Student Life
LEADERSHIP
AWARDS
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Leadership Through the Decades
60TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE
STUDENT ACTIVITIES
The Office of Student Life Student Activities and the Leadership Awards planning committee welcome you to this 60th annual celebration of student leadership at The Ohio State University.

We are proud to recognize all of the individuals and organizations that have distinguished themselves through leadership, active citizenship, outstanding programs, collaborative partnerships, innovative practices and a love for Ohio State. The recipients we recognize today have contributed to positive change throughout the campus community and beyond.

We would also like to recognize our generous sponsors for their role in today’s program. Many thanks to the Office of Student Life for their continued support of student leadership development and involvement at The Ohio State University. The Office of Student Life represents the many units across campus that support students in a variety of endeavors outside the classroom.

Thank you to the Office of Student Life for helping to create the extraordinary student experience at The Ohio State University!
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OUTSTANDING FIRST-YEAR STUDENT
The Outstanding First-Year Student Award is designed to recognize the efforts of first-year students on Ohio State’s campus. Award recipients have engaged in experiences both in and out of the classroom that have increased their responsibilities to the campus community. These students have demonstrated an ability to balance academics with their involvement and have shown promise for future leadership at Ohio State.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

ANGELA CIAROCHI
Mechanicsville, Virginia · Dance

ANDREW PIERCE II
Columbus, Ohio · Public Policy Analysis

LAUREN TURNER
Canton, Ohio · Neuroscience

OUTSTANDING GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL STUDENT
Among the highest honors conferred to graduate and professional students, this award recognizes those who have made outstanding contributions to Ohio State in leadership and service outside their academic program. To be selected, students must demonstrate their ability to balance scholarship with their leadership and involvement.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

RAVEN E. LYNCH
Chillicothe, Ohio · Master’s of Social Work

SAM TRAPP
Medina, Ohio · Master’s of Higher Education and Student Affairs

SWEE-YANG ASHLEY YONG
Darien, Illinois · Master’s of Higher Education and Student Affairs
First awarded in 2006, the Stanley D. Gottsegen Leadership Award recognizes one student leader each year who has demonstrated outstanding involvement in co-curricular activities with a monetary award of $1,000. Students must be undergraduate juniors or seniors involved in one of the following organizations: Undergraduate Student Government, Ohio Union Activities Board, Greek Governing Councils, Makio or Ohio Staters, Inc.

Stanley D. Gottsegen graduated from Ohio State in 1954 with a BS in Business Administration. During his time at Ohio State, Mr. Gottsegen was involved in a wide variety of campus activities and programs. He served as Secretary for Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity, Chairman of the 1952 Dad’s Day events, Secretary-Treasurer for the Fraternity Council, President of the Ohio Student Party Association and Vice President of Sphinx. Additionally, he was involved with Fraternity Affairs, Makio and May Week Committee, Ohio Staters, Inc., Ohio State Sesquicentennial Committee, Student Senate and Sundial.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENT IS...

CHARITA J. DAILEY
Omaha, Nebraska · Psychology
KAPLAN HUMANITARIAN AWARD

The Kaplan Humanitarian Award was first awarded in 1961 to honor Rabbi Harry Kaplan who served as director of the B’nai B’rith Hillel Foundation for 34 years and whose love for all people personified what has helped make Ohio State a world-class leader in higher education. This award is given each year to acknowledge students whose efforts, on behalf of intercultural, interfaith and/or interracial understanding, have made a distinctive contribution toward achieving the ideas for white Rabbi Kaplan stood.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENT IS...

ROAYA HIGAZI
Pickerington, Ohio · City and Regional Planning

DR. ELLAMAE SIMMONS AWARD

Born in 1918 in Mount Vernon, Ohio, Dr. Ellamae Simmons dreamed of becoming a physician. Throughout her life, she experienced racism and sexism on a frequent basis as a Black woman. She was initially denied from Ohio State’s nursing program because of her race but ended up joining the Red Cross and served in the U.S. Army Nursing Corps for more than three years during World War II. Following the war, she applied again to Ohio State and was accepted to the Biological Sciences program. Dr. Ellamae Simmons went on to earn her Masters in Social Work from Ohio State, and her medical degree from Howard University. This award recognizes students who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and service – with particular regard to issues at the intersection of race and gender.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENT IS...

JADELYN CHENG
Reynoldsburg, Ohio · Pharmaceutical Sciences
Ohio State believes in the value of student organizations and their impact on the students involved. Student organizations provide an opportunity for students to work toward a common mission, build friendships and develop leadership. This award recognizes student organizations that make extraordinary contributions to campus and their members through membership development, programming, commitment to academics, and/or active citizenship. We recognize that the achievements of established student organizations and new student organizations differ, yet both contribute to campus involvement. Therefore, this award is granted in two distinct categories; Outstanding New Student Organization and Outstanding Overall Student Organization.

**THIS RECIPIENTS FOR OUTSTANDING NEW STUDENT ORGANIZATION ARE...**

**BUCKEYES FIRST STUDENT ORGANIZATION**

**TAKE BACK THE NIGHT**

**THE RECIPIENTS FOR OUTSTANDING OVERALL STUDENT ORGANIZATION ARE...**

1. ACM-W

2. HINDU YOUTH FOR UNITY, VIRTUES, AND ACTION

3. OHIO UNION ACTIVITIES BOARD

2. UNIVERSAL HEALTH AID (UHA): COLUMBUS
STUDENT ORGANIZATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS

In many respects, the success of student organization programming contributes to “Creating the Extraordinary Student Experience at Ohio State.” The excellence awards are designed to recognize student organizations whose work over the past year demonstrates notable accomplishments success in Member Development, Organization Operations, and Community Engagement, the three domains within the Student Organization Success Framework.

MEMBER DEVELOPMENT
THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

UNDERGRADUATE BUSINESS WOMEN’S ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

ORGANIZATION OPERATIONS
THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC. THETA CHAPTER

OHIO UNION ACTIVITIES BOARD

STUDENT-ALUMNI COUNCIL

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

FIRST ALUMNI AND ROBOTICS

NURSING STUDENTS PROMOTION INITIATIVES TO REINFORCE EQUALITY (NSPIRE)

OHIO UNION ACTIVITIES BOARD
OUTSTANDING STUDENT ORGANIZATION PROGRAM AWARDS

Ohio State student organizations host thousands of events throughout the academic year, contributing not only to the extraordinary student experience of their own members, but to the campus community as well. Outstanding programs promote the mission of the organization, meaningfully involve members in the planning and execution of the event, and make a lasting impact on membership and/or the campus community. Successful programs will align with the Programming outcome in the Student Organization Success Framework.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

- NURSING STUDENTS PROMOTING INITIATIVES TO REINFORCE EQUALITY (NSPIRE)
- UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT
This award recognizes those students, faculty, and staff who have made extraordinary contributions to a student organization through their involvement, leadership, and dedication to the organization and its mission. Recognizing that organizational success requires individual contribution in a variety of formats and at all levels, this award is presented in four different categories:

OUTSTANDING ADVISOR
THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENT IS...

IVORY LEVERT
Student Wellness Center

OUTSTANDING NEW MEMBER
THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

CLaire Burton
Wapakoneta, Ohio · Marketing

Fiona Chambers
Olmstead Falls, Ohio · Health Sciences

OUTSTANDING GENERAL MEMBER
THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

Jacob Chang
Nanjing, China · Political Science and Psychology

Elizabeth Painter
Broadview Heights, Ohio · Political Science

Joey Ricchezza
Sewell, New Jersey · Pharmaceutical Sciences
OUTSTANDING POSITIONAL LEADER

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

STARR JIANG
Sylvania, Ohio · Neuroscience

PRANEETHKUMAR MADHU
Dublin, Ohio · Neuroscience

MOLLY MCCANN
Cleveland, Ohio · Psychology

SRI VIDYA UPPALAPATI
Beachwood, Ohio · Public Policy Analysis
STUDENT ORGANIZATION SERVICE CHALLENGE

To celebrate and honor the university’s sesquicentennial anniversary, Student Activities challenged student organizations to complete 150 hours of service in the 2019-2020 school year. Student organizations who participated in this challenge completed a combined total of 8,939 hours of service. Service projects incorporated a variety of social justice issues including food insecurity, animal welfare, youth support services, disability services, and more.

THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS WHO PARTICIPATED COMPLETED 150 HOURS OF SERVICE OR MORE...

4 PAWS FOR ABILITY AT OHIO STATE

ALPHA PHI OMEGA

CIRCLE K CLUB AT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

FIRST ALUMNI AND ROBOTICS AT OHIO STATE

HUMANITY FIRST STUDENT CHAPTER

MULTICULTURAL UNDERSTANDING THROUGH NON-TRADITIONAL DISCOVERY OPPORTUNITIES AT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

MUSLIM STUDENTS’ ASSOCIATION

NEUROSCIENCE EDUCATION FOR URBAN AND RURAL OUTREACH

PHI DELTA EPSILON, INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL FRATERNITY, UNDERGRADUATE CHAPTER

PI SIGMA EPSILON

PRE-VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

SCIENTIFIC THINKERS STUDENT ORGANIZATION
On-campus student employment is one of many ways for students to get involved at Ohio State and build skills that will serve them throughout their lifetimes. Sponsored by Student Life Human Resources, this award is selected based on nominations received from supervisors or co-workers, and recognizes the contributions of student employees in Student Life offices. Recipients have gone above and beyond their basic job responsibilities and made significant contributions to their offices.

**THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...**

**ANDREA CAROLIN CASTILLO BEROES**  
Cincinnati, Ohio · Health Sciences

**AMY CHEN**  
Cleveland, Ohio · Marketing

**TAYLOR RAYANN DEWEY**  
Jamestown, New York · Health Sciences

**ELIJAH GARDNER**  
Columbus, Ohio · Anthropological Sciences and English

**ANDREA PROKUP**  
Waterville, Ohio · Environment, Economy, Development and Sustainability

**ELIZABETH STEVENS**  
Dublin, Ohio · Public Management, Leadership, and Policy
OUTSTANDING STUDENT LIFE SUPERVISORS

Student Life staff who supervise students use employment as a means to teach leadership, teamwork, and problem-solving. These supervisors have gone above and beyond in their efforts to use campus employment as a means to develop student leadership.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

MAGDALENA GRACIA
Residence Life

MARISSA LALLY
Off Campus and Commuter Student Services

KAREN NARWICZ
Ohio Union Sales, Conference and Business Development
Sponsored by the Student Life Multicultural Center, these awards are presented to students and student organization programs that have demonstrated a significant commitment to fostering intercultural impact as part of ongoing efforts to create a globally engaged citizenry among students at The Ohio State University. The awards recognize efforts put forth by students to encourage a deeper understanding of diversity and social justice and create intercultural understanding.

**DIVERSITY ENGAGEMENT AWARD**
**THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENT IS...**

**MIA CAI CARIELLO**  
Columbus, Ohio · Women’s Gender and Sexuality Studies

**OUTSTANDING DIVERSITY PROGRAM**
**THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENT IS...**

**HINDU YOUTH FOR UNITY, VIRTUES AND ACTION**

**BOEHM HOLISTIC WELLNESS AWARD**

Sponsored by the Student Life Wellness Center, this award is presented in both individual and organization categories. The award recognizes Buckeyes who have promoted holistic wellness through leadership.

**THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...**

**INDIVIDUAL**

**ANNIE NICHOLAS**  
Akron, Ohio · Neuroscience

**GROUP**

**BUCKEYE FOOD ALLIANCE**
SCARLET, GRAY, AND GREEN

The Scarlet, Gray, and Green Student Leadership Award was established in 2011 by the Office of Student Life and the President’s and Provost’s Council on Sustainability. The award is now presented each year by the Energy Management and Sustainability group within Facility Management and Logistics. This award recognizes undergraduate, graduate or professional students who have shown outstanding leadership in furthering sustainability efforts at The Ohio State University. Candidates are evaluated based on demonstrated leadership, scale of environmental impact, creativity and innovation and measurable results.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

ALYSSA BARBUTO
Canton, Ohio · Environment, Economy, Development and Sustainability

TRACE EBERHARDT
Pickerington, Ohio · Civil Engineering

HAILEY HAYES
Brookhaven, New York · Environmental Science

MELINA MALLORY
Playa Del Rey, California · Environmental Science

JAYSON VELAZQUEZ
Paterson, New Jersey · Environment, Economy, Development and Sustainability
EDWARD S. “BEANIE” DRAKE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Edward S. “Beanie” Drake Student Leader Endowment Fund is an annual scholarship that provides funds to enable deserving student leaders to participate in campus activities when financial need might otherwise make it impossible for them to do so. The “Beanie” Board of Directors is made solely of current students that solicit these funds from other students and student organizations, making this unique scholarship directly from students for students.

This year’s recipients have not yet been decided. Please refer to the Leadership Awards website to see the winners once they are announced.

SPIRIT OF OHIO STATE

The Spirit of Ohio State Award recognizes students and student organizations that strongly represent the values, traditions, and spirit of Ohio State through their engagement in and commitment to the campus community.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

INDIVIDUAL

GEORGE OSHIOTSE
Milford, Ohio · Neuroscience

ORGANIZATION

PRE-VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
OUTSTANDING SENIOR AWARD

The final award we will recognize is the Outstanding Senior Award. Each spring, The Ohio State University recognizes seniors who have made significant contributions to the University and community. To receive this recognition, students must have demonstrated exemplary scholarship, leadership and service over the course of their college careers. More than a grade point average, scholarship includes contributing to the academic life of the University. Leadership may be a concentrated effort to make a difference in one facet of the University, or through responsibilities in more than one organization. Service involves working in partnership with communities to make positive social change. This award is given to less than 1% of Ohio State’s graduating seniors.

THIS YEAR’S RECIPIENTS ARE...

MARGARET ASH
Canton, Ohio · English

MATTHEW BONNER
Wyoming, Ohio · Marketing, Logistics Management, and History

THOMAS BOWLES
Westlake, Ohio · Public Management, Leadership, and Policy

CALEB COSTA
Encinitas, California · World Politics

CHARITA DAILEY
Omaha, Nebraska · Psychology

JULIA DENNEN
Gurnee, Illinois · Public Management, Leadership, and Policy

RILEY EVANS
Washington Court House, Ohio · Pharmaceutical

OUMOU FOFANA
Columbus, Ohio · Biochemistry

KATHLEEN GREER
Omaha, Nebraska · Psychology
LEI GUO  
Guangzhou, Guangdong · Public Affairs and Political Science

SOFIA YAZMIN HERRERA  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin · Public Health (Pre-Med)

STARR JIANG  
Sylvania, Ohio · Neuroscience

SERENA KAUL  
Cincinnati, Ohio · Neuroscience

MATTHEW KLOPFENSTEIN  
Haviland, Ohio · Agricultural Engineering

ANTHONY BRYAN LONG II  
Dayton, Ohio · Political Science

IMRAN NURI  
Columbus, Ohio · Marketing

MADELINE PERRY  
Toledo, Ohio · Accounting

ABU ROGERS  
Freetown, Sierra Leone · Biochemistry

CHLOE TEN BRINK  
Loveland, Ohio · Psychology

ASHER WARCHAL  
Galloway, Ohio · Social Work
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Thank you for your support
CARMEN OHIO

Oh! Come let’s sing Ohio’s praise,
And songs to Alma Mater raise;
While our hearts rebounding thrill,
With joy which death alone can still.

Summer’s heat or Winter’s cold,
The seasons pass, the years will roll;
Time and change will surely show
How firm thy friendship O-hi-o.