLOGY, established by Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Gerdes in memory of their daughter, Christine '74. It is awarded to an outstanding junior major who excels in the study of anthropology

Ellen Claire Teerink, Milwaukee. Ellen Teerink, an exemplary student in anthropology and environmental studies, both studies the Anthropocene and is doing something about it. Concerned about the way human activity is permanently reshaping the planet, Ellen has served on the LUCC Sustainability Committee and Greenfire, a student organization that educates the Lawrence community about environmental issues and reduce its environmental impact. Ellen has also devoted her time to improving sustainable food ways at Lawrence, being active with the Sustainable LU Garden (SLUG) and the LU Food Recovery Network.

Oscar Alfredo Loya, Santa Fe, NM. Oscar Loya is an engaged member of the anthropology program who has consistently demonstrated his ability to put classroom learning into practice. Not only has he served in a variety of roles in campus diversity-focused organizations, he has also worked during his summers to support first-generation college students in his home town of Santa Fe, NM through the Davis New Mexico Scholarship program. His efforts to apply his anthropology studies to the betterment of the Appleton and Santa Fe communities and his outstanding academic record make him unquestionably deserving of the Gerdes Award.

THE HICKS PRIZE IN FICTION, established by John Hicks, editor of the Oshkosh Daily Northwestern, United States diplomat, and Lawrence trustee (1911-16). It is awarded for the best submitted short story

Adelia Kirchner, Red Oak, TX. Adelia Kirchner's "Our Gentle Giant" offers an impressive portrayal of a searching narrator who struggles with feeling simultaneously close to and distant from the tragic death of a family friend. The story is a finely detailed journey through the twisting, turning complexities of thought and grief.

THE HICKS PRIZE IN POETRY, established by John Hicks, and awarded for the best submitted poem

Alexandra Gita Chand, Southlake, TX. Alex Chand's poetry displayed an impressive range of form, scope, and subject matter as well as an admirable willingness to fuse popular culture with experimental poetic form. The tone of the pieces was at times tender, other times fierce, and yet still full of worry and fear and hope.

THE PAUL C. HOLLINGER AWARD IN MUSIC HISTORY, established by friends and family in honor of Professor Hollinger's retirement from Lawrence after serving for 38 years as professor of music history

David Robert Womack, Austin, TX. David receives this award for his consistently active, critical, and passionate engagement in multiple musicology courses. His outstanding individual work and classroom contributions are fueled by his intellectual energy, his urge to question and re-question, and his drive to intersect performance with scholarship.

THE MARJORY IRVIN PRIZE, established by family, colleagues, students, and friends to recognize the life and career of Marjory Irvin, professor of music at Milwaukee-Downer College from 1948-64 and at Lawrence from 1964-87. It is awarded for excellence in piano performance as both soloist and chamber musician

Jonathan Cloete Bass, Washington Island, WI. Jonathan continues to perform as soloist and collaborator at a high level. In addition to offering an enterprising junior recital program featuring music by Sergei Rachmaninoff, Florence Price, and Franz Schubert, Jonathan was a rehearsal pianist for the mainstage opera, plays in a top jazz combo, and is in demand as a collaborator with instrumentalists and vocalists throughout the Conservatory. Dedicated to expanding the repertoire of music performed regularly by pianists, Jonathan spent part of winter break helping to develop a database of chamber music works by composers from historically marginalized groups.

Henry Hilton Giles, University City, MO. Henry has distinguished himself as an outstanding solo pianist and collaborator throughout his time at Lawrence. This year alone, he gave an ambitious recital featuring music by Beethoven, Schumann, Ned Rorem, and Debussy while performing the entire Dvorak Piano Quintet, serving as a rehearsal pianist for the mainstage opera, and collaborating with other instrumentalists and vocalists throughout the Conservatory. His performances offer exciting interpretations displaying confidence and command in a variety of styles.

THE RALPH V. LANDIS AWARD, established by the Lettermen of Lawrence in honor of Dr. Landis, physician to Lawrence students from 1926-78, and awarded for outstanding contributions to Lawrence athletics by a senior male athlete

Jacob James Charon, Racine, WI. Jacob, an English major with an innovation and entrepreneurship minor, has an impressive .443 batting average, 70 at-bats (31 hits, including five doubles and 14 home runs) and a .762 slugging percentage. He broke both the single-season home run record and the career home run record at Lawrence in the same season. Jacob's accomplishments also include leading the nation (out of all divisions) in home runs per game, and placing third in the nation (out of all divisions) in total home runs. Jacob's skills truly shine in his role as the "cleanup" or "four hole hitter" in the most difficult part of the LU batting lineup. He is a senior who leads by example and helps our young players build confidence in themselves through practice. Jacob will most likely be all-conference, all-region, and all-American by the end of the year and is a potential player of the year in the Midwest Conference. We are so proud of his achievements at Lawrence and look forward to celebrating his graduation from Lawrence this spring!

THE LANTERN COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD, commemorates the Lantern service organization that was the forerunner of the current Volunteer and Community Service Center and recognizes a student who has furthered the growth and well-being of people, animals, and/or communities through service for others or through social activism

Amellalli Herrera Alvarez, Chicago. Amellalli's work in support of the Lawrence Assistance Reaching Youth (LARY) program and her demonstrated leadership in the CCE's Child Advocacy Service Area distinguish her service and perfectly reflect the values of the Lawrence University Lantern Award.

Katherine Elizabeth Costanzo, St. Paul. Katie's commitment to the Lawrence Assistance Reaching Youth (LARY) and Volunteers in Tutoring At Lawrence (VITAL) programs and her service to students in the Appleton Area School District demonstrate a dedication to community service and positive social change.

THE LATIN LEAGUE OF WISCONSIN COLLEGES AWARD, given to first-year and sophomore students who do superior work in Latin during their first year at Lawrence

Aidan James Fleet, Seattle. To Aidan Fleet, for his skillful translations and elegant recitations of Latin poetry and prose. Aidan's command of the Latin language is matched only by his capacity for careful, insightful literary analysis of such authors as Catullus and Petronius.

THE CHARLES F. LAUTER INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PRIZE, established in 2000 in honor of Dean Lauter's retirement and awarded to an international student distinguished for scholarship, leadership, service, and support for Lawrence International

Yuting (Jamie) Dong, Redwood City, CA. Jamie is a vibrant and energetic campus community member. From the first time she set foot on campus it was clear she would bring a great creativity and passion to the campus and international community. In addition to serving as Creative Manager and later Vice President of Lawrence International, Jamie served as president for "Art House," a themed residential building dedicated to creating a place for artists in the residential/co-curricular realm of our institution. During her tenure leading these endeavors, Jamie routinely collaborated with her peers and advisors to serve the needs of our campus's many diverse constituents, demonstrating a strong commitment to inclusion and community via her creative work.

THE LETTERWINNER AWARD, given to those seniors who have earned eight or more varsity letters

Zachary Curtis Burke, Patterson, LA.

Alexandra Gita Chand, Southlake, TX.

William James Daniels, Waukesha, WI.

Roberto Julian Garcia, Steger, IL.

Leah Sydney Hawksford, Appleton, WI.

Maria Christina Jankowski, Rochester, MN.

Sara Michelle Klemme, Sheboygan Falls, WI.

THE JESSIE MAE PATE McCONAGHA PRIZE, recognizing interdisciplinary scholarship in art history within the humanities. It was established in memory of Professor McConagha, who taught French at Lawrence in the 1920s. She was a student of European painting and also pursued broader interests in the visual arts in the Appleton community

Isabella Nicolai Anise Thompson, San Francisco, CA. Izzy Thompson has been awarded the Jessie Mae Pate McConagha Prize for her adept application of interdisciplinary methodologies in her senior capstone project, "The Holy Body: Divinity through Fluidity." Combining Gender Studies and Theology with Art History, Izzy examines constructions of gender fluidity in high and late medieval representations of Christ and St. Wilgefortis. Her work, which sets this bearded female saint into a tradition that defies simple binaries, further reveals the complexity of late medieval devotional practices and opens new paths for scholarly consideration.

THE WILLIAM A. McCONAGHA PRIZE, established by Margaret McConagha Faulkner and Alan C. McConagha in memory of their father, an economics professor at Lawrence from 1926–56, and awarded to the student who best exhibits excellence in the study of economics

Jeremy Joseph Bruton, Twin Lakes, WI. Jeremy has set a standard of excellence in quantitative policy analysis that is perhaps unprecedented at Lawrence. He is a double major in Economics and Government, with a minor in Data Science, and his peers widely recognize him as an outstanding student and classmate. Jeremy shows broad interest in public policy topics, from trucking deregulation to federal antitrust policy to judicial sentencing reform. He presented his work on trucking deregulation at the Harrison Symposium, won the department award for his paper on criminal sentencing, and won a national undergraduate statistics competition for his project on the effectiveness of defensive shifts in baseball. Jeremy generously offers his time as a tutor for all levels and numerous fields of the Economics curriculum, and has worked as a summer research student and a consultant for clients in Appleton.

Alexis Elizabeth Livingood, Sugar Land, TX. A dual-degree B.A. and B.Mus. student, Alexis Elizabeth Livingood has managed a very demanding schedule. Thanks to her well-tuned problem sets and pitch-perfect exams, Lexie earned stellar grades in her Economics courses. Her valuable contributions to classes and commitment to learning provided benefits to the major as a whole.

Riley Christopher Newton, Austin, TX. Riley Christopher Newton has been invaluable to the Economics Department, inside and outside of the classroom. Riley earned stellar grades in the major while mentoring classmates and supporting faculty. As a student employee, they conducted valuable research that will continue to shape the department in the coming years. A well-rounded student, Riley is also an Art and Data Science minor who starred in the musical “Heathers.”

THE JAMES MING PRIZE IN COMPOSITION, established in honor of James Ming, professor of music theory and composition in the Lawrence Conservatory from 1944–82, upon his retirement and awarded for outstanding creative talent and achievement in music composition

Samuel Max Green, Plano, TX. Samuel M. Green, a fourth-year senior from Plano, Texas, is a composer of outstanding skill and accomplishment. His musical compositions show a high level of musicality, craft, and artistry and are characterized by a rich emotional palette, compelling harmonies, and aesthetic sophistication. An accomplished pianist, he brings his extensive experience as a performer to bear on compositions that are both practical and beautiful, and that always connect with the audience. His recent composition Kaddish for soprano and piano is a powerful example of Sam’s artistry and musical imagination.

THE MITA SEN AWARD FOR SOCIETAL IMPACT AT LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY, established in 2012 by Abir Sen ’97 and Crystal Cullerton-Sen ’97 in honor of Abir’s mother, Mita Sen. Abir Sen graduated *magna cum laude* from Lawrence in 1997 with a major in economics. He later attended Harvard University, where he received an MBA. Crystal Cullerton-Sen graduated *cum laude* from Lawrence in 1997 with a major in psychology. After completing her BA at Lawrence University, she obtained her doctorate in School Psychology with a minor in Child Development from the University of Minnesota. The Mita Sen Award for Societal Impact will be awarded annually to students whose work has the potential to positively impact society

PaNhia Vang, White Bear Lake, MN. PaNhia’s placement with the Center for Asians Americans United for Self-Empowerment (CAUSE), a nonprofit community-based organization in Los Angeles, will allow her to focus on advancing the political and civic empowerment of the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community. Specifically, PaNhia’s work will focus on research and projects that eliminate income inequality, mitigate discrimination in civic engagement activities, provide education to underserved communities, and supply immigrants with important resources and services.

THE MORTAR BOARD HONORARY AWARD, given to a faculty member or administrator who best advances the spirit of scholarship, recognizes and encourages leadership, and provides service, those ideals upon which Mortar Board was established

Brigid Vance, Appleton, WI. Brigid Vance is the epitome of leadership, scholarship and service. We have witnessed Professor Vance’s concern and care for students’ holistic development and well-being. She is always working towards increasing inclusivity for Lawrence students and we truly appreciate her for it.

THE EDWIN H. OLSON AWARD IN HUMAN SERVICES, established by students, friends, and colleagues in honor of Professor Olson’s retirement from Lawrence in 1989. It is awarded to the best senior psychology major planning to undertake a career in one of the psychology-related helping professions

Ishita Agarwal, Haryana, India. Ishita Agarwal is an incredibly bright student double majoring in Psychology and Biochemistry. She plans to go to medical school and has already made substantial contributions to the health and wellbeing of her classmates and the local community through her efforts in supporting COVID-19 testing on campus, her work as a certified nursing assistant at Brewster Village, and through volunteer work in the adult psychiatry ward at St. Elizabeth’s Hospital and at the Community Early Learning Center. Ishita has great potential to contribute to the healing and wellness of others with impressive skill, cultural humility, and compassion.

Molly Anne Ruffing, Kaukauna, WI. Molly Ruffing is a multi-talented double-major in Psychology and English. She has dedicated considerable time enriching Lawrence and greater Fox Cities communities through various leadership roles. She developed a mentoring program for first-generation students at Lawrence and her alma mater, Kaukauna High School that will leave a legacy after she graduates. Molly plans to be a school counselor to continue her work with first generation students. She deferred her enrollment in graduate school to pursue a job in journalism next year and will no doubt find a way to use all her talents to help others well into the future.

THE MAURICE CUNNINGHAM PHI BETA KAPPA PRIZE, awarded to the third-year B.A. or fourth-year B.A./B.Mus. double-degree student with the highest grade-point average

Zachary Ray Andersen, Twin Lakes, WI.

Itai Samuel Bojdak-Yates, Kensington, CA.

Claire Chamberlin, Rhoadesville, VA.

Miles Gerrit Cochran-Branson, Sacramento, CA.

Alexandra Kathryn Freeman, Prairie Village, KS.

Benjamin Allan Glazer, Woodside, CA.

Jonathan Hogan, Warrenville, IL.

Difei Jiang, Changsha, China.

THE PHI BETA KAPPA DOWNER FIRST-YEAR PRIZE, for recognition of outstanding academic performance as a first-year Bachelor of Arts student at Lawrence

Madeleine Zofia Redyard Corum, Austin, TX.

Josephine Eva Desir, Oak Park, IL.

Althea Elisabeth Foster, Denver.

Katrina Renee Girod, Kingston, Jamaica.

Daniel Alfonso Godoy, Staten Island, NY.

Monique Tiffanie Johnson, Brooklyn, NY.

Brett Nicholas Schneider, Madison, WI.

Madeleine Elizabeth Tevonian, Wilmette, IL.

Jackalyn Helena Wyrobek, Minneapolis.

THE PI KAPPA LAMBDA COMPOSITION AWARD, for exceptional originality and skill in music composition

Andrei Stefan Coman, Pacific Grove, CA. Rei Coman is a composer with a unique perspective and a strong work ethic. Their composition “Memories, 3” for flute and electronics combines elements of Romanian folksong with meticulously crafted sonic and visual media. Rei also creates beautiful graphic scores for indeterminate compositions that demonstrate their depth of thought, attention to detail, and imaginative spirit. Rei’s composition *Song of the Mushroom* will be performed by the Lawrence Concert Choir next fall.

THE PI KAPPA LAMBDA FIRST-YEAR PRIZE, given for outstanding scholarly achievement

Annika Ruth Schmidt, Appleton, WI. Awarded to the First-Year Bachelor of Music student with the highest GPA.

THE PI KAPPA LAMBDA MUSIC EDUCATION TEACHING AWARD

Samara Gloria Morris, Oshkosh, WI. Instrumental Music Education: Samara Morris has distinguished herself as an exemplary music educator at Lawrence University. Throughout her studies at Lawrence and in her student teaching at Carl Traeger Middle School and Oshkosh West High School, Samara taught her students with care and compassion, empowering them to discover and share their musical voice. Because of her creativity, growth mindset, and passion for music education, Samara makes an incredible difference in the lives of her students.

Emma Louise Milton, Muskego, WI. Choral/General Music Education: Emma Milton has consistently demonstrated her commitment for choral/general music education since her arrival at Lawrence University. Throughout her studies and in her student teaching at Houdini Elementary School and Oshkosh North High School her compassion for students of all abilities remained at the heart of her work as a music educator. Her desire to set high expectations for herself while also modeling the joy & multiple inclusive pathways for learning will make deep impact in the lives of her future students.

THE PI KAPPA LAMBDA JAZZ COMPOSITION AWARD, for exceptional originality and skill in jazz music composition

Aaron Samuel Montreal, Port Washington, WI. Aaron Samuel Montreal for excellence and distinction in jazz and contemporary electronic composition. Aaron’s recent arrangement of “Chelsea Bridge” for large jazz ensemble skillfully incorporates woodwinds and a powerful use of dissonance. In addition, Aaron has demonstrated exceptional dedication and talent in the field of electronic music. He will continue his work in film scoring after graduation as a composer assistant for a major music production company in Southern California.

THE POLITICAL SCIENCE JOURNAL AWARD, given to an outstanding undergraduate student

Maksim Vladimirovich Plekhov, Saint-Petersburg, Russian Federation. Maksim Plekhov is Government major with a concentration in Innovation & Entrepreneurship. He has excelled in all his courses and maintains a perfect 4.0 GPA. In addition to his studies, Max is a member of the Lawrence University Hockey Team and also the Model United Nations Club. An international student from Russia, Max plans to pursue a career in international affairs.

Ethan James Wachendorf, Castle Rock, CO. Ethan Wachendorf is recognized for his outstanding performance as a Government major, and also, for his ambitious, multi-term research project on environmental justice. Ethan worked tirelessly to track down and make workable, cutting-edge data on environmental risk across Wisconsin, and then, to produce a high-quality quantitative analysis. He showed uncommon intelligence and resilience throughout. Beyond the classroom, Ethan has served as managing editor for the *Lawrentian*, served as a laboratory technician for the Forest Health Lab, and won a competitive internship with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

THE CHARLES E. POND AWARD FOR MEN, given for all-around athletic ability by a senior man in two or more sports and for sportsmanship, school spirit, and scholarship

William James Daniels, Waukesha, WI. Billy is an outstanding member of the men's cross-country and track team and a psychology major. He is a three-time all-conference honoree (2021 in cross-country, 2021 in outdoor track and 2019 in indoor track) and a 12 time letter winner. In addition, Billy was named to the Third Team All-State at the Wisconsin Private College Championships and was a major contributor on the 2021 Midwest Conference Championship team in cross country. We celebrate his many accomplishments and wish him well as he graduates from Lawrence University.

THE POND AWARD FOR WOMEN, given for all-around athletic ability by a senior woman in two or more sports and for sportsmanship, school spirit, and scholarship

Leah Sydney Hawksford, Appleton, WI. Leah's accolades as a member of the women's cross-country and track and field teams are matched by her outstanding record as a biology major. She is a five-time all-conference honoree in both cross country and track and field. In addition to being a Midwest Conference champion in the women's distance medley relay, Leah is an 11 time letter winner and was a major contributor on the 2021 Midwest Conference Championship Team in cross country. We are proud of all Leah has achieved and look forward to her future successes as she heads off to the Medical College of Wisconsin in the fall.

THE MOJMIR POVOLNY PRIZE IN GOVERNMENT, established to honor the retirement of Professor Povolny, who was a member of the government faculty from 1958-89. It is given to an outstanding senior government student

Jessica Grace Toncler, Columbia Station, OH. Jessica Toncler is being recognized for her wide-ranging and ambitious academic achievements. In addition to being one of the first to graduate with the new International Relations major, she completed a Bachelors of Music degree with a focus on violin. She recently completed an extensive internship with Legal Action Wisconsin, and her exceptionally strong *Senior Experience* project focused on the politics of foreign intervention. Jessica will begin pursuing a J.D. in the fall.

THE PRESSER FOUNDATION MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP, awarded to the outstanding music major entering the final year of study

Alexander Rothstein, Huntingdon, PA.

THE WILLIAM F. RANEY PRIZE IN HISTORY, established and named for this Rhodes Scholar and former professor of history at Lawrence (1920-55) and given to an outstanding history major. The prize is awarded to the senior with the highest GPA in the major

Yiman (Angel) Li, Guangdong, China. This 2022 Rainey Prize in History goes to Angel Li for the brilliance of her historical insight and the uncommon elegance of her prose.

THE MARION READ AWARD, given for outstanding contributions to Lawrence athletics

Kenya Ruby Earl, Iowa City, IA. Kenya Earl is an exceptional women's basketball player and a biology major with an innovation & entrepreneurship concentration. She is the all-time leading scorer for Lawrence University basketball (with 1,610 career points) and was named a four-time all-conference player. Kenya served as team captain for three seasons and holds university records in free-throws, rebounds, blocks, and all-time games started/played. In addition to her achievements on the court, Kenya is also a member of the Black Student Union, Lawrentians Inspiring Global Health Together and the Student Athlete Advisory Committee. She also works as a basketball intramural referee and front desk staffer at the Wellness Center. Last year, Kenya participated in summer student research with Professor Stefan Debbert in which they discovered and tested additional drug pathways for a neglected tropical disease.

THE GERVAIS E. AND MARY K. REED AWARD, given to the senior who, in the opinion of classmates, best exemplifies academic achievement and service to others and whose extracurricular activity, either on or off campus, demonstrates commitment to the common good

Molly Anne Ruffing, Kaukauna, WI. As described by her fellow students, "Molly Ruffing is smart, funny, and hardworking. Her service to the Lawrentian, to kids in her hometown, and to first-gen students has made a huge difference to everyone on campus." While inspiring fellow students on campus, her engagement with volunteerism served as a model and an encouragement to others to get involved in their areas of passion beyond the classroom.

THE PROFESSOR GERVAIS E. REED AWARD FOR OFF-CAMPUS STUDY IN FRANCOPHONE COUNTRIES, established in memory of Professor Gervais E. Reed with gifts from family members and friends upon his passing in June 2007. Professor Reed taught in the French department for 32 years. He held the Marie Wollpert Professorship in Modern Languages and was honored by the French government as a Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Academiques for his promotion of the French language in the United States. The fund recognizes Lawrence students who excel in French studies and supports their participation in off-campus programs in Francophone countries

Alexa R. Praxl, Lowell, IN. Lexi R. Praxl, a French & Francophone and Theater Arts double major, is receiving the Reed award for study in France as acknowledgment of her recognition of the crucial importance of cultural immersion and of her striving to make herself a more engaged linguistic actor.

THE ALEXANDER J. REID PRIZE IN ENGLISH, bequeathed in 1911 by Alexander Reid, editor of the "Appleton Post," U.S. diplomat, and Lawrence trustee (1895-97), the prize is awarded to the student who writes the best sketch

Molly Anne Ruffing, Kaukauna, WI. Molly Ruffing's "The Mill" chronicles a first-generation college student moonlighting at a paper mill to help pay for school. This well-developed narrative, populated by real characters with depth, is about power—what it looks like, what runs it, and how it undoes us.

THE ESTELLE RAY REID PRIZE IN ART, established by a bequest from Estelle Ray Reid, daughter of Appleton Post editor Alexander J. Reid, and awarded for graduate study of art

Shania Johnson, Rosedale, NY. Shania Johnson has been awarded the Estelle Ray Reid Prize to support her work in work in graduate school. After exploring issues of race and ethnicity in late medieval European arts, Shania will continue her research at the graduate level. She is beginning a Masters in Art History with a focus on Medieval Arts this autumn in the Department of Art History and Communication Studies at McGill University in Montréal, Canada.

THE ESTELLE REID PRIZE IN LIBRARY SCIENCE, established from her estate in 1961 and awarded to a student planning to pursue the graduate study of library science

Amanda Chin '20, Portland, OR. Amanda Chin worked in the Circulation Services department in the Mudd library where she began to see libraries as central to their communities and she worked to “nurture and create community at Lawrence” through her time as a peer mentor and Lawrence International board member. She will pursue her Master’s degree at the University of Washington and hopes to use her experiences and her library skills “to better connect and create spaces for marginalized communities because the library is a resource for all to use.” We hope so too—and we know Amanda will be a great library colleague.

THE THOMAS B. REID PRIZE IN JOURNALISM, established in 1961 in memory of Thomas B. Reid, brother of Alexander J. Reid, and awarded to a student intending to pursue graduate study in journalism

Luther Ray Abel, Milwaukee. The Thomas B. Reid Prize in Journalism is awarded to Luther Abel, who will be attending Northwestern University’s Medill School of Journalism following his year-long William F. Buckley Fellowship at the National Review.

THE ELIZABETH RICHARDSON AWARD—ART HISTORY, established in memory of this Milwaukee-Downer graduate by her friends and family. Miss Richardson M-D’40, served in World War II as a member of the Red Cross in France, where she died in a plane crash. The prize is awarded to women excelling in art history

Emma Louise Goodman, Albuquerque, NM. Emma has been awarded the Elizabeth Richardson Award for her sophisticated understanding of and contagious enthusiasm for Art History. In class discussions, her thoughtful contributions engage compassionately with her classmates’ ideas. Her written work demonstrates careful research and the ability to translate visual images and difficult concepts both effectively and concisely.

THE ELIZABETH RICHARDSON AWARD—STUDIO ART, established in memory of this Milwaukee-Downer graduate by her friends and family. Miss Richardson M-D’40, served in World War II as a member of the Red Cross in France, where she died in a plane crash. The prize is awarded to women excelling in studio art

Shumei (May) Li, Guangdong, China. May Li for their exquisite and atmospheric drawings that capture space and time in a beautiful manner. Their body of work is intelligent and visually striking, inviting the viewer into a world of their design.

THE SUMNER RICHMAN STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD IN BIOLOGY, established in honor of Sumner Richman, member of the Lawrence faculty from 1957–95, upon his retirement and awarded to a student showing promise in biological research

Derartu Ahmed, Maple Grove, MN. Derartu Ahmed has demonstrated an exceptional professionalism, enthusiasm and commitment in her research exploring the effects of the sound environment on crop pest behavior. Using the fall armyworm (*Spodoptera frugiperda*) as a focal species, Derartu helped test the hypothesis that female moths use environmental sounds to select egg-laying sites. Her keen animal observation skills and persistence resulted in the surprising discovery that singing insects may indirectly suppress crop pest damage in irrigated rice.

THE PATRICIA RITTER PRIZE IN CHINESE CULTURE, established in honor of Ms. Ritter for her work in promoting academic exchange between China and the United States. The award recognizes exceptional achievement by a Lawrence undergraduate in the study of Chinese culture

Josey J. McClain, Oneida, WI. Josey has been interested in the Chinese language and culture since childhood. In all her classes, she demonstrates a deep understanding of the traditional Chinese thoughts and philosophies as well as present-day popular culture.

THE PATRICIA RITTER PRIZE IN CHINESE LANGUAGE, recognizing exceptional achievement by a Lawrence undergraduate in the study of Chinese language

Katherine Mei Xiaobing Perry, Eagan, MN. Katherine shows great interest in learning all aspects of the Chinese language: its origin, its writing system, the dialects, etc. Her senior project on the fantasy novel *JInghuayuan* not only demonstrates her strong analytic skills of the text in a historical context but also her excellent command of Chinese in writing and in oral presentation.

THE HOWARD AND HELEN RUSSELL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH, established by family and friends. Members of the Russell family have been strong supporters of liberal education and Lawrence University; Howard and Helen Russell are grandparents of Beth De Stasio '83, professor of biology and Raymond H. Herzog Professor of Science, whose husband, Bart De Stasio '82, is also a professor of biology. This year the award is given in honor of Beth De Stasio's father, Roger Schoenfeld. This award recognizes excellence in biological research at the college

Zoë Joyce Quillen Boston, Havertown, PA. Zoë Boston has demonstrated a high degree of sophistication, autonomy, and motivation in her research that explores the function of cellular projections called cilia that are used in a variety of sensory-based processes in animals. Zoë has demonstrated a keen ability to apply evolutionary analyses to identify functional regions of the MAPK15 protein using a variety of computational, molecular, and cellular techniques. Her work is being conducted using the nervous system of a model nematode worm, *Caenorhabditis elegans*, but will likely improve our understanding of how several human organs function, including the kidneys, lungs, and brain.

THE LOUIS HENRY SCHUTTE MEMORIAL PRIZE IN ENGLISH, established by Dr. William M. Schutte, professor of English at Lawrence from 1960-84, in honor of his father, who served for 35 years as headmaster of Rumsey Hall School in Cornwall, Connecticut. It is awarded to the senior English major with the highest grade point average for all courses completed in the six terms immediately preceding his or her final term at Lawrence

John Michael Berg, Mukwonago, WI.

THE SENIOR ART AWARD—ART HISTORY, awarded to students excelling in art history

Ursa Ananda Maya Anderson, Amherst Junction, WI. Ursa has been awarded the Senior Art History Prize for the excellence of her capstone, "Reweaving Knowledge: Situating the Body and the Home in Cecilia Vicuña's Quipu Womb." Ursa's pioneering study on Vicuña's contemporary installation demonstrated a nuanced and highly sophisticated examination of gender and material theory.

THE SENIOR ART AWARD—STUDIO ART, awarded to students excelling in studio art

Yui Niizeki Maehara, Astoria, NY. Yui Niizeki Maehara, for his unwavering dedication to the elaborate rendering and animating of fantasy characters such as 'Macho Cat', soon to be seen in games and films.

THE SORORITY CUP, awarded to the sorority with the highest scholarship rating for the previous three terms

Kappa Alpha Theta

THE SENIOR PRIZE FOR STATISTICS & DATA SCIENCE, awarded annually to a graduating senior who demonstrates interest and excellence in the study of statistics and data science

Tran Ngoc My Le, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. My has thrived in a range of classes with applications in data science at Lawrence, demonstrating strong mathematical reasoning and programming skills, as well as creative application of statistical methodology. For her senior experience, My used innovative statistical learning methods to study relationships between traits in animal species and the climates they live in. My has also provided valuable guidance for her fellow students, as a tutor for several statistics and data science courses.

Parker Leopold Kaukl, Sun Prairie, WI. Parker Kaukl has been consistently successful in both foundational and upper-level courses focusing on statistics and data science at Lawrence, earning high grades throughout. He has demonstrated a strong understanding of both the theoretical and applied aspects of the discipline. Through his senior experience, where he has worked with sophisticated statistical modeling topics, Parker has conveyed the ability to learn and apply statistics independently.

THE WARREN HURST STEVENS PRIZE, established in 1926 by David Harrison Stevens, Lawrence University Class of 1906, in memory of his brother, Warren. David Stevens served the college as a trustee from 1949 to 1960 and was honored by his alma mater in 1931 with an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. The Stevens Prize is awarded to a junior in recognition of high scholarship and activity in college affairs

PaNhia Vang, White Bear Lake, MN.

THE STUDENT LIFE AWARD, established in 1978 and sponsored by the Lawrence University Alumni Association, and given to a senior in recognition of leadership and service

Alexandra Gita Chand, Southlake, TX. Alex has been a dutiful leader in several student organizations on campus. She has been a member of LUCC and has helped others establish student organizations as well. Among the many accomplishments that Alex has had, one of the strongest is her establishment and ongoing work with LUDWiG, the LU Disabilities Working Group. Through her work with LUDWiG Alex has partnered with faculty, staff, and students to raise awareness and support for both visible and invisible disabilities on this campus. She has educated and challenged Lawrence to do better in this area and has put many of the issues around disabilities on campus at the forefront of change. While leading LUDWiG and other club leadership experiences, Alex has built community and maintained an excellent GPA.

THE TANK-PALMQUIST-ROSS AWARD IN GEOLOGY, established in honor of Professors Ronald W. Tank, John C. Palmquist, and Theodore W. Ross. It is awarded to the outstanding geology student in the junior class

Itai Samuel Bojdak-Yates, Kensington, CA. In recognition of his dedication towards his field and his excellent academic record. Itai has the rare ability to integrate a broad range of experiences inside and outside the classroom and to bring these tools to bear on novel earth and environmental science problems.

THE JEAN WILEY THICKENS PRIZE, established in 1988 by Laura Thickens Halford, Lawrence University Class of 1938, in honor of her mother and in recognition of the life and work of Dr. Roger Nichols, former director of the Boston Science Museum. It is given to the student who, by interest, scholarship, and aptitude, shows the most promise for the teaching at the high school level

Morgan Elizabeth Fisher, Winnetka, IL. Morgan Fisher, a senior biology major, has chaired the LUCC Committee on Community Service and Engagement; served as the Child Advocacy Coordinator for the Center for Community Engagement and Social Change; tutored high school students in chemistry and physics; and co-taught Biology 131, the peer-led team learning companion course to Biology 130. Morgan shows tremendous promise for high school science teaching.

THE TICHENOR PRIZE IN ENGLISH, donated in 1888 by Charles Orlando Tichenor, who graduated from Lawrence in 1862 and served as an attorney in the Civil War. It is awarded to the student with the best critical essay about a work of English literature

Alexandra Gita Chand, Southlake, TX. Alex Chand's "Wind, Rain, and Thunder: Black Reconstruction and the Creative Voice of Thomas Wiggins in Olio" is an original, ambitious essay on Tyehimba Jess's Olio, making an argument that pays rigorous attention to poetic form while also acknowledging the subtle ways that race and disability interact with that form.

THE E. GRAHAM WARING PRIZE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES, established in 1987 by colleagues and friends to honor the retirement of E. Graham Waring, professor of religious studies. This prize is given to a student for the best paper written in a religious studies course

Asher Bradford McMullin, Appleton, WI. Asher's senior capstone project is entitled "Theodicy of the Restoration: The Reciprocal Nature of Omnipotence and a Kierkegaardian Model of Faith." This paper examines potential solutions to the problem of evil from different theological viewpoints of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Asher also presented a version of this paper at the Upper-Midwest regional meeting of the American Academy of Religion in April, at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN.

THE EDWIN N. AND RUTH Z. WEST SCHOLARSHIP, a merit award for students of exceptional promise. The scholarship is competitive and is granted to continuing students beginning with the sophomore year

Keegan Alec Mencke, Midlothian, VA.

Amir Hossein Zarandi, Khoy, Iran.

THE RALPH WHITE PRIZE IN MATHEMATICS, donated by Mrs. Mary White in 1921 in memory of her son, Ralph, Class of 1899, and awarded to a sophomore student excelling in the study of mathematics

Nina Bernadette D. Austria, Monmouth Jct, NJ. Nina has excelled in the sophomore-level math courses, and she has also distinguished herself in the study of statistics at Lawrence. Her writing and argumentation are a model of clarity, and she shows enormous promise for future success.

Brett Nicholas Schneider, Madison, WI. Brett has demonstrated thorough understanding in the sophomore-level math courses, and he displays a powerful commitment to learning new material, making connections, and writing careful explanations. He is a multi-interested student studying both mathematics and chemistry, and the department is excited to watch his development over the next few years.

THE ALEXANDER WILEY PRIZE, established by the family of Alexander Wiley, a United States Senator from Wisconsin for 24 years, and awarded to an undergraduate, preferably a senior, who has, in his or her college years, most demonstrated a principled independence of thought, moral courage, and creative commitment to a significant cause

Alexandra Gita Chand, Southlake, TX. Alex is a senior who chairs the Lawrence University Disability Working Group, is an External Special Projects Coordinator, an LUCC Student Representative, and is on the Financial Planning Committee. Alex was nominated due to her excellent work with LUDWiG. Alex is an advocate and champion for the disabled community and shows great courage and resilience in the face of systemic barriers. She understands collaboration and uses intelligence, knowledge, and persistence to go against the tide and advance improvements for the disabled community at Lawrence. The intelligence, knowledge, and poise Alex displays in all that she does is inspiring. Alex is a physics and English major along with a biology and creative writing minor.

THE CHARLOTTE WOOD PRIZE IN ENGLISH, established in 1961 and named for Charlotte Wood, Lawrence University Class of 1901. It is awarded to the student with the best essay entered in an annual competition

Taylor Suzanne Hughes, Wausau, WI. Taylor Hughes's "Koleka Putuma's Collective Amnesia and the Exploration of Grief" not only attends to a crucial theme in Putuma's work, but also explores the organization and arrangement of the poet's most recent collection. Beautifully written and thoughtfully organized, the paper shows an impressive attention to detail and a strong sense of audience and purpose.

THE HENRY MERRITT WRISTON SCHOLARSHIP, established in 1975 to honor the eighth president of Lawrence University, and awarded to those students whose academic excellence is reflected by their wide-ranging interests, balanced personalities, and the multiple abilities one associates with a truly educated person

Louisa May Olsen, St. Charles, IL.

Helen Y. Panshin, Corvallis, OR.

Marissa R. Polzin, Sturtevant, WI.

Rose Nancy Williams, Appleton, WI.

ELECTED TO PHI BETA KAPPA

Isihita Agarwal	Chapin Grumhaus
Julia Ammons	Ian Harvey
Ernesto Banuelos	Marion Hermitanio
Zoe Boston	Lauren Kelly
Derek Brickley	Madison Layton
Wilson Xiangqin Chen	Alexis (Lexie) Livingood
Clare Conteh-Morgan	Margaret McGlenn
Tyler Cowern	Matthew Peters
Elizabeth Donovan	Spenser Ross
Taneya Garcia	Spencer Sweeney
Glorielly Gonzalez	Miriam Syvertsen
Mae Grahs	Kyle Zajdel

MORTAR BOARD

Nora Briddell	Mara Logan
Alex Freeman	Oscar Loya
Sophie Hamer	Sarah Matthews
Anayeli Herrera	Valeria Núñez
Maheen Iftikhar	Alexander Rothstein
Lydia Jessee	Madeline Taylor
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