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## COLLEGE PRESENTS AWARDS TO ITS MOST-OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

CUMBERLAND, Md. -- Allegany College of Maryland honored 77 of its most-outstanding students at recent 47<sup>th</sup> Annual All-College Awards Ceremony.

Achievement and excellence in academics, athletics and leadership and service to the college and community was recognized by 61 different awards in nearly three-dozen subjects and areas.

Welcoming the awards recipients and others to the ceremony was Erin Yokum, ACM's director of student life. Dr. Cynthia Bambara, college president, extended greetings. The ceremony was hosted by the Student Government Association.

The awards recipients, listed according to subject, are as follows:

- Allied Health Technician -- outstanding student awards, Carly Borrer and Robin Foster (phlebotomy); Makayla Pearson (EKG); Sarah Evans (nursing assistant); Katie Borkenhagen (pharmacy technician); Carol Thomas (Myron E. Blough memorial award in pharmacy technician);
- Art – excellence in media (Drawing II), Brooke Kemp;
- Athletics -- outstanding female student-athlete, Sierra Calomeris; outstanding male student-athlete, Jason Copman;
- Business Administration -- outstanding business students, Destinee Frankenberry (Cumberland campus), Talita Mirfin (Bedford County Campus); business professionalism awards, Andrew Smith (Cumberland campus), and Derrick Miller and Tanna Bowers (Bedford County Campus);
- Computer Technology – outstanding student awards, William Hood and Victor Joel Harvey;
- Criminal Justice – outstanding student awards, MoNai Ford and Micah May (Victor Reuschlein award); and Chasity Grubb (distance learning);
- Culinary Arts – outstanding student awards, Jacob Hardesty (culinary arts); Ivy Smith (dietary management);
- Democracy Commitment – excellence in civic engagement award, Samantha Vega;
- Dental Hygiene -- outstanding achievement awards, Mackenzie Cherry (oral pathology); Etta Cook (pharmacology); and Kara Badell (periodontology);
- Diversity Center -- outstanding veteran graduate, Timothy Shipway; Rev. George and Catherine Hazen Memorial Scholarship, Jonas Rock; Focus on Women award, Lisa Readd; Focus on Men award, Kevin Youngblood;
- Education – service to children awards, Ben Benson, Alex Hay, Autumn Olinger, Danita Smith, Catherine Valentine and Molly Winner;
- English – outstanding student award, Douglas Sipes;
- Forestry -- William L. Cones award to the outstanding second-year student, Julie Conway; North American forest technician honorary, Julie Conway;
- History -- Sister Mary Alice Belanger award, Jacob Young;

- Hospitality Management – outstanding student award, Davonna Ketterman;
- Human Service Associate – Rodney Frazier award for advocacy, Autumn Conley; Barb Mullenax award for personal and professional development, Bethany Lane; academic and clinical achievement award, Stefan Keiser and Julia Wiland;
- Mathematics – outstanding math achievement award, Jona Harris; outstanding math student awards, Adrian Gibbons and Debra Messersmith;
- Medical Administrative Assistant – achievement award, Savannah Kennell; spirit award, Lori Yost;
- Medical Assistant – heart of health care award, Miranda Rhodamer; spirit award, Tara Holshey;
- Medical Laboratory Technology – outstanding student awards, Andrea Trainor (fast-track sequence); and Abigail Talbert (second-year student);
- Multimedia Technology – Terry Feck award for outstanding achievement, Melissa McKenzie and James Swauger;
- Music – music and performance award, Brittany Rawlings;
- Nursing – Margaret Keller memorial award, Melanie Mast; nursing faculty awards, Nicole Ryan Connell and Morgan Lee Marple;
- Occupational Therapy Assistant – leadership award, Thomas Glenny;
- Paralegal -- outstanding student awards, Ashley Bridgett and Madison Robey;
- Pathways for Success – TRiO emerging leader awards, Thomas Glenny and Bria Witherspoon; TRiO scholar awards, Kaitlyn Gornall and William Hood; grit award, Kara Zufall;
- Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society -- special recognition, Talita Mirfin;
- Physical Therapist Assistant – professionalism award, Erica Brinsfield;
- Political Science – Lowell Markey awards, Rachael Llewlyn and Garrett Slider;
- Professional Golf Management – outstanding student award, Brent Wilkerson;
- Radiologic Technology -- academic excellence award, Haley Workman;
- Respiratory Therapist – excellence awards, Abigail Lane and John Derek Skidmore;
- Science – outstanding student in general biology, Anastasia Simpson; science education award, Eryn Lindsay; Dr. Glenn O. Workman Jr. plant science award, Michael Howe; outstanding science division award, Jodi Masoncup;
- Sociology – “Changemaker” sociology award, Chloe Parsons;
- Spanish – outstanding student award, William Kunis.

Following the awards presentations, the SGA hosted a dinner reception in the College Center. Music was provided by Don Robinson, retired ACM professor of mathematics.



PHOTO CAPTION==Allegany College of Maryland’s Student Government Association hosted ACM’s recent 47<sup>th</sup> Annual All-College Awards Ceremony. SGA members Uloaku “Jessica” Aniagu, Isabella Lusk, Jajuan Rhue and Bria Witherspoon received special recognition for their service to the college and community Shown with Erin Yokum, SGA adviser, are (from left) Rhue, Aniagu and Lusk. Seventy-seven students received awards in academics and athletics and for service to the college and community.