

Dean's Office Digest

Special Edition: Celebrating Faculty & Students May 11, 2020

From the Desk of Guest Editor Associate Dean and Director of the Wake Forest Scholars Program Tom Phillips

It is always heartwarming to complete the academic year by celebrating faculty pedagogical and scholarly accomplishments and student achievements as well. This celebratory special edition of the Dean's Office Digest recognizes the multiple ways that our outstanding faculty and students embrace academic excellence.

Our jobs as teachers and staff members can be distilled into two responsibilities: to challenge our students to a better life of the mind; and to encourage our students, in all the ways we can, to be good, maturing, and responsible citizens. Our colleagues in Admissions always give us a head start, recruiting and enrolling many wonderful, young would-be scholars. My work with students – including

and well beyond those who may enter or leave with some special academic recognition, and affirmed with every course and every semester for 40 years – tells me how fortunate we are to teach at a college of the caliber of Wake Forest. Our challenges can be small or large, depending on course preps, time and space

constrictions, and the occasional indifferent student. Not to mention extraordinary national adjustments to our very pedagogy. But overwhelmingly our jobs are ones of privilege: We have the honor, and the happy responsibility, to require (encourage, nudge, inspire, cajole) our students to respect and acquire in themselves an integrity of learning.

I've always thought the hardest part of being an adult was admitting when one didn't know something. (I indict myself in that challenge.) It seems harder, somehow, when we do know quite a bit about a few things, evolved from our graduate school days through scholarship and honing of the craft. Those students I will remember most – and there are many, happily – are those that seem to put aside

ego long enough to ask and try to answer hard questions, whether interpreting an equation or analyzing a novel. And often those students also are civic leaders, selfless and passionate, carrying the banner of pro humanitate through personal and meaningful contributions. Beyond our generic advantages as teachers and staff members of working in academe, we have the specific bounty of many, many Wake

Forest young people who really do try to think deeply, later to contribute something great and positive to the world. Thus our mission and our fortune.

At a moment none of us could have predicted, we can celebrate, predictably, the wonderful students who make our jobs, day

in and day out, such a pleasurable journey.

- Tom Phillips



has been a powerful force for good in the lives of our best and brightest students. He has been a wise and generous mentor to our merit scholars and a consummate educator in the classroom. He has led our Honor and Ethics Committee, multiple trips to our Study Abroad Houses, and Interdisciplinary Honors, and created the wonderful WordsAwake Symposium to celebrate Wake Forest's most gifted authors. He insists on excellence in all its forms and expects his students and colleagues to do the same. He is generous, compassionate, and kind, and sports a wonderfully ironic sense of humor. Tom may be retiring from his role as Associate Dean and Director of the Wake Forest Scholars Program on June 30, 2020, but we are fortunate he will be continuing to teach as an adjunct starting next spring.

Dean's Office Celebrations

Welcome to ODOG

We are delighted to welcome three new members to the Office of the Dean of the College starting July 1, 2020:



Rebecca
Alexander
Associate Dean for Research
and Community Engagement



Adam
Friedman
Director of the
Instructional Technology Group



Anne

Flardcastle

Associate Dean for

Academic Planning

Thank You

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the following members for serving the College and the Dean's Office with steadfast commitment to our Teacher-Scholar mission.



Christa Golyer will return to the Department of Chemistry on June 30, 2020, after completing her term as Associate Dean for Academic Planning.



Rick Matthews, Director of Academic and Instructional Technology and Professor of Physics, will retire on June 30, 2020, after 41 years at Wake Forest.



Tom Phillips, Associate Dean and Director of the Wake Forest Scholars Program, will retire on June 30, 2020, after 40 years at Wake Forest.

New Title



Starting on July 1, 2020, Associate Dean Eric Stottlemyer will have a new title,

Associate Dean for Interdisciplinary Programs and Experiential Learning. We look forward to Eric's continued leadership and direction on engaged learning and overseeing the multiple interdisciplinary programs within the College.

Department 2020 celebrations

Departments are scheduling their own virtual celebrations for the Class of 2020. Check the list here.

Faculty Retirements

RETIRING FACULTY

The following faculty members are retiring at the end of the 2019-2020 academic year. Thank you for your incredible dedication and commitment over the years! We will be sharing stories about these faculty members in a special communication in a few weeks. Here, we have included the department and year they started teaching at Wake Forest.



John E. R. Friedenberg (JERF) Associate Teaching Professor, Theatre, 1988



Brian Gorelick Associate Professor, Music, 1984



Judy Kem Professor, French Studies, 1987



Rick Matthews Professor, Physics, 1979



Catherine Seta Professor, Psychology, 1987



Alan Williams Professor, History, 1974

Faculty Announcements



COREY D.B. WALKER NAMED PROFESSOR IN THE HUMANITIES

Corey D. B. Walker has been named Wake Forest Professor in the Humanities with a joint appointment in the Interdisciplinary Humanities Program and the Department of English. Walker will also have an affiliate faculty appointment in the Department for the Study of Religions. In addition, Walker will be charged with founding an African American Studies Program.

RON DOYLE NAMED WRIGHT PRESIDENTIAL CHAIR

Wake Forest University has named Ron Doyle as the inaugural Katherine and Dickerson Wright Presidential Chair in Computer Science and Entrepreneurship. As the presidential chair, Doyle will



Ron Doyle

focus on educating computer science students through an entrepreneurial lens and showcasing technological advantages for startups, venture capitalists, and those enrolled in the Center for Entrepreneurship programs and courses.

Doyle comes to Wake Forest with an extensive career in technological ventures — having worked in the field for 25 years including currently at CA Technologies and IBM before that — and understands how technology and innovation enhance each other. His focus at Wake Forest will be in preparing students to enter the workforce with a creative approach to their future prospects.

The chair — one of 10 presidential chairs created from the Wake Will Lead campaign to recruit and retain faculty who are exceptional researchers in their field as well as dedicated teachers — is named for Katherine and Dickerson Wright, Wake Forest parents who were founding partners of the Office of Personal and Career Development.

Read more about Doyle and the presidential chair position here.

Department Chairs

We thank the upcoming chairs for their leadership and service in the year ahead. We also thank the faculty members in Art, History, Mathematics & Statistics, Music, Philosophy, and Politics & International Affairs who will serve as associate chairs, coordinators, and section chairs.

The following faculty members have been newly appointed (seen in the bottom image) or reappointed to be chairs of their departments.

LIST OF CHAIRS

ANTHROPOLOGY

Steve Folmar

COMPUTER SCIENCE

William Turkett

HISTORY

Monique O'Connell

POLITICS & INTERNATIONAL

AFFAIRS

Michaelle Browers

Catherine Harnois

SPANISH AND ITALIAN **Kathryn Mayers**

ART

David Finn

EDUCATION

Alan Brown

PHILOSOPHY

Win-Chiat Lee

SOCIOLOGY

STUDY OF RELIGIONS

Lynn Neal

BIOLOGY

Susan Fahrbach

ENGINEERING

Olga Pierrakos

PHYSICS

Daniel Kim-Shapiro















SPA/ITA: Kathryn Mayers







Faculty Promotions

PROMOTION TO FULL PROFESSOR

Patricia Dos Santos | Chemistry
Sandeep Mazumder | Economics
Shannon Mihalko | Health & Exercise Science
Jennifer Fey (Erway) | Mathematics & Statistics
Oana Jurchescu | Physics
Jarrod Whitaker | Study of Religions
Sol Miguel-Prendes | Spanish & Italian
J.K. Curry | Theatre & Dance
Brook Davis | Theatre & Dance

TENURE AND PROMOTION TO ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

Sarah McDonald | Biology
Erin Binkley | Counseling
Seth Hayden | Counseling
Jennifer Rogers | Counseling
Mark Curtis | Economics
Tin Cheuk (Tommy) Leung | Economics
Kristen Beavers | Health & Exercise Science
Stephanie Koscak | History
Elizabeth Clendinning | Music
Amanda Gengler | Sociology
Kristina Gupta | Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

TEACHING PROFESSOR PROMOTIONS

Diana Arnett | Biology | Associate Teaching Professor
Tammy Cashwell | Counseling | Associate Teaching Professor
Allison Forti | Counseling | Associate Teaching Professor
Laura Giovanelli | English | Associate Teaching Professor
Molly Knight | German and Russian | Associate Teaching Professor
Tom Brister | Politics & International Affairs | Full Teaching Professor
Steven Gunkel | Sociology | Full Teaching Professor

Faculty Fellowships

HOAK FAMILY FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Leigh Ann Hallberg | Art

DUNN-RUFY FACILITY FFILOWSHIP

Amy Lather | Classics

ZACHARY T. SMITH FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Mollie Canzona | Communication

KULYNYCH FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Rowena Kirby-Straker | Communication

DUNN-RILEY FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Grey Ballard | Computer Science

Z. SMITH REYNOLDS FOUNDATION FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Erin Branch | English Molly Knight | German & Russian

A.J. STERGE FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Sarah Mason | Mathematics & Statistics **Jeremy Rouse** | Mathematics & Statistics

SCOTT FAMILY FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Adrian Bardon | Philosophy **Fred Salsbury** | Physics

SHIVELY FAMILY FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Will Walldorf | Politics & International Affairs

F.M. KIRBY FAMILY FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Christian Waugh | Psychology

BRYANT-GROVES FACULTY FELLOWSHIP

Tanisha Ramachandran | Study of Religions



THE REID-DOYLE PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING | STEPHANIE KOSCAK, HISTORY

The chair who nominated Stephanie Koscak, this year's recipient of the Reid-Doyle Prize for Excellence in Teaching, describes her as "naturally gifted as a teacher, possessing an intuitive understanding of human learning."

"She is clearly a talented and committed teacher with a great deal of expertise in leading student discussions and creating a welcoming and yet rigorous space for intellectual encounter."

that resulted in a professional, published monograph. She consistently receives positive feedback from her students. One explains how "Analyzing the primary source documents was extremely valuable to my growth as a historical thinker;" and another comments on the benefits of large and small group discussions, saying,

"That is really helpful because sometimes if I'm unsure about something, I won't participate in a large class discussion but I will in a smaller one."

Most notably, Koscak "creates a natural analytical learning environment, in which she enables her students to learn by confronting intriguing, beautiful, and significant problems. She presents her students with authentic tasks that will challenge them to grapple with ideas, rethink their assumptions, and examine their understandings of reality. She strives to have students recognize how the present moment, and our own position within it, always shapes and influences the way we understand the past, even as we aim for objectivity."

For her commitment to innovative pedagogy and excellence in the classroom, the Reid-Doyle Prize for Excellence in Teaching is presented to Stephanie Koscak.

Many of her colleagues describe

Koscak's approach to teaching as lively, organized, and engaging. "She is a model of planning and organization, with the effect of offering her students many doorways through which to approach and understand the material of the course," says one colleague. Another echoes those sentiments when saying, "She is clearly a talented and committed teacher with a great deal of expertise in leading student discussions and creating a welcoming and yet rigorous space for intellectual encounter."

It is clear that throughout her five years at Wake Forest, she has focused on creating a class atmosphere where students engage both analytically and creatively, resulting in her receiving the Teaching and Learning Center's Innovative Teaching Award in 2017. One such pedagogical exercise allowed students to gain the skills of historical research and deep, critical thinking about primary and secondary sources

THE KULYNYCH FAMILY OMICRON DELTA KAPPA AWARD SAM GLADDING, PROFESSOR, COUNSELING

The Wake Forest University circle of Omicron Delta Kappa is proud to honor Dr. Sam Gladding for his work, which exemplifies the Kulynych Family Foundation Award in its role to recognize a faculty member who bridges the gap between academic, community, and student life.

Dr. Gladding joined the faculty in 1990, and since then, he diligently serves Wake Forest and the field of counseling. His work has earned him numerous recognitions and leadership roles including past president of the American Counseling Association, past chair of the American Counseling Association Foundation, and Associate Provost at WFU from 1997-2007. A prolific writer, his works include Volume 6 of *The History of Wake Forest University*. Amidst an outstanding academic career, Dr. Gladding personifies Pro Humanitate, and he takes interest in his students and the greater Winston-Salem community.

One student writes, "Dr. Gladding embodies everything it means to be a member of the Wake Forest community." Just in the past few years, Dr. Gladding has taken on additional roles to engage directly with students. He is now a Faculty Fellow with a first-year residence hall and the advisor to the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity. It is evident that Dr. Gladding goes above and beyond in his commitment to student life. A student notes, "at nearly every type of Wake Forest event—whether it be athletics, philanthropy events, speakers, or student concerts—Dr. Gladding makes an effort to support every aspect of the university. You may have seen him walking laps around Hearn Plaza with his wife, Claire, at Hit the Bricks, passing out coffee and bread at Lovefeast, or cheering on the Deacs at a home football game."

URECA FACULTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MENTORSHIP IN RESEARCH AND CREATIVE WORK IN THE SCIENCES PATRICIA DOS SANTOS, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, CHEMISTRY

The chair who nominated Patricia Dos Santos wrote that she "fully incorporates undergraduates into her research group and makes them integral parts of [her] team." In her 12 years in the Wake Forest Chemistry department, the award winner has mentored 54 students, including 21 who completed departmental honors theses. Her students have contributed to publications and given presentations at na-



tional and international conferences. Her mentorship has a broad reach, in that her NSF grants have supported students from Salem College, Winston-Salem State University, and other local institutions to join Wake Forest research labs. Former student Hannah Martin writes "Dr. Dos Santos … gave me the freedom to think for myself and be creative. She is endlessly dedicated to her students … working with [her] allowed me to attend a medical school with a dedicated research year, where I am now applying the lessons she taught me to new research questions." Courtney Smith, nearing completion of a Ph.D. in Pharmacology at Yale, said "Dr. Dos Santos guided my research efforts and created a positive learning environment that was a great place to grow as a scientist, while also taking time to discuss and help me make strides towards my career goals … I wouldn't be where I am today without her guidance and support!" For her consistent contribution to guiding undergraduates in the discipline of biological chemistry, Dr. Patricia Dos Santos is presented this award for excellence in mentored scholarship in the sciences.

URECA FACULTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MENTORSHIP IN RESEARCH AND CREATIVE WORK IN THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES ZAK LANCASTER, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, ENGLISH



Dr. Zak Lancaster, the recipient of this year's faculty award for excellence in mentored scholarship in the humanities has guided student research projects in linguistic analysis of student writing since joining the Department of English in 2012. As described by his department chair, the award winner is "an exemplary mentor of student research in every way...students learn immensely from

their work with him as they encounter new worlds of academic inquiry." His students have presented their work in the Smithsonian "castle" on the National Mall, engaging visitors in conversations about language and meaning while slideshows ran on screens behind them. Former student Maddie Moseley wrote that Dr. Zak Lancaster "not only strives to make students the best that they can be, but he values their experience in making sure they are excited and enjoying the opportunity to learn." Keru Lou wrote "he is interested in and also shows respect to my cultural background as I am international student ... our discussion about cultural values eventually developed into one of the areas of findings in our research ... I learned so much about research skills, linguistic concepts, and cultural differences while working with Dr. Lancaster."

EXCELLENCE IN ADVISING AWARD

LEAH ELYCE ROY, TEACHING PROFESSOR AND WRIGHT FAMILY FACULTY FELLOW, DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND DANCE

Leah Roy was selected as the 2019 winner of the Award for Excellence in Advising because of her tremendous dedication to advising, and the personal care and attention she gives to each of her advisees. She has been nominated by several students and colleagues over recent years. Many describe Professor Roy as caring deeply about the wellbeing of students "socially and personally," as well academically. Students note her dedication to knowing them individually. She is diligent in maintaining contact with advisees, even when they try to drift out of contact. One student wrote: "She treated us as her personal missions," and "I will forever be grateful she helped me find myself. Without her I might not be as happy at Wake Forest."

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JON REINHARDT AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED TEACHING TERRY BLUMENTHAL, PROFESSOR, PSYCHOLOGY



Terry Blumenthal joined Wake Forest as an Assistant Professor in 1987. He received the Award for Excellence in Research in 1996, and, in 2012, Neuroscience Faculty Mentor Award. He has a long history as a stellar example of what it means to be a Wake Forest teacher-scholar.

One of his former students classifies him as "both a lifelong student and a lifelong teacher in the truest sense of those words. He spends countless hours researching and teaching his students how to do their own research, not just because it is his job but because he lives to learn from the studies he creates and conducts." The student goes on to say, "In the classroom, his love of his subject is palpable and he never waivers from a love of physiological psychology, what it teaches us about people, and how that knowledge can be translated into bettering the world we live in ... quite simply, he embodies what a teacher should be because he is already all of those things and more."

Another pupil whom Professor Blumenthal taught as an undergraduate, shares how the recipient shaped his graduate career as well. "He served as my graduate adviser, and under his instruction, I learned many valuable lessons that I use today. His ability to explain and teach study design has aided me for my entire career." Additionally, he also taught the student "how to work in a group and act as leader ... He has been an integral part of my education and has guided me when I was young and needed that guidance. He taught me life skills that I continue to use today and am thankful for everything he has done. I know his impact has not just been isolated to myself, but he has had this impact on countless students throughout the years."

For his extensive research within the field of psychology and his impact on his students' academic interests, this year's Jon Reinhardt Award for Distinguished Teaching is presented to Terry Blumenthal, Professor of Psychology.

AWARD FOR
EXCELLENCE IN
RESEARCH
KRISTEN BEAVERS,
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,
HEALTH & EXERCISE
SCIENCE



Dr. Kristen Beavers has already established a national reputation of being an independent scholar and highly effective teacher/mentor. Her research focuses on the effect of intentional weight loss in older adults with obesity on changes in several indicators of health, including body composition, cardiometabolic function, and functional decline risk factors. To date, she has published more than 50 peer-reviewed papers in highly respected medical journals such as the *American Journal of Clinical Nutrition* and *Journal of Gerontology*. Dr. Beavers is the proud recipient of a Postdoctoral Individual National Research Service Award, Mentored Research Scientist Development Award, and most recently an Exploratory/ Developmental Research Development Award and Research Project Grant, all from the National Institute on Aging.

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH KRISTINA GUPTA, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, WOMEN'S, GENDER, & SEXUALITY STUDIES



Dr. Kristina Gupta's body of scholarship as a whole demonstrates a commitment to the ethics of biomedically contoured feminist dilemmas. Dr. Gupta's book, *Medical Entanglements: Rethinking Feminist Debates about Healthcare*, has just been published by Rutgers University Press (2020), and her 11 peer-reviewed articles have appeared in top-tiered international journals. She has also published two co-edited books. Already, scholars across numerous disciplines have cited Dr. Gupta's work more than 200 times. Scholars have hailed her work as "an absolute jewel" and "a shining example" to which researchers aspire. Others have described her work as "not only smart and accessible, but also urgently needed by feminists" around the world. Her reputation as an "outstanding scholar" is truly remarkable for one so early in her academic career.

THE DONALD O. SCHOONMAKER FACULTY AWARD FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE: ALAN BROWN, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, EDUCATION

This award was established in 1988 by the Wake Forest Alumni Council to recognize extraordinary community service of a respected teacher-scholar from the College or School of Business. The award was named in memory of Donald Schoonmaker ('60), Professor of Politics. This year's recipient is Associate Professor Alan Brown in the Department of Education.



FRATERNITY & SORORITY LIFE COMMUNITY PRESENTS FIRST ANNUAL FACULTY APPRECIATION AWARDS

The Interfraternity Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council, and Panhellenic Council have awarded the first annual Faculty Appreciation Awards to Assistant Professor Veronica Cole (Psychology) and Associate Professor Morna O'Neil (Art). The councils wanted to show appreciation to all faculty members during this time, since every professor had to exercise flexibility during this pandemic with their class schedule and curriculum.

The faculty members were chosen from a pool of 150 nominations for how they engage with students in and outside the classroom; how they teach their subject in a creative or innovative manner; and how they inspire continued learning of that particular subject among their students. Each faculty member received a Whole Foods Gift Card from the councils and they were also sent the individual nominations from each student.

OFFICE OF CIVIC AND COMMUNITY ENGAGMENT PRESENTS FACULTY SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARD

Given to a member of the Wake Forest faculty who represents the Pro Humanitate Teacher-Scholar ideal through their service to the broader community, this year's Faculty Service Excellence Award goes to Dr. Dani Parker-Moore. Recipients



of this award practice impactful ways to incorporate service-learning in their teaching and research, and/ or advising of community-engaged students, all of which are evident through Parker-Moore's work with the Wake Forest Freedom School.

WAKE FOREST DEBATE CELEBRATES COACH & TOURNAMENT AWARDS



Wake Forest
Associate Head
Debate Coach
and Assistant
Professor of
Practice, Dr.
Amber Kelsie,
has been voted
the No. 2 Overall
Coach and No. 3
Overall Judge for
the past decade
by the college
debate community.

Additionally, the Wake Forest College tournament, The Franklin R. Shirley Classic, has been voted the Best Regular

Season Tournament for the Decade, which extends the current streak of being voted the best regular season tournament every decade since the 1970s.

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Faculty Awards

CBOV LEADERSHIP AWARDS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Deadline extended to May 15 for faculty award; May 18 for new staff award

CBOV LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Faculty: MAY 15 Staff: MAY 18 It's time for nominations for the College Board of Visitors Faculty Leadership Award for the fourth consecutive year.

This award recognizes a faculty member who embraces this philosophy of academic leadership and community-building. The award is limited to permanent faculty (tenure track and teaching professors) working in the Undergraduate College. However, it is not limited to persons in formal leadership positions like department chair and program director.

The award recipient will receive an individual cash award as well as a donation to the recipient's academic department or program. The recipient and their department will be recognized at the Fall 2020 College Board of Visitors meeting.

Letters of nomination should detail with clear examples how the nominee embodies the role of an outstanding academic leader at Wake Forest. A copy of the nominee's CV should be submitted with the nomination letter. Nominations are due to Denise Griggs, Assistant to Dean Michele Gillespie, by May 15, 2020.

The College Board of Visitors is expanding their financial support for the new College Board of Visitors Staff Leadership Award.

This award will recognize a staff member who has a proven track record of supporting various Wake Forest colleagues in achieving a vision that includes but extends well beyond their own department or unit by pursuing opportunities for collaboration and innovation. Leadership is a valued practice and confirms that staff leaders can be effective agents of change on behalf of the institution, students, and colleagues. The award is limited to full-time staff working in the Undergraduate College. However, it is not limited to persons in formal leadership positions.

The award recipient will receive an individual cash award. The recipient and their department/unit will be recognized at the Fall 2020 College Board of Visitors' meeting.

Letters of nomination should detail with clear examples how the nominee embodies the role of an outstanding staff leader at Wake Forest. Nominations are due to **Denise Griggs**, Assistant to Dean Michele Gillespie, by **May 18, 2020**.

\$3 MILLION NSF GRANT SUPPORTS MUDAY, PEASE RESEARCH FOR HEAT-TOLERANT TOMATOES

Celebrating Excellence

Research looking into tomato pollination at high temperatures that could lead to future heat-tolerant crops has received a \$3 million grant from the National Science Foundation.

The coalition of scientists supported by this funding includes Gloria Muday, Charles M. Allen Professor of Biology and dire ctor of the Center for Molecular Signaling; James Pease, Assistant Professor of Biology at Wake Forest; and pollen expert Mark Johnson of Brown University, who was an undergraduate student of Muday's at Wake Forest. Click here for the full story.

BALLARD RECEIVES NSF CAREER AWARD

Grey Ballard, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, has received a prestigious CAREER award from the National Science Foundation for his project, "Communication-Avoiding Tensor Decomposition Algorithms."





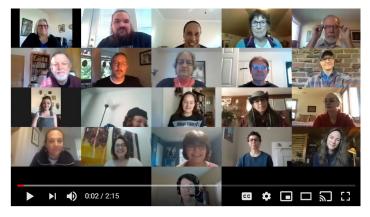
RONIGER RECEIVES DAVIS PRIZE

The Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies has awarded its 2020 Harold Eugene Davis Prize to Luis Roniger, Reynolds Professor of Latin American Studies in the Department of Politics and International Affairs, and his co-author Leonardo Senkman of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, in recognition of their article Conspirationism, Synarchism and the Long Shadow of Peron in Argentina. Read more about Roniger's award here.

Class of 2020 Celebrations

Congrats to the Glass of 2020







THEATRE AND DANCE

The Department of Theatre and Dance sent a special graduation message to the Class of 2020 in <u>this video</u>.

EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

The East Asian Languages and Cultures faculty sent their well wishes to graduating seniors with <u>this video</u>.

Don't Miss This Video from our Student-Athletes

It's great to hear our Wake Forest student-athletes tell us about their experiences in this video produced by the Academic Committee of Student Government. #GoDeacs



The URECA Center will be able to support 74 undergraduates this summer, 61 who have been awarded Wake Forest Research Fellowships and an additional 13 who have been awarded Arts and Humanities Fellowships. Both fellowships offer students unparalleled opportunities to work with faculty on mentored research projects, and all students will be working remotely from home.

Although Wake Forest is not able to support student international travel this summer, the Undergraduate Richter Committee awarded 34 Honorary Richter Scholarships to rising seniors based on the merit and potential of their applications. An additional 17 rising sophomores and rising juniors have been tentatively awarded Richter Scholarships that will be postponed until Summer 2021.

Cassie Ball

Majors: English and Religion Mentor: Jefferson Holdridge

Yiting Chai

Major: undeclared Mentor: Christian Miller

Eliza Drake

(supported by the Mellon Fund) Majors: Theatre and English Mentors: Ioanna Ruocco and Sharon Andrews

Dana Johnson

(supported by the Mellon Fund)

Major: undeclared Mentor: Keri Mathis

Wake Forest Arts and Humanities Research Fellowships

Akaya Lewis

Major: Sociology Mentor: Ana Iltis

Elena Marsh

Major: English

Mentor: Jessica Richard

Christina McGee

(supported by the Mellon Fund) Major: Psychology

Mentors: Christina Soriano and Christine Hugenschmidt

Katherine Pearson

Major: History Mentor: Alisha Hines

Kaitlyn Taylor

(supported by the Mellon Fund)

Major: Finance Mentor: Keri Mathis

Mariana Trabanino

Major: French

Mentor: Kendall Tarte

Katie Von Bargen

Major: Spanish

Mentor: Margaret Bender

Elise Wright

Major: History

Mentor: Monique O'Connell

Lian (Julianne) Zhu

(supported by the Mellon Fund) Major: Music and Psychology Mentor: Stewart Carter

Wake Forest Research Fellowships

Matthew Bagby

Major: Biology

Mentor: Miriam Ashley-Ross

Lydia Bierce

(supported by the Office of the Provost)

Major: Psychology Mentor: Kristen O'Hearn

Jialin Chen

Majors: Chemistry and Molecular Biology

Mentor: Mikhail A. Nikiforov

Addison Collins

Major: Politics and International Affairs

Mentor: Justin Esarey

Indy Collins

Major: Politics and International Affairs

Mentor: Betina Wilkinson

Max DeMarco

Major: Chemistry Mentor: Elham Ghadiri

Anthony DeVincentis

Majors: Psychology and Spanish Mentor: Sara Fernández Cuenca

Richard Diaz

Major: Mathematics and Statistics

Mentor: Sarah Raynor

Dandi (Thrandia) Dong

Major: Communication Mentor: Mollie Canzona

Xuanyu (Faye) Fang

Major: Biology

Mentor: Sarah McDonald

Danielle Farinella

Majors: Biology and Chemistry

Mentor: Regina Cordy

Wake Forest Research Fellowships (continued)

Anna Flowers

Major: Mathematical Statistics Mentor: Robert Erhardt

Julia Gass

Major: Engineering Mentor: Lauren Lowman

Daniela Gonzalez

(supported by the Office of the Provost)

Major: Biology Mentor: Neveen Said

Andy Greene

Major: Mathematical Statistics

Mentor: Natalia Khuri

Claire Griffin

Major: Engineering

Mentors: David Carroll and

Lindsey Gray

Tristan Harper

Major: Interdisciplinary Studies Mentor: Carrie Johnston

Max Hazlin

Major: Engineering

Mentors: Lauren Lowman and

Kyle Luthy

Grace Hofmann

Major: Mathematics Mentor: John Gemmer

Tien-Chi (Jason) Hou

Major: Biology Mentor: Ke Zhang

Alexis John

Major: Health and Exercise Science

Mentor: Kristen Beavers

Roddra Johnson

Majors: Economics and Mathematics

Mentor: James Pease

Micayla Jordan

Majors: Economics and Sociology

Mentor: Todd McFall



Megan Kilduff

Majors: History and

Politics and International Affairs Mentor: Charles William Walldorf Jr.

Alyssa Klier

Major: Communication Mentor: David Yamane

Robert Langfield

Major: Computer Science and

Mathematics

Mentor: Samuel Cho

Sixuan (Iris) Liu

Major: Mathematics and Statistics Mentor: Lucy D'Agostino McGowan

Quinton Loy

Majors: Biochemistry & Molecular

Biology and Psychology Mentor: Anthony Sali

Haoxin (Coco) Luo

Major: Mathematics and Statistics

Mentor: Staci Hepler

Zachary Mandel (supported by the

Center for Functional Materials)

Major: Chemistry Mentor: Michael Gross

Caitlyn Marsac

Majors: Health and Exercise Science and Mathematical Statistics

Mentors: Jason Grayson and

Natalia Khuri

Margaret C. Moran

Major: Health and Exercise Science

Mentor: Shannon Mihalko

Amanda Mosher

Major: Health and Exercise Science

Mentor: Jason Fanning

Jessica Moser

(supported by the Center for Functional

Materials)

Major: Biochemistry Mentor: Rong Chen

Alli Murmello

Major: Chemistry Mentor: John Lukesh

Danny Myers

Majors: Computer Science and

Philosophy

Mentors: Victor Paul Pauca and

Sarra Alqahtani

Lauren Neal

(supported by the Office of the Provost)

Majors: Chemistry and French

Mentor: Roy Strowd

Ryan Oglietti

Major: undeclared

Mentors: Jed Macosko and

George Holzwarth

Ana Rivas-Chavez

Major: Biology

Mentor: Erik C. Johnson

Haley Schulberg

Major: Politics and International Affairs

Mentor: John Dinan

Tanner Stewart

Major: Engineering Mentor: Erin Henslee

Zoe Stuckey

Major: Psychology Mentor: E.J. Masicampo

Yiwei (Isabella) Tian

Major: Computer Science Mentor: Jennifer Burg

Wake Forest Research Fellowships (continued)

Kelvin Tran

Major: Biology Mentor: Miles Silman

Emmaline Trentham

Major: Spanish Mentor: Glen Marrs

Rebecca Walker

Major: Biology Mentors: Jim Curran and David Ornelles

Catherine (Cat) Walwer

Major: Communication Mentor: Christopher Zarzar

Hannah Watson

Major: Biology Mentors: Wayne Silver and Cecil Saunders

Nathan Whitener

Majors: Computer Science and Mathematics Mentor: Natalia Khuri

Ana Worthington

Major: Interdisciplinary Studies Mentors: Ana Iltis and Chandylen Nightingale

Kevin Woytowich

Major: Mathematics and Statistics Mentors: Katherine Moore and Kenneth Berenhaut

Haoqing (Donald) Wu

Major: Chemistry Mentor: Ulrich Bierbach

Jingqian (William) Wu

Major: Computer Science Mentor: Sarra Alqahtani

Xiaotong (Eva) Wu

Majors: Music Performance and Psychology Mentor: Lisa Kiang

Hongyi Xu

(supported by the Office of the Provost)

Majors: Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and

Philosophy

Mentor: Karen Haas

Kebin Yan

Major: Mathematics and

Statistics

Mentor: Emily Huang

Chuanyang Yu

Major: Mathematics Mentor: John Holmes

Shiqi (Nikky) Yu

Major: Mathematics and

Statistics

Mentor: Sneha Jadhav

Qinger (Monica) Zeng

(supported by the Center for Functional Materials)

Major: Physics

Mentor: Ilaria Bargigia

Jingwen Zhang

Major: Computer Science Mentor: Minghan Chen

Luoping (Robin) Zhang

Major: Computer Science Mentor: Grey Ballard



Richter Scholarships

Sarah Ahmed (Honorary)

Major: Psychology Mentor: Mark Scholl

Mohamed Ahmidouch

(Honorary) Majors: Biology and Chemistry

Mentor: Steve Folmar

Grant Alexander

(Honorary) Major: Politics and International Affairs Mentor: Sarah Lischer

Cassie Ball (Honorary)

Majors: English and Religion Mentor: Jefferson Holdridge

Yujia (Alice) Cai

Majors: Biology and Mathematical Statistics Mentor: Staci Hepler

Caitlin Cregan

(Honorary) Major: History Mentor: Stephanie Koscak

Shudi (Didi) Dong

(Honorary)
Major: Music

Mentor: Stewart Carter

Jake duPlooy (Honorary)

Major: Politics and International Affairs Mentor: Helga Welsh

Xuanyu (Frank) Fang

(Honorary) Majors: Computer Science and Psychology Mentor: E.J. Masicampo

Francis Reed Fedowitz

(Honorary)

Major: Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Mentor: Rebecca Alexander

Kelsey Flores (Honorary)

Major: Biology

Mentor: Mollie Canzona

Maggie Fox

Major: Politics and International Affairs Mentor: Steve Gunkel

Elinor Grage

Major: Theatre

Mentor: Yasuko Takata

Rallings

Addie Griffin (Honorary)

Major: English Mentor: Mary Dalton

Claire Griffin (Honorary)

Major: Engineering Mentor: David Carroll

Sara Hong (Honorary)

Major: Health and Exercise Science Mentor: Peter Brubaker

Charles Horn

Majors: History and Politics & International

Affairs

Mentor: Susan Rupp

Kgosi Hughes

Major: undeclared Mentor: Patricia Lord

Grey Hyatt (Honorary)

Major: Biology Mentor: Saylor Breckenridge

Richter Scholarships (continued)

Chidi Iloabachie (Honorary)

Major: Health and Exercise Science

Mentor: Jason Fanning

Jacklyn (Jacks) Kernohan (Honorary)

Major: Psychology Mentor: Deborah Best

Andy Killebrew (Honorary) Majors: Economics and English

Mentor: Barry Maine

Alex Klee (Honorary)

Majors: Religious Studies and

Psychology

Mentor: Mark Jensen

Alice Li

Major: undeclared Mentor: Robert Hellyer

Xingxiang (Sean) Liu

Major: Music

Mentor: Stewart Carter

Yinqi Liu (Honorary)

Major: Music

Mentor: Marco Sartor

Grace MacNeil (Honorary)

Majors: Psychology and Spanish

Mentor: Linda Howe

Haonan Miao (Honorary)

Majors: Mathematics and Economics

Mentor: John Dalton

Cameron Munley (Honorary)

Majors: Biology and Anthropology

Mentor: Miles Silman

Lilian Nassif (Honorary)

Majors: English and Communication

Mentor: Cagney Gentry

Nana Ogburn (Honorary)

Major: English

Mentor: Stephanie Koscak

Grishma Patel

Major: Engineering Mentor: Kyana Young

Meghan Pressimone (Honorary)

Major: Chemistry

Mentor: Rebecca Alexander

Ben Raiford

Major: Mathematics Mentor: John Dalton

Colleen Riley (Honorary)

Major: Biology

Mentor: Wayne Silver

Dustin Rosh

Major: Spanish and Italian Mentor: Jerid Francom

Maya Sowells (Honorary)

Major: Communication Mentor: Polly Black

Kiah Stith (Honorary)

Major: English Mentor: Rian Bowie

Lejiu (Julie) Sun

Major: History

Mentor: Qiong Zhang

Pawita (Bella) Sunthornpong

Majors: Business and Enterprise Management and Psychology Mentor: E.J. Masicampo

Dylan Tynes

Majors: Economics and History Mentor: Monique O'Connell

Meredith Vaughn (Honorary)

Major: Engineering

Mentor: Monique O'Connell

Rebecca Walker (Honorary)

Major: Biology

Mentor: Patricia Lord

Wenxin (Christina) Wei

Major: Psychology Mentor: Heiko Wiggers

Siyu (Eva) Wu (Honorary)

Major: Computer Science Mentor: Molly Knight

Crista Wyrocki (Honorary)

Majors: English and Health and

Exercise Science Mentor: Jenny Pyke

Emma Young (Honorary)

Major: Communication
Mentor: Mary Dalton

Haorui (Laurent) Zhang

Majors: Accounting and Mathematical Statistics Mentor: Leann Pace

Yixin Zhang (Honorary)

Majors: Computer Science and

Mathematical Statistics Mentor: Victor Paul Pauca

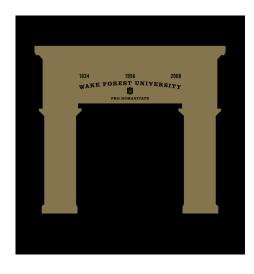
Fuyuan (Freya) Zheng

Major: Anthropology Mentor: Karin Friederic

Hairuo Zhu

Major: History

Mentor: Raisur Rahman



Fulbright Scholars

FULBRICHT

The following students or recent alumni have been selected for U.S. Student Fulbright Program Study/Research Scholarships or English Teaching Assistantships for the 2020-21 award cycle. Due to COVID-19 concerns, most of these placements will begin in January 2021.

Many thanks to our Campus Committee members who interviewed and nominated a total of 41 seniors and recent alumni in September and October. Of those, 20 students/alums were selected by Fulbright in January as semi-finalists. Of those, seven students have won Fulbrights and five more are currently alternates.

Congratulations to:

Yongsu (Jacob) ahn

Teaching Assistantship, Thailand

MORIAH JACKSON (MS-WFSOM)

Medical Sciences, Malaysia

LUDAN GBAYE

Neuroscience, Mexico

WILL MCKAY

Teaching Assistantship, Germany

DANIELLE MEDINA-HERNANDEZ (*18)

Biology, Denmark

THOMAS POSTON (918)

Developmental Studies, Cambodia

GRACE RUSSELL

Teaching Assistantship, Thailand

Five current seniors or recent alumni have been chosen as U.S. Student Fulbright Program alternates and may be elevated to Scholar or ETA status between now and the fall. Congratulations to:

EMMA BEVERIDGER Teaching Assistantship, Andorra

KALYN EPPS [919] Teaching Assistantship, Spain

JENNIFER HERNANDEZ-GONZALEZ? Teaching Assistantship, Germany

SPENCER MILANEK Teaching Assistantship, Germany

LIBBY MOHNS Teaching Assistantship, Taiwan



Department/Program Student Awards and Honors



The following awards have been given by the respective programs and departments (Note: the awards are listed by department/program):

Department of Anthropology Outstanding Senior Award for 2020 | Anthropology | Juliana Rubinatto Serrano

First Rank in the First Year Arabic | Omar Shaltout

Outstanding Senior in Arabic Arabic | David Mulder

Senior Award for Excellence in Arabic | Arabic | Ashley Estrela & Morgan Fogleman

Carolina Biological Supply Research Award | Biology | Mariel Olivia O'Connor

Walter S. Flory Outstanding Student in Biology Award Biology | Lydia Lucille Faber

The William C. and Ruth N. Archie Student Award BioChemistry | Celia Zhou

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (BMB) Research **Award** | Biochemistry and Molecular Biology | Callie Elizabeth Ollish

Riley Scholarship Award Center for Entrepreneurship Erick A. Mora

Senior of the Year Award Center for Entrepreneurship Phillip S. Yurchenko

The ACS Division of Inorganic **Chemistry Undergraduate Award in Inorganic Chemistry** | Chemistry | Paul Keegan Rose

The ACS Division of Organic **Chemistry Undergraduate** Award in Organic Chemistry Chemistry | Daniel Santana

The ACS Division of Physical **Chemistry Undergraduate Award in Physical Chemistry** | Chemistry | Yunxin Yao & Noah Hunter Watkins

Blackbyrd Scholarship Chemistry | Noah Hunter Watkins

The Grant Madison Backerman, American Institute of Chemists Foundation **Undergraduate Student Award** | Chemistry | Nolan Michael

James & Courtenay Harton Scholarship for Chemical **Industry** | Chemistry | **Gabriel James Sowards**

John W. Nowell Award in **Undergraduate Chemistry** | Chemistry | Noah Hunter Watkins

The Royal Society of Chemistry Certificate of Excellence Award | Chemistry | Madison Amy Kalk & Sheehan Tucker Payne

Andronica Award | Classics | Zoe Clav

Classical Association of the Middle, West and South **Outstanding Student Award** Classics | Zoe Schneider

Honors in Classical Studies Classics | Erin McCombe & Zoe Schneider

Honors in Classical Languages: Latin | Classics | **Emelyn Hatch**

M. D. Phillips Award | Classics | **Emelyn Hatch**

Society for Classical Studies Outstanding Student Award | Classics | Emelyn Hatch

The John W. Sawyer Award | Computer Science | Emily (Xuqing) Luo

Outstanding Major in Chinese | East Asian Languages & Cultures | Alexandra Grace Casale

Outstanding Minor in Japanese | East Asian Languages & Cultures | Jasmine Kasumi **Roby**

Outstanding Minor in Chinese | East Asian Languages & **Cultures** | **Jacquelyn Sanders**

David and Lelia Farr Prize for Excellence in Economics | Economics | James Albert Ridgeway

David and Lelia Farr Prize for **Excellence in Mathematical** Economics | Economics | **Robert Dominic Michele**

Bashir El-Beshti Prize in Renaissance Studies | English | **Christopher David Verrill**

DA Brown Award in Creative Writing | English | Carson Elizabeth Markland

The H. Broadus Jones Senior Excellence Award | English | **Grace Franzese**

The Jerry B. and Callie Irene **Stone Award Honoring Professor Alonzo Kenion** English | Allison Mae Curley

Harold Dawes Parcell Award for Excellence in French French Studies | Katherine **Margaret Dougherty**

James C. O'Flaherty Award in Excellence in German and German Studies | German and Russian | KB Omar A. Pasha

The Paul M. Ribisl Health and **Exercise Science Academic** Achievement Award | Health and Exercise Science | Jordan Neoma Pizzarro



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The William L. Hottinger Health and Exercise Science Major Contribution Award | Health and Exercise Science | Grace Elisabeth Russell

The Michael S. Lawlor Award for
Outstanding Student in the Health Policy
& Administration Minor | Health Policy
& Administration Minor | Grace Elisabeth
Russell

Outstanding Elementary Hindi-Urdu Student | Hindi-Urdu | Shardil Ahmad

Outstanding Intermediate Hindi-Urdu Student | Hindi-Urdu | Elizabeth Dicus

Forrest W. Clonts Award for Excellence in History | History | Jack Beyrer & Julia Jeannette Mroz

Outstanding Senior in the Global Trade and Commerce Studies Minor | International Studies | Erin C. Perry & Brandon P. Schmetterer

Outstanding Senior in International Studies Minor | International Studies | Alice Romanov

The Bynum G. Shaw Prize in Journalism | Journalism | Elizabeth Maline

Outstanding Minor in LALS | Latin American and Latino Studies Program | Lauren Mauney & Ellie Bruggen

M. Stanley Whitley Award for Excellence in Linguistics | Linguistics Program | Matthew Tyler Capps

1976 Math Faculty Legacy Prize in Statistics | Mathematics & Statistics | Weixi Cheng

Driggs Mathematics Award | Mathematics & Statistics | **Addie Harrison**

The John Y. Phillips Prize in Mathematics | Mathematics & Statistics | Dylan King

Outstanding Statistics Student Award | Mathematics & Statistics | Weixi Cheng

The William C. and Ruth N. Archie Student Award | Mathematics & Statistics | Dylan King



Honors in Middle East and South Asia Studies | Middle East and South Asia Studies | Yabsear Bekele; Paige Cohen; Morgan Fogleman; & Mohammad Malik

The Giles-Harris Competition in Piano: The Sinal Prize | Music | Andrew Murphy

The Gregory D. Pritchard Scholar Award in Philosophy | Philosophy | Dylan Franklin Brown

William Eugene Speas Memorial Award | Physics | Jiqing Zhu & Robert William Bradford

The C.H. Richards Award for Excellence in Politics and International Affairs | Politics & International Affairs | Ashley Estrela

The Donald O. Schoonmaker Student Prize for Community Service | Pro Humanitate | Ellie Bruggen

The Robert C. Beck Prize for Excellency in Psychology | Psychology | Grace E. Anderson

Daughters of the American Revolution Gold Award \mid ROTC \mid Abigail Moore

Military Distinguished Graduate Award | ROTC | Abigail Moore, Hunter Stinson, & Gabriel Sowards

Reserve Officers Association (ROA) Gold Medal | ROTC | Robert Faulkner Wilson

Ruth Foster Campbell Award for Excellence in Spanish | Spanish and Italian | Megan Sierra Elwood The John Allen Easley Award in Religious Studies | Study of Religions | Rebecca McKinley Parsons

The John Thomas Albritton Award for Excellence in Biblical Studies | Study of Religions | Michael Luke

Caroline Sandlin Fullerton Acting
Awards | Theatre and Dance | Lainey
Drake - Li'l Bit (How I Learned to Drive);
R. J. Pratt - John Proctor (The Crucible);
Elijah Brown (Ever in the Glades);
Christopher Quiroz - Rev. John Hale
(The Crucible); Adarian Sneed - Chorus
(How I Learned to Drive); Katy Milian Abigail Williams (The Crucible); & Sophie
Thomas - Mary Warren (The Crucible)

Dyeann and Henry Jordan Theatre Scholarship | Theatre and Dance | Cassidy Noble (renewed), Lainey Drake, Gwyneth Lonergan, & Christopher Quiroz

Faculty and Staff Special Recognition | Theatre and Dance | Matt Crawford & Jonathan Chen

Harold Tedford Dedication to Theatre Award | Theatre and Dance | Victoria Hardgett

Hugo Award for Design | Theatre and Dance | **Silin Chen & Christian Ricci**

Johnnie Collins III Drama Scholarship | Theatre and Dance | Sophie Thomas

The Knox Dance Scholar Award | Theatre and Dance | Payton E. Calvert, Donna C. Moseley, & Mckenzie LeeAnn Needham

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Marie Bagby Service to AAP Award | Theatre and Dance | Izzi Einhorn

Senior Theatre Scholar for Academic Excellence | Theatre and Dance | Madeleine Ash, Katy Milian, Silin Chen, & Victoria Hargett

Senior Service | Theatre and Dance | Madeleine Ash, Silin Chen, Ria Matheson, Habby Olusesi, & Christian Ricci

Southeastern Theatre Conference Awards presented at Annual Conference in Louisville | Theatre and Dance | Silin Chen - 1st Place Scenic Design for Ever in the Glades; Silin Chen - Honorable Mention Projections Design for How I Learned to Drive; & Michael Littrell - Second Place Sound Design for Ever in the Glades

The Wake Forest University Theatre Association Academic Award for Excellence | Theatre and Dance | Madeleine Ash, Kathryn Juliet Milian, Silin Chen, & Victoria Rose Hargett The Florence Robinson Neuroscience Award | Undergraduate Neuroscience Program | Grace Anderson

The Academic Award for Outstanding Senior | Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies | Madeline Marianne Katsarelis

The Anne Boyle Award | Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies | Quynh Nhu T. Vu

The Elizabeth Phillips Award for the Best Essay | Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies | Meara Waxman

The Leadership Award for Outstanding Senior | Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies | Catherine (Cat) Marie Mizzi

ADDITIONAL AWARDS

The Lura Baker Paden Award | Sarah Hope Shmerler

The Delmer P. Hylton Accountancy Award | Cheng Chi

The Academic Excellence in Finance Award | Kenneth Carter Van Winkle

The Academic Excellence in Mathematical Business Award | Isaac R. Satterwhite

The Patel Prize in Finance | Kenneth Carter Van Winkle

The Levar Hairston Courage Award | James Edward Sowa & Harry Baker Young

The Spirit of Wayne Calloway Award | Kenneth Carter Van Winkle