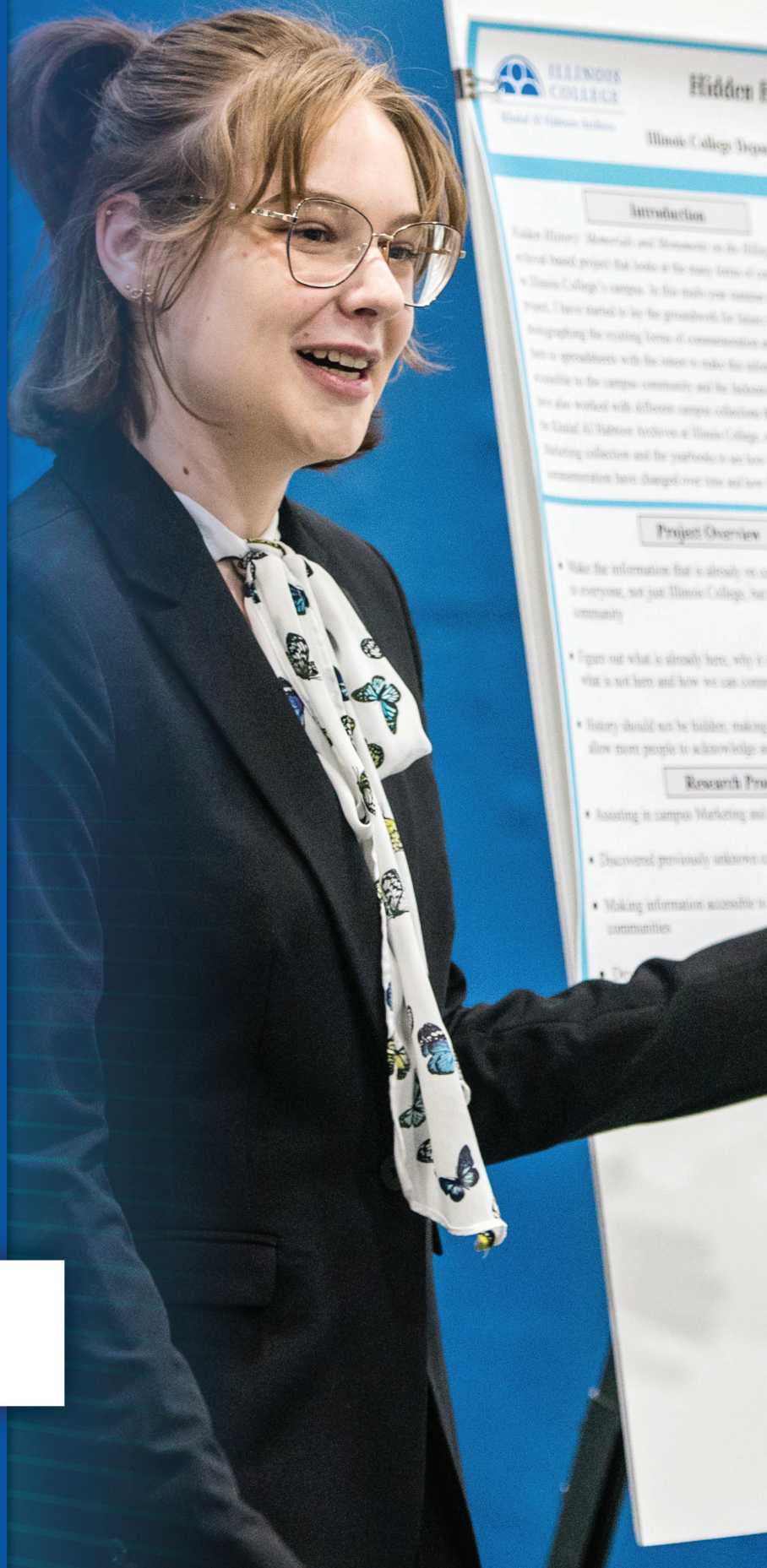


ILLINOIS COLLEGE CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE

April 19, 2024



ILLINOIS COLLEGE
Model of Hidden Archives

Hidden

Illinois College Dept.

Introduction

Hidden History: Memorial and Monuments on the Illinois
without based project that looks at the many forms of
in Illinois College's campus. In the multi-year summer
project, I have started to be the grassroots movement
throughout the existing forms of commemoration and
how to specialists with the intent to make the information
available to the campus community and the hidden
we also worked with different campus collections to
the Great & Hidden Archives at Illinois College, a
history collection and the yearbook to see how
commemoration have changed over time and how

Project Overview

- Make the information that is already on campus
to everyone, not just Illinois College, but
community
- Figure out what is already here, what
what is not here and how we can connect
- History should not be hidden, making
allow more people to acknowledge and

Research Pro

- Assisting in campus Marketing and
- Document previously unknown
- Making information accessible to
communities

Friday, April 19, 2024

9 a.m. :: **Concurrent Sessions** :: Crispin and McGaw

11:15 a.m. :: **Music Honors Recital** :: Rammelkamp Chapel

1 p.m. :: **Art Exhibition** :: Woodcock Gallery - McGaw

1 p.m. :: **Concurrent Session** :: Sibert Theatre

2 p.m. :: **Poster Session** :: King Field House, Bruner Fitness and Recreation Center

3 p.m. :: **Honors Convocation** :: Sherman Gym

4:15 p.m. :: **Division Awards** :: Bruner Fitness and Recreation Center

Division I :: Sherman Gym

Division II :: Multipurpose Room

Division III :: King Field House

4:45 p.m. :: **Reception** :: Bruner Concourse

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Concurrent Sessions - Student Presentations

	9 to 9:15 a.m.	9:20 to 9:35 a.m.	9:40 to 9:55 a.m.	10 to 10:15 a.m.
Crispin 125	The Necessity of Advocacy as a Curriculum <i>Presenter:</i> Luis Avila-Alvarez <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Jaime Klein	Student Engagement in Higher Education - A Look at Introductory Biology Courses at Illinois College <i>Presenter:</i> Ally Wiseman <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Meredith Kunz	Economics and Popular Culture <i>Presenters:</i> Imasuen Odosamwren and Mira Shaholli <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Marilyn Markel	College Student Identity and Educational Attainment in the United States <i>Presenter:</i> Abigail Buchanan-Kenzinger <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Marilyn Markel
Crispin 210		History & Community: The Work in Progress of The Pullman National Historic Park <i>Presenter:</i> Shawn Oderio <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Robert Kunath	What Happened to the Theravada Buddhist Nuns: The Attempted Revival of the Saṅgha in 1990's and the Role of Gender in Buddhism <i>Presenter:</i> Elise Griffin <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Robert Kunath	Andrew Jackson: Choke with Rage <i>Presenter:</i> Kellen Peterson <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Robert Kunath
Crispin 215	To Make Generations: The Enduring Legacy of Jazz and Blues in Black Literature <i>Presenter:</i> Olivia Joy <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Lisa Udel	The Ring Shout <i>Presenter:</i> Ruidong "Victor" Yang <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Lisa Udel	Biracial Women's Experiences During the Harlem Renaissance Through the Fiction of Nella Larsen & Jessie Redmon Fauset <i>Presenter:</i> Edris Roman <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Lisa Udel	Gays Through the Decades: Visiting Spirits and Loving Her in Giovanni's Room <i>Presenter:</i> Abby Cantrell <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Lisa Udel
Dunham Auditorium	MXene/graphene-oxide-based microsupercapacitor with laser-scribed fractal design <i>Presenter:</i> Carson E. Beyers <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Josiah Kunz	Examination of the upper limb during Mallet Percussion: A pilot study <i>Presenter:</i> Jewelianna Fuqua <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Prasanna Acharya	Screening Orchid Mycorrhizal Fungi for Antimicrobial Activity <i>Presenter:</i> Rachael Rosenstengel and Max Balding <i>Faculty Sponsors:</i> Gwendowlyn Knapp, Brent Chandler, and Lawrence Zettler	A comparative approach to the analysis of insectivorous bat distress calls <i>Presenter:</i> Jordan Morgan <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Bryan Arnold
Sibert Theatre			The Evolution of Scriptwriting from Page to Stage <i>Presenters:</i> Lillian Deter, Olivia Joy, Jake Petrovich with Meryn Davis, MacKenzie Jones, Mickey Saunders and Victor Yang <i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Nancy Taylor Porter	

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Concurrent Sessions - Student Presentations

10:20 to 10:35 a.m.	10:40 to 10:55 a.m.		1 to 1:25 p.m.	1:30 to 1:55 p.m.
<p style="text-align: center;">Media Portrayals of Crime</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenter:</i> Olivia Treffinger</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Angela Gonzales Balfe</p>				
<p style="text-align: center;">Abraham Lincoln: Celebrated Hero, Complicated Human.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenter:</i> Brayden Weaver</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Robert Kunath</p>				
<p style="text-align: center;">Transcending Religion Through Spiritual Elasticity</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenter:</i> Reilly Nelson</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Lisa Udel</p>				
<p style="text-align: center;">Determination and Analysis of the White Fringeless Orchid's Nectar Composition</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenter:</i> Thomas McCluskie</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Brent Chandler and Lawrence Zettler</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">An update on research involving the Green Sea Turtle (<i>Chelonia mydas</i>) and its nesting sites in Western Cuba.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenters:</i> Camryn Fryrear, Ally Wiseman, Emma South, Alex Nunes, Emily Maag, Jordan Morgan and Devan Morgan</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Larry Zettler and Steven Gardner</p>			
	<p style="text-align: center;">The Voices of <i>Forté</i>, IC's Literary Journal</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenters:</i> Ava Maria Mendoza, Myasia Madkins, Olivia Joy, Rachael Rostenstengel, Eddie Fox-Cummings, Serenity Vasquez, Kate Phillips and Edris Roman</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Kara Dorris</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Shakespeare Monologues and Combat Scenes for 2024</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Presenters:</i> Meryn Davis, Lillian Deter, Jake Petrovich, Mickey Sanders and Victor Yang</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Faculty Sponsor:</i> Nancy Taylor Porter</p>	

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Department of Music Honors Recital

11:15 a.m. :: Rammelkamp Chapel

Piano Sonata “Tempest” Op. 31, No 2 Ludwig van Beethoven
I. Largo-Allegro
Kailee Eldridge, piano

Ave Maria Franz Schubert

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
Now and at the hour of our death.*

Wendy Doolittle, mezzo-soprano
Dr. Nichol DelGiorno, piano

Sonate Op. 168 Camille Saint-Saëns
2. Allegro scherzando

Devin Boggs, bassoon
Dr. Nichol DelGiorno, piano

Spring Has Come Fumihiro Ono
Jewelianna Fuqua, marimba; Kailee Eldridge, piano

“Tell My Father” from *The Civil War* Murphy/Wildhorn, arr. A. Ramsay

Blue Tie Affair:
Luis Avila Alvarez, Blake Buckles, Christopher Jones (soloist), Luke Laurenzana,
Haydn Leonard, Ekko Nguyen, Jacob Petrovich, Benjamin Rhea
Dr. Nichol DelGiorno, piano

Dean Town Vulfpeck
Will Jurgens, electric guitar; Jewelianna Fuqua, bass guitar;
Miles Atkins, keyboard; Prof. Tyler Carpenter, drumset

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Senior Showcase: With A Touch of Style

1 to 1:55 p.m. :: Woodcock Gallery, McGaw

Presenting “A Touch of Style,” where the Department of Communication Arts proudly exhibits the culmination of efforts from two graduating seniors in Art and Design in Visual Studies. These students have dedicated countless hours to shaping their unique artistic sensibilities and convictions.

“A Touch of Style” showcases the versatility in subject matter, medium, and style, seamlessly blending the digital realm with the physical, handmade aspect of art creation. Drawing from personal experiences, each student delves into their chosen medium, merging years of education to explore a central theme for their thesis work. This collection not only reflects a commitment to the relationship between thought and creation but also highlights the fusion of digital innovation with traditional craftsmanship.

Throughout the exhibition, students will share their journey of exploration, research, and experimentation with digital tools and traditional materials. They invite viewers to witness the convergence of technology and handmade artistry, emphasizing the significance of trusting the creative process. Each stroke and pixel contributes to the evolution of their artistic vision, marking a unique path forward in the world of contemporary art.

ARTISTS:

Noah Postin

Tony Loaiza

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Art Exhibition

1 to 1:55 p.m. :: McGaw Lobby, McGaw

Additional student work is showcased in the McGaw Art Lobby. These works highlight moments of visual and creative excellence.

ARTISTS:

Ella Middleton

Leslie Earles

Edris Roman

Ekko Nguyen

Rylee Dood

Shannon Engman

Isabella Aguirre

Aaron McBride

Chisato Saiki

Sarah Alexander

Lucas Schultz

Valentine Orizi

Tatum Wimbrow

Patricia Rivera

Sierra Brewer

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Poster Presentations

King Fieldhouse | 2:00 – 2:55 p.m.

Poster	Presenter(s)	Title
1	Abigail Glaser	Applying the Risk Propensity Model of Nursing to College Student Risk Taking <i>Faculty Sponsor: Elizabeth Rellinger Zettler</i>
2	Melissa Rufus	Authoritarian Parenting and Risk Propensity in College Students <i>Faculty Sponsor: Elizabeth Rellinger Zettler</i>
3	Sierra Brewer	Film Genres and Risk Propensity: Analyzing Correlations in College Students <i>Faculty Sponsor: Elizabeth Rellinger Zettler</i>
4	Rebecca Hudson	The Association between Physical Fitness and Academic Performance in College-aged Students <i>Faculty Sponsor: Alex Wolfe</i>
5	Hannah Lueke	Reverse Engineering of a VanDam Feeder <i>Faculty Sponsor: Josiah Kunz</i>
6	Sam Hannig	Investigating the Reusability Potential of a Water-Soluble Ruthenium Catalyst for Benzamide Synthesis <i>Faculty Sponsor: Jocelyn Lanorio</i>
7	Sam Hannig and Nikolas Wollenhaupt	Journey Towards Goniotalamin: Unveiling Progress and Insights in the Synthesis of an Antitumor Molecule <i>Faculty Sponsor: Jocelyn Lanorio</i>
8	Marvin Romo	Sexual Dimorphism and Ontogeny of the Human Frontal Bone and Eye Orbit <i>Faculty Sponsor: Miranda Karban</i>
9	Hugo Gil-Diaz	Development of the human mandible over time <i>Faculty Sponsor: Miranda Karban</i>
10	Madison Webb	Sex-related difference of cognitive functions among college soccer players with and without concussion history during season? Pre vs Post <i>Faculty Sponsor: Prasanna Acharya</i>
11	Logan Schweigert	Antimicrobial Assessment of Central Illinois Soil Bacterial Isolates Against ESKAPE Bacterial Strains <i>Faculty Sponsor: Gwendowlyn Knapp</i>
12	Isabelle Norris	Characterization of YidZ, a Putative LysR-Type Transcriptional Regulator <i>Faculty Sponsor: Gwendowlyn Knapp</i>
13	Michelle R. Maag	Searching for antimicrobials from the soil to fight antibiotic resistance <i>Faculty Sponsor: Gwendowlyn Knapp</i>
14	Zach Renken	The Use of Automated Recorders to Examine Shifting Insectivorous Bat Population Trends in Siloam Springs State Park <i>Faculty Sponsor: Bryan Arnold</i>
15	Ava Maria Mendoza	The Use of Automated Recorders to Assess the Effects of Environmental Factors on Foraging Activity of Insectivorous Bats in Siloam Springs State Park <i>Faculty Sponsor: Bryan Arnold</i>

<i>Poster</i>	<i>Presenter(s)</i>	<i>Title</i>
16	Ava Maria Mendoza	Seeing Yourself in the Academic Library: A Diversity Audit of Illinois College's Schewe Library's American Fiction <i>Faculty Sponsor: Mckenna Jacquemet</i>
17	Mackenzie Strong	The Institutionalization Of Disabilities- Why Willowbrook Made A Difference <i>Faculty Sponsor: Robert Kunath</i>
18	Dane Huber	Game Theory Optimality In Simple Games <i>Faculty Sponsor: Marilyn Markel</i>
19	Jiech Bel	InclusiveImpact Internship: Cultivating Diversity and Belonging <i>Faculty Sponsor: Brittney Yancy</i>

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Honors Convocation

3 p.m. :: Sherman Gymnasium

Prelude	Music for the Royal Fireworks Suite, George Frideric Handel Concerto Grosso in C, George Frideric Handel
Processional (please stand)	Overture, George Frideric Handel
Welcome	Catharine E. O’Connell, Ph.D. Provost and Dean of the College
Reflections on Excellence	Provost O’Connell
Don P. Filson Faculty Award for Vision for the Future	Provost O’Connell
2024-2025 Class Marshals Announcement	Provost O’Connell
Rammelkamp Honor Scholars	Provost O’Connell
Phi Beta Kappa, Academic National Honor Fraternity Announcement	Bernd Estabrook, Ph.D. Professor of Global Studies-German
The <i>Enkyklios</i> Professor Award	Laura Corey, Ph.D. Dean of Faculty
Julian M. Sturtevant Campus Leadership and Service Award	Jessica Edonick, Ph.D. Dean of Students
Lincoln Laureates Announcement	Barbara A. Farley, Ph.D. President of the College

Harry Joy Dunbaugh Distinguished Professor Award President Farley

Closing President Farley

Alma Mater (please stand) Ruth Badger Pixley
Music by A. Boyd Pixley

Illinois dear Alma Mater
Ivy'd Beecher, Sturtevant
Here we sign thy
Loving praises,
Here, renew our covenant.

Hail forever, Alma Mater
May thy children
Bring thee fame.
Hail forever, Illinois
In our hearts shall live thy name.

Recessional (please stand) La Rejouissance and Minuet Finale,
George Frideric Handel



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Division I

ART AND DESIGN IN VISUAL STUDIES HONORS

Elizabeth Caine Art Award

Awarded to an outstanding senior art major

Noah Postin

Carlson-Damsgaard Family Award in Art

Awarded to two students in the visual arts program with excellent original work

Leslie Earles and Patricia Rivera

Mary Capps and Samuel N. Osborne Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a student entering the junior year with the intention of majoring in art

Leslie Earles

Wilburn Art Award

Awarded to the most promising beginning student in studio art or art history

Tony Loaiza

Division I *continued*

COMMUNICATION AND RHETORICAL STUDIES HONORS

William Jennings Bryan Professional Promise Award

Awarded to the seniors who have demonstrated extraordinary potential for integrating professional excellence, active citizenship and servant leadership

*Macie Beer, Grant James, Dariana Libreros,
Carlos Limon and Anna McKee*

Communication & Rhetorical Studies Academic Excellence Award

Awarded each year to a student who has demonstrated overall excellence in terms of classroom performance in the Department of Communication & Rhetorical Studies in their previous year(s) at Illinois College.

Sarra Faust

National Communication Association Outstanding Senior Award

Awarded to an outstanding senior in the communication studies department

Thomas Menke

George Gridley Wood Award in Speech

Award is given each year for excellence in speech and debate.

1st place: Roxann Richardson

2nd place: Emily Brimer

Adrienne E. Hacker Daniels Award

Jack Pickerill

Lambda Pi Eta (*Communication Studies*)

*Macie Beer, Paige Bruce, Matthew Hill, Grant James,
Dariana Libreros, Thomas Menke, Aniya Palleria,
Kayla Piper and Emma Trumann*

ENGLISH HONORS

Achievement Award in Creative Writing

Fiction: Danielle Simpson

Poetry: Zach Steinkamp

Helen Conlee Curtis Prize in English

Awarded to the outstanding senior English majors

Edris Roman

Elma Shipe Savage Dixson Scholarship

Awarded to a student majoring in English education

Katelyn Phillips

Wilma Leslie Garnett Endowed Scholarship

Awarded to the student entering the junior year who has proven scholarship in English literature

Olivia Joy

Roscoe G. Linder Scholarship in English

Awarded to an English major exhibiting academic excellence, growth, dependability, leadership and service to the community

Abby Cantrell

Mary Wade Seybold Prize in English

Awarded to a student who has the best research paper in an advanced course in English

Edris Roman

Thomas Smith Prize in English

Awarded for excellence in one or more courses in advanced composition

Olivia Joy

Margaret Foley Johnson Endowed Scholarship

Awarded to the rising senior female English major who excels in literature

Edris Roman

Sigma Tau Delta (*English*)

*Madeline Benson, Sierra Brewer, Jaycie Edwards,
Olivia Joy, Claire Peters, Kate Phillips,
Rachael Rosenstengel, Zach Steinkamp
and Serenity Vasquez*

Division I *continued*

MUSIC HONORS

Ruth Melville Bellatti Music Honor Scholarship

Awarded to major or minor for excellence in music performance and scholarship

Jewelianna Fuqua

Roscoe G. Linder Band Scholarship

Awarded to leading instrumental musicians in the Illinois College Wind Ensemble

Anja Muller, Alexis Gil-Ayala and Gabe Minton

Robert and Loreene Ray Music Scholarship

Awarded for outstanding vocal or instrumental performance

Kailee Eldridge

Jonathan Edward Spilman Choral Award

Awarded to leading vocal musicians in the choirs

*Jacob Petrovich, Christopher Jones
and Benjamin Rhea*

Mary C. Stetson Music Scholarship

Awarded for outstanding participation in music

Haydn Leonard and Elise Griffin

Fred Stanford Drumline Award

Awarded for outstanding performance or leadership in the Drumline

Jewelianna Fuqua

THEATRE HONORS

John G. Anderson Award in Theatre

Awarded to a student who demonstrates dedicated and consistent excellence in theatre productions

Olivia Joy

Diana Dawdy Chesley Award in Technical Theatre

Awarded for outstanding achievement in technical theatre

Allyson Holste

Dennis J. Ryan Memorial Drama Award

Awarded for an outstanding single achievement in the dramatic arts

Sam Morgan

Gerald and Dorothy Staley Senior Award in Theatre

Awarded to a senior demonstrating growth and accomplishment both onstage and backstage

Victor Yang

Illinois College Theatre Patrons Scholarship

Awarded to theatre majors whose performance work onstage and in the classroom demonstrates both accomplishment and devotion to the performing arts

Mickey Sanders

GLOBAL STUDIES HONORS

Edith Rammelkamp Elliott Memorial Award in Modern Languages

Awarded to outstanding sophomore students who have declared a major in a modern language and demonstrated knowledge and interest in the activities, accomplishments and problems of other human beings home and abroad, and have the ability to function well in various social and academic settings

Cassandra (Bunny) Little and Bianca Popet

Ruth L. Fosnaugh Award

Awarded for outstanding achievement in elementary Spanish

Emily Guest

Frances Frisch Memorial Award

Awarded to a student desiring to travel abroad

Isaac Phillips

Martha L. Behr-Miller and William R. Miller Award for Foreign Study

Awarded to a junior or senior student desiring to study abroad

Noah Horsman

Gordon Seator Foreign Travel Award

Awarded to a student desiring to travel abroad

Tega Ekasa

Miguel and Carmen Arce Student Award

Awarded to a student studying Spanish abroad who demonstrates high achievement.

Tega Ekasa

Carlea Melissa Steinmacher Wiedner Travel Award

Awarded to a rising junior or senior student studying Spanish abroad

Tega Ekasa

Division II

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES HONORS

Elaine Chapman Award for Outstanding Health Sciences Major

Josh Platzbecker

Willis DeRyke Prize in Biology

Awarded to the best students in introductory biology

Jenna Sharp and Juliana Rensing

Friedrich Engelbach, MD Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to students exhibiting an aptitude in the sciences who intend to pursue a degree in a health related field

Kacey Swisher and Ella Argianas

Lucas Memorial Science Award

Awarded to an outstanding senior pre-medical student

Max Balding

Gerald A. Lucas Prize in Biology

Awarded to a senior major with the highest average in biology

Isabella Aguirre and Rebecca Hudson

Sokolis Prize in Ecological Consciousness

Awarded to the seniors who have demonstrated a concern for preserving the natural environment and a desire to enter the field of ecological conservation

Jordan Morgan, Shannon Engmann and Ally Wiseman

Ray and Irene Steinheimer Scholarship

Awarded to a sophomore majoring in a health science - medicine, dentistry, veterinary, nursing, medical technology, occupational therapy or physical therapy

Marvin Romo

Dr. Fred E. Deatherage Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a student entering the junior year majoring in biology or chemistry

Paola Gonzalez and Sam Hannig

Dr. Robert R. and Beatrice H. Hartman Scholarship

Awarded to a worthy senior student majoring in pre-medicine

Bella Aguirre

Beta Beta Beta (Biology)

Anthony Aguilar, Max Balding, Abigail Beddingfield, Kate Burr, Ashly Cedeno Mawyin, Riley Chitwood, Stephanie Flores, Alexis Gil-Ayala, Hugo Gil-Diaz, Kendra LaMarsh, Emily Maag, Michelle Maag, Isabelle Norris, Chukwuka Nwaokolo, Zach Renken, Logan Schweigert and Ashlyn Wightman

Division II *continued*

CHEMISTRY HONORS

ACS Collegiate Scholastic Award

Awarded to recognize outstanding undergraduate chemistry students and promote interest in chemistry as a profession

Zachary Dimond

ACS POLYED Organic Chemistry Achievement Award

Awarded for outstanding performance by an undergraduate chemistry major in the two semester organic sequence

Ali Daoud

American Institute of Chemists Outstanding Senior Award (Biochemistry)

Awarded to an outstanding senior(s) majoring in biochemistry in recognition of a demonstrated record of ability, leadership and professional promise

Devin Boggs

American Institute of Chemists Outstanding Senior Award (Chemistry)

Awarded to an outstanding senior majoring in chemistry in recognition of a demonstrated record of ability, leadership and professional promise

Thomas McCluskie

CRC Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award

Awarded to a first-year student demonstrating significant achievement in the general chemistry course

Melisa Stillo

Arthur C. Hart Prize in Chemistry

Awarded to an outstanding student entering the junior year majoring in chemistry who shows promise of academic achievement in the field

Jacob Petrovich

Leo F. and Lorraine O. Heneghan Chemistry Prize

Awarded to a chemistry major completing his/her senior year, who has been accepted by a graduate school and plans to pursue the Ph.D. degree in chemistry or the molecular sciences

Emma Green

ACS Undergraduate Award in Inorganic Chemistry

Awarded to recognize achievement by undergraduate students in inorganic chemistry and to encourage further study in the field

Sam Hannig

Dr. Fred E. Deatherage Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to students entering their junior year majoring in biology or chemistry

Paola Gonzalez and Sam Hannig

Jeanne Rantz Rammelkamp Scholarship

Awarded to a female student(s) entering the junior year majoring in one of the sciences (chemistry, physics or astronomy) or mathematics

Ashly Cedeno and Katie Mae Milhiser

COMPUTER SCIENCE HONORS

Levi, Ray & Shoup Scholarship

Awarded to a rising sophomore, junior, or senior declared computer science major who has demonstrated academic excellence

Kevin Lopez

Outstanding Graduate in Computer Science

Awarded to the graduating seniors who have demonstrated outstanding performance in the computer sciences

Kati Casey

Ts'ing-Hi Tong Computer Science Award

Awarded to a junior computer science major

Aniya Palleria

MATHEMATICS HONORS

Charlotte E. Hart Prize in Mathematics

Awarded to an outstanding sophomore mathematics major who shows promise of academic achievement in the field

Glenn Conway

Earle B. Miller Scholarship in Mathematics

Awarded to a junior for outstanding achievement in mathematics courses who gives promise of future usefulness

Arnaud Rioual

Thomas Smith Prize in Mathematics

Awarded to a first-year and a sophomore showing the greatest promise in mathematics

1st year: Robby Biesenthal and Lucia Sanchez Blanco

Sophomore: Cameron Knapik

Division II *continued*

NURSING HONORS

Nursing Professionalism Award

Awarded to a student with exceptional professional and personal characteristics

Maggie Merwin

Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing Award

Awarded to a student with excellence in their rotation in psychiatric nursing

Lacey Folger

Nursing Academic Award

Awarded to a student with an exceptional accumulative GPA

Maggie Merwin

Community Service Award

Awarded to a student with exceptional community service during clinical rotations and volunteer clinics

Abigail Divjak

Nightingale Award

Awarded to a student who possesses a strong knowledge base, works well with other students and staff, demonstrates strong leadership capability, demonstrates responsibility and accountability for providing quality patient care, employs the nursing process in daily care, demonstrates a definite commitment to the nursing profession, promotes self-care in all areas of nursing, and is an advocate for patients.

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PHYSICS HONORS

H. L. Caldwell Prize in Physics

Awarded to a student completing either a four year physics major at IC, or simultaneous dual degrees in liberal arts from Illinois College and in engineering from an accredited engineering school, and who shows the greatest promise in future success in physics or engineering

Carson Beyers

George W. Horton Sr. Prize in Physics

Awarded to students completing first-year sequence of physics courses who shows greatest promise for future achievement in physics

Caitlyn Borst and Caden Tinsley

PSYCHOLOGY HONORS

Richard McGeath Honor Award

Awarded to a graduating senior who demonstrates exceptional interest in the clinical counseling area of psychology

Shannon Cadagin

Louis F. Meek Prize in Psychology

Awarded to the student with the highest grade in introductory psychology

Sophia Kriegesmann and Emily Brimer

Eleanor O. Miller Award in Psychology

Awarded to the psychology department's most outstanding senior

Payton Radcliffe

Psi Chi (Psychology)

*Kinley Bruens, Riley Chitwood, Ali Daoud,
Kylee Golden, Marissa Mueller, Payton Mueller,
Tsilate Tadesse and Madison Webb*

Division III

BUSINESS HONORS

Merrill Barlow Scholarship

Awarded to the student who has completed at least two years at Illinois College and are majoring in business or finance

Anna McKee

Carlos Campbell Scholarship

Awarded to a senior economics student with an outstanding grade point average

Dane Huber

James R. and Edward T. Duewer Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a junior or senior accounting major demonstrating academic excellence

Brock Kennell

Eric R. and Harry F. Hofmann Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a student entering the junior year who has declared an accounting concentration

Alyvia Burr

Roscoe G. Linder Scholarship in Business

Awarded to an economics and business major displaying academic excellence, growth, dependability, leadership and service

Alex Johnson

John H. McNaughton Prize in Accounting

Awarded to superior accounting majors

1st: Ainsley Mahoney

2nd: Camille Lyons

3rd: Alyvia Burr

Martin and Jeanne Newman Scholarship

Awarded to a female junior or senior majoring in economics and business administration demonstrating scholastic excellence and departmental involvement

Lauryn Dambacher

Lt. Charles William Sanders Scholarship

Awarded to a junior majoring in economics and/or business administration

Paige Walker

Outstanding Graduating Seniors in Accounting

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the accounting department

On campus: Alex Harden and Lauryn Dambacher

Online: Kenneth Sharpless

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Finance

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the finance department

Laten Wayer

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Marketing

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the marketing department

Mira Shaholli

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Human Resources

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the human resources department

On campus: Dylan Kavish and Carlos Limon

Online: Dusstiee Avendano

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Economics

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the economics department

Dane Huber

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Agribusiness

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the agribusiness department

On campus: Allison Mortland

Online: Lowell Sparrow

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Sports Management

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the sports management department

Jack Rohn

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Management

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the management department

On campus: Sarra Faust and Taylor Bentley

Online: Mandy Macomb

Division III *continued*

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Business Administration

Awarded to a senior who has displayed overall academic excellence, leadership and service to the business administration department

On campus: Victoria Joseph and Carly Karhliker

Online: Bekka Fesser

Howard and Pearle Selcke and Bill and Sandy Selcke Gussner Endowed Scholarship in Economics

Awarded to a junior economics major with an understanding of the nature, operation and problems of the global economy and modern business

Arnaud Rioual

Davee Foundation Scholarship Fund

Awarded to a rising senior who is majoring or minoring in accounting or entrepreneurship

Alexander Harden

Omicron Delta Epsilon (*Economics*)

Chase Blanquart, Abby Buchanan-Kenzinger, Dane Huber, Odosa Imasuen, Haydn Leonard, Allison Mortland, Tobin Nell, Hunter Newbold, and Valentine Orizi

Delta Mu Delta (*Business*)

Matea Aleksandrovska, Dusstie Avendaño, Taylor Bentley, Bekka Fesser, Victoria Joseph, Thomas Menke, Allison Mortland and Paige Walker

EDUCATION HONORS

Norman J. and Virginia Marsh Gore Scholarship

Awarded to the education major demonstrating outstanding scholarship, with preference given to a student from Decatur

Katherine Milhiser

Roscoe G. Linder Education Scholarship

Awarded to a junior education major preparing to become a teacher who exhibits academic excellence, growth, dependability, leadership and service to the community

Kate Burr

Dr. Thomas L. Smith Teacher Education Memorial Award

Awarded to the education major entering the senior year demonstrating outstanding scholarship, campus and local community involvement

Kate Burr

Bright Beginnings Child Care Center Award

Awarded to a junior education major with an early childhood or elementary education concentration

Lania Brown

Bernice Strubinger Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to an education major entering the junior year planning to teach in public schools, with preference to elementary teaching

Josie Pals

Kappa Delta Pi (*Education*)

Lauren Brown, Kinley Bruens, Kate Burr, Jordan Engwall, Payton Lanning and Lynzie Luster

**HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE, PHILOSOPHY
& RELIGION HONORS**

William Jennings Bryan Award in Political Science

Awarded for the best written work in political science

Graham Foster for paper titled:

“A Political Risk Analysis of Kenya”

Distinguished Senior Award

Awarded to outstanding graduating seniors in the department

*Elise Eyler, Elise Griffin, Brock Neel, Shawn Oderio,
Monika Poudel, Isaac Schreacke and Brayden Weaver*

Raymond L. Gillmore, II Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to an outstanding sophomore majoring in history

Theodore Biela

Helen Walton Hackett Scholarship

Awarded to a full-time history and/or international studies student in their 3rd or 4th year

Arnaud Rioual

Fred C. Kirkman Award

Awarded for the best written work in history

Emily Pursley for paper titled:

*“Telling a Story of Freedom: The Preservation
and Interpretation of New Philadelphia as a Site of
Public History”*

James A. Meeks Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to an outstanding rising junior in the department

Cole McDannald and Arnaud Rioual

Judge Richard Mills Scholarship

Awarded to an outstanding junior with intentions to attend law school

Elisabet Eyler

Mary Ruth Mundinger Scholar

Awarded as the department’s highest honor to the most outstanding graduating senior(s)

Isaac Schreacke and Brayden Weaver

Howard E. Schuchmann Award in Public Affairs

Awarded to a senior on the basis of scholarship, character and participation in public affairs

Elise Eyler

Joe Patterson Smith Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to outstanding rising seniors in the department

*Elizabeth Chamberlain, Elisabet Eyler, Halle Maul,
Monika Poudel, Emily Pursley, Isaac Schreacke
and Brayden Weaver*

Paul C. Verticchio Scholarship

Awarded to a rising senior who plans to attend law school

Jordan Morgan

David S. Watson History Award

Awarded to an outstanding sophomore majoring in history and/or political science

Emily Guest and Theodore Biela

Mabel Kampert Koss Memorial Award

Awarded to a sophomore or junior majoring in the humanities

Bianca Popet

Sokolis Prize in Comparative Religions

A student who has demonstrated a strong interest in study of comparative religions

Dominique Koch

Outstanding First Year Students in History and Political Science

Payton Johnson, Ryan Kuchar and Roxann Richardson

William Ireland Prize in Philosophy

Best paper on assigned topic in philosophy

Ainsley Mahoney for paper titled:

“Business in a Good Human Life”

Honors for Outstanding Performance on the Senior Capstone Essay in History

Awarded to seniors who wrote outstanding senior essays

Kellen Peterson, Emily Pursley and Brayden Weaver

SOCIOLOGY HONORS

ASA Student Department Prize

Awarded to a student in sociology who has done particularly well on a paper, thesis, field study or performed special service to the department

Isabella Aguirre and Payton Lanning

Excellence in Sociology Award

Awarded to the graduating sociology major for outstanding academic achievement in sociology courses

Marissa Mueller

Excellence in Criminal Justice

Awarded to a graduating criminal justice major for outstanding academic achievement in criminal justice courses.

Elise Eycler

Deputy Taylor H. Briggs Memorial Award

Awarded to a criminal justice major who demonstrates academic achievement, leadership and a commitment to physical fitness

Blake Bratt

Criminal Justice Achievement Award

Awarded to a criminal justice major for academic achievement in the face of adversity or practical achievement that serves the ends of justice

Devontay Davis

Alpha Kappa Delta (Sociology)

*Isabella Aguirre, Payton Lanning, Payton Mueller,
and Marissa Mueller*

Alpha Phi Sigma (Criminal Justice)

*Jade Champley, Oscar Espinoza, Sophia McWard,
and Maya Stovall*

Interdisciplinary Studies

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES HONORS

Outstanding Majors in Environmental Studies

Awarded to majors who have earned at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA as well as a 3.0 GPA within the major

*Miranda Araujo, Peter Hauser, Jordan Morgan,
Zachary Renken and Ashlyn Wightman*

GENDER AND WOMEN'S STUDIES HONORS

Martha E. Church Award for Excellence in Gender and Women's Studies

Outstanding scholarship and activism

Ava Maria Mendoza

Iota Iota Iota (Gender and Women's Studies)

Ava Maria Mendoza

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES HONORS

Robert M. Bellatti International Studies Award

Awarded to encourage and assist students with opportunities to study in a foreign country.

Odosa Imasuen

Alice H. Engelbach Peace Studies Award

Awarded to a student whose activities encourage, demonstrate or deepen our understanding of conflict resolution and reconciliation

Kairy Mercado-Ramos

Frayn and Clifton Utley Foreign Studies Award

Awarded to support students who have projects involving travel and/or study outside of the United States

Claire Peters and Tega Ekasa

Trish Reynolds International Studies Honor Award

Awarded as the department's highest honor to a senior majoring in international studies who has combined academic excellence and demonstrated promise in the field

Arnaud Rioual

Academic, Leadership and Special Honors

Student Marshals

Anna McKee and Thomas Menke

Barbara Heintz Albach Memorial Award

Awarded to a female junior possessing good character and personality, leadership in campus and community activities, and contributes to college ideals

Paige Walker

Vithal Ayyagari Science Award

Awarded to the outstanding senior in the science division displaying the greatest promise in the field of scientific research

Emma Green

Dean H. Baldwin Scholar Athlete Award

Senior male and female athlete who is determined to have excelled in scholarships (based on GPA) and in athletics

Josh Platzbecker and Sydney Kuper

Charles and Dorothy Frank Travel Award

Awarded to students submitting the most imaginative and creative proposal for travel planned to enhance their academic studies or for personal enrichment

Ashly Cedeno

Helen Grandcolas Foreign Travel Award

Awarded to a student to study outside the United States with priority given to studying in France or Japan

Claire Peters

Fred Hoskins Christian Influence Award

Senior with effective Christian influence on campus

Madison Webb

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Peacemaker Award

Awarded to the student making significant efforts at peacemaking

Shya Prescott

Lincoln Academy Student Laureate

Presented annually to an outstanding senior from each of Illinois' four-year degree-giving institutions to honor a student's overall academic excellence and extracurricular activities

Marvin Romo

Midwest Conference Elite 20

The Elite 20 Award is presented to the participating student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade point average in the Midwest Conference competing in his or her respective sport's championship event

Isabella Aguirre, Carson Beyers and Blake Bratt

Richard L. Pratt Memorial Award

Awarded to a student studying pre-law

Elise Eyler

William '66 and Vicki Hood Global Citizens Scholarship

Awarded to benefit students who travel internationally by participating in study abroad programs or BreakAway trips

Devontay Davis, Morgan Doyle, Alexandria Johnson, Estefania Sosa Juarez, Cassandra Little, Ella Middleton, Payton Mueller, Serenity Vasquez and Phoebe Williams

Rammelkamp Honor Scholars

Awarded to the students with the highest cumulative grade point average in each of the first-year, sophomore and junior classes for the 2021-2022 academic year

First Year: Alexis Blackley, Brooke Oakley and Jacob Petrovich

Sophomore: Stephanie Flores

Junior: Carson Beyers

Julian M. Sturtevant Campus Leadership and Service Award

Awarded to outstanding graduating seniors who are visible leaders on campus and in the organization(s) they serve

Anthony Aguilar, Isabella Aguirre, Luis Avila-Alvarez, Kristen Costa, Shannon Engmann, CJ Liddell, Jr., Carlos Limon, Edris Roman, Rachael Rosenstengel, Kenzie Strong and Madison Webb

Nancy Watters Widmaier Award

Awarded to a female student who has reached high academic achievement studying English, gender and women's studies or pre-med

Asia Madkins

Robert C. Widmaier and Nicholas J. Capo Academic Achievement Award

Awarded to a first-year, first-generation college student who has demonstrated excellence in the classroom

Ariana Luna

George William Curry Jr. International BreakAway Award

Awarded to a student who is participating in an international BreakAway Trip

Christopher Jones

Steven F. Ross BreakAway Travel Award

Awarded to a student to assist with expenses of a BreakAway trip outside of the United States with preference given to travel in China, Japan, Asia, Iceland or the United Kingdom.

*Leslie Earles, Kaydence Haag, Minerva Hernandez,
Riley Chitwood and Edris Roman*

Walter Bellatti Sr. Honor Scholar Award

Awarded to one female and one male from the senior class for outstanding scholarship, participation in co-curricular activities and demonstrated interest in the welfare and progress of Illinois College

Carson Beyers and Trenton Terry

Carole Ann Ryan Fine Arts Prize

Awarded to a student who has contributed a major interest and participation in one or more of the fine arts offerings of Illinois College and community arts organizations

Jewelianna Fuqua

Marilyn Johnson Hassenger Award

Awarded to students who shows outstanding achievement in music, art, theatre, or literature

Kailee Eldridge

Illinois College Scholars Honors Program

Graduating Seniors:

*Isabella Aguirre, Carson Beyers, Abbie Divjak,
Kailee Eldridge, Shannon Engmann, Sarra Faust,
Brady Fletcher, Steph Flores, Camryn Fryrear,
Emma Green, Dane Huber, Rebecca Hudson,
Ava Maria Mendoza, Katherine Monier,
Devan Morgan, Jordan Morgan, Josh Platzbecker,
Rachael Rosenstengeln and Ainslee Stroup*

Phi Beta Kappa Academic National Honor Fraternity

Phi Beta Kappa is the nation's oldest and most prestigious honorary college society. It recognizes the highest scholastic distinction by electing members from among the leading candidates for college degrees in the liberal arts and sciences.

*Isabella Aguirre, Carson Beyers, Shannon Engmann,
Emma Green, Rebecca Hudson, Arnaud Rioual,
Haylee Simmons, Ainslee Stroup and Trenton Terry*

Alpha Lambda Delta

Alpha Lambda Delta is a certified national honor society that recognizes academic excellence in the first year of college and promotes leadership and scholarly engagement across campus. Invitation to Alpha Lambda Delta is sent in the spring semester of a student's first year at Illinois College. Students must possess a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale to be eligible.

*Connor Akstulewicz, Princess Akyea-Obesebea,
Nathan Barth, Nathan Bobikiewicz, Cate Breden,
Kirstin Chapman, Rei Chikyu, Taylor Cook,
Evan Cooper, Riley Drake, Bobby Driver, Eli Duke,
Emma Dunsworth, Grayson Dupre, Julie Edwards,
Jives Efemini, Paige George, Hunter Gillis,
Kylee Golden, Josh Hallanger, Olivia Hulsey,
MacKenzie Jones, Ethan Klunk, Cameron Knapik,
Sophia Kriegesmann, Ryan Kuchar, Jerica LaMarsh,
Justus Lee, Kellen Leifheit, Daniel Lopez,
Samantha Matchett, Peyton Merreighn,
Jordan Minter, Heaven Neal, Ekko Nguyen,
Chiara Paltretti, Parker Phillis, Chloe Plough,
Juliana Rensing, Abbi Renwick, Roxann Richardson,
Kaity Robison, Haylee Royer, Lucía Sánchez Blanco,
Shelby Seiler, Jenna Sharp, Danielle Simpson,
Jourdan Stevens, Aylin Toro Rodriguez
and Ellie Vinyard*

National Society of Leadership and Success

National Society of Leadership and Success is a nationally accredited leadership honorary society. Founded in 2001, the NSLS focuses on providing a life-changing leadership program that helps college students achieve personal growth, career success, and empowers them to have a positive impact in their communities. The Illinois College NSLS chapter was founded in 2022. With the exception of the inaugural year, students with a GPA of 2.5 or above receive the invitation to participate in their second year at Illinois College.

*Tyler Barker, Theodore Biela, Lania Brown, Alyvia Burr,
Kate Burr, Riley Chitwood, Addison Cooper,
Madelynn DePover, Caden Dettmer, Megan Doolittle,
Wendy Doolittle, Karli Easley, Jordan Engwall,
Stephanie Flores, Amy Fowler, Marissa Gonzalez,
Emily Guest, Nick Hannig, Alyson Holste, Taylor Jones,
Ainsley Mahoney, Ella Middleton, Isabelle Norris,
Brooke Oakley, Cameron Patton, Claire Peters,
Jake Petrovich, Hannah Pool, Hannah Sitton,
Elizabeth Snow, Lucille Snow, Ainslee Stroup,
Jose Varela, Paige Walker, Avery Westlake,
Tatum Wimbrow, Phoebe Williams*

Faculty Honors

Alice H. Engelbach Peace Studies Award

Awarded to faculty to support activities that encourage, demonstrate or deepen our understanding of conflict resolution and reconciliation

Cuba Faculty Collaboration

Alice Margaret Engelbach Memorial Endowment for Asian Studies

Awarded to enhance the understanding of Asia at Illinois College

Gwendolyn Gillson, Assistant Professor of Asian Studies

Arthur E. Hallerberg Award for Development in Mathematics

Awarded to a faculty member to support their professional development or curricular development within the mathematics department

Cuba Faculty Collaboration

Charles E. Frank Fellowship for Excellence in Teaching

Awarded to faculty for encouraging excellence in teaching undergraduates in the liberal arts, with emphasis on the relationship of the fellow's field to other fields

Cuba Faculty Collaboration

Ernest G. Hildner, Jr. Faculty Enrichment Fund

Awarded to faculty to assist in spending time off campus pursuing and developing academic interests

Cuba Faculty Collaboration

Jocelyn Lanorio, Associate Professor of Chemistry

Dean Carole Ann Ryan Faculty Award

Awarded to faculty to support professional development activities with an intercultural dimension

Kara Dorris, Assistant Professor of English

Richard T. Fry Faculty Collaboration Fund

Awarded to faculty to support projects that enhance the College's academic program through their collaborative efforts

*Jaclyn Tabor, Assistant Professor of Sociology
Kara Dorris, Assistant Professor of English*

*Prasanna Acharya, Assistant Professor of Kinesiology
Angela Bentley, Director of Nursing
Alex Wolfe, Assistant Professor of Kinesiology*

Summer Student-Faculty Research Scholarship Program

C. Reed Parker Professional Development Grant

Awarded to faculty to support activities undertaken between commencement and the opening of the academic year

Lawrence Zettler, Hitchcock Professor of Biology

Brent Chandler, Associate Professor of Chemistry

Malcolm F. Stewart Faculty Award for Intercultural Education

Awarded to faculty to strengthen and increase the scope and quality of intercultural education through the improvement of existing courses or the establishment of new courses to enhance students' knowledge and understanding of another people and their culture

Margaret Marek, Associate Professor of Global Studies-Spanish

*Gwendolyn Gillson, Assistant Professor of Asian Studies
Cameron Sweatman, Director of Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging
Brittney Yancy, Assistant Professor of History and African American Studies
Kierstyn Worthem, Associate Director of Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging*

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ABSTRACTS



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