Buffalo State College Alma Mater

OUR FINEST HOUR
A toast to State, to all the days,
All the laughter, all the tears.
You have made our friendships great,
We'll triumph through the years.
With hope anew we'll face the storm
Beyond which stands your lofty tower –
That will be our finest hour.

In years to come we'll look to thee,
Yearning for your guiding light.
You'll not fail us, Alma Mater,
Keep us through the night.
When darkness comes and all hope dies,
You will give us strength and power –
That will be our finest hour.

L. Harry Ray, ’51

COMMENCEMENT GARDEN
The president of Buffalo State College and the entire college community honor the Class of 2009 by continuing the tradition of the Commencement Garden. Inaugurated in 2000, the permanent garden is located outside the main entrance to the Sports Arena. The garden represents the messages of environmental awareness, growth, and continuity, all visions embraced by the graduating class. Please enjoy the garden and use it as a backdrop for taking pictures of your graduates.

ALUMNI AMBASSADORS
In honor of the 137th anniversary of the college, alumni ambassadors representing Buffalo State's more than 75,000 successful graduates are here today to celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2009. They can be identified by the flowers and ribbons they are wearing.

D. Bruce and Gail Johnstone Endowment
The D. Bruce and Gail Johnstone Endowment, established in 2003, supports Buffalo State’s Commencement ceremonies. D. Bruce Johnstone, with the support of his wife, Gail, served as president of the college from 1979 to 1988 and as chancellor of the State University of New York from 1988 to 1994.

BUFFALO STATE COLLEGE
1300 Elmwood Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14222-1095
www.buffalostate.edu
Today’s undergraduate and graduate Commencement ceremonies at Buffalo State College will resonate in the memories of us all for the rest of our lives. Earning a college degree is a great accomplishment—for the graduates, for their friends and families, and for the faculty and staff who have mentored them.

The college years are years of hard work, a time for late nights of study, examinations, and grueling deadlines. For some of you, your years at Buffalo State have been your first years of independence. Some of you transferred from other institutions, seeking the culmination of years of study. Others have had to balance college work with jobs or with family responsibilities. Some have come seeking opportunities for professional advancement possible only through an advanced degree. Many of you are from the Western New York region, but others have come from across New York State or across the globe.

For each of you, however, whatever your individual story, I hope these years of sacrifice and hard work have also been a time of great joy. Learning, creating, working, serving others—these are the activities that give meaning to life itself, and I urge today’s graduates to remember that life itself is education. The days of formal schooling may be over, but true education should continue for as long as we live. We fully expect that our graduates’ greatest accomplishments are still to come.

Today certainly marks a momentous occasion, but as Susan B. Anthony once said, “Sooner or later we all discover that the important moments in life are not the advertised ones, not the birthdays, the graduations, the weddings, not the great goals achieved. The real milestones are less prepossessing. They come to the door of memory unannounced...amble in...and simply never leave. Our lives are measured by these.”

May the lives of today’s graduates be filled with such moments when they realize, retrospectively, that their days at Buffalo State College have been days well spent, that the friendships they have made here have endured, and that the lessons they have learned have served them well.

For me, today’s ceremony has special significance as well, for this is my last Commencement day as president of Buffalo State College after 13 years. Like today’s graduates, this moment marks a great beginning for me, as well as the culmination of years of work. I, too, expect that in the years to come, I will recall my days at Buffalo State as some of the happiest and most important of my life.

I offer all the graduates congratulations and best wishes for future success and happiness. We are proud to call them alumni, and we remind them that Buffalo State College will forever be a part of their lives.

Sincerely,

Muriel A. Howard, Ph.D.
President
Dr. Muriel A. Howard has served as the president of Buffalo State College since 1996. Under her leadership, the college has increased and enhanced academic programs and services. A new general education program, Intellectual Foundations, was instituted in 2006. In addition to teacher preparation, the college has become known for its leadership in arts and culture, inaugurating the new $30 million Burchfield Penney Art Center at Buffalo State College in November of 2008. Including the new art center, the college is investing over $350 million in new capital construction projects. This summer, a new science and math complex and a new 503-bed apartment-style residence hall will be under construction. The main academic quad will be completely renovated, and a project is under way to provide access to Internet2. The School of the Professions, one of the fastest-growing schools on campus, will begin construction on a new technology building in the fall of 2010.

Dr. Howard’s professional and scholarly interests include educational leadership and the representation of women and minorities in the academy. She is involved in the leadership development of students through course instruction and seminars. In addition, Dr. Howard mentors new college presidents and trains those aspiring to become college presidents through her affiliation with the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) New Presidents’ Academy and Millennium Leadership Initiative.

President Howard is the former chair of the AASCU board of directors. The organization’s mission is to open the door of opportunity of higher education to all citizens and to embrace students who traditionally have been underrepresented in American colleges and universities. Buffalo State College emulates this mission under the leadership of President Howard. In 2007, she was appointed by the U.S. secretary of defense to the Air University Board of Visitors. Her other national board commitments include the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities (CUMU), the American Academic Leadership Institute (AALA), the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) Advisory Board, and the Voluntary System of Accountability Commission (VSA) Presidential Advisory Committee.

Throughout her career, President Howard has devoted her time and professional service to numerous local and regional boards and organizations. Currently, she serves on the boards of directors of merchants Insurance, Kaleida Health, Niagara University, the Buffalo Niagara Partnership, the King Center Charter School, and the Buffalo Public Schools Foundation. She is also a member of the Judicial Merit Selection Panel for the United States District Court, Western District of New York.

Her service to the State University of New York includes membership on the SUNY Chancellor’s Search Committees both in 1996 and 2007–2008, the Chancellor’s Advisory Group on Leadership, the University Council of Presidents, the Advisory Council on Teacher Education, and the board of the Center on Russia and the United States. She is also a member of the H. H. Richardson Preservation Board, a gubernatorial appointment.

President Howard has been honored with various awards and recognitions for her contributions to public higher education, service to the community, and commitment to diversity. Last year, she received the Am-Pol Eagle Citizen of the Year Community Leader (Non-Pole) Award. Other selected awards include the State University of New York Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Professional Service; the honorary doctorate of humane letters from the City University of New York; the University at Buffalo Distinguished Alumna Award; the American Jewish Committee Institute of Human Relations Award; the Black Educators Association of Western New York, Educator of the Year Award; and the Cardinal Newman Award from the Newman Center, Buffalo State College.

She is a past recipient of the Governor’s State Division of Women Award for Excellence in Education, and a charter inductee into the Western New York Women’s Hall of Fame. She was also honored as the 2006 recipient of the Athena Award.

A graduate of the City University of New York’s Richmond College, President Howard holds a master’s degree in education and a doctor of philosophy degree in educational organization, administration, and policy from the University at Buffalo, as well as a certificate from the Institute for Educational Management at Harvard University.

Prior to coming to Buffalo State, Dr. Howard was the vice president for public service and urban affairs at the University at Buffalo, where she served in various leadership capacities over a 23-year period.

She is the seventh president of Buffalo State and the college’s first female president.
MORNING BACCALAUREATE CEREMONY
10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE
The Rockwell Brass
Ricky L. Fleming, Director
Associate Professor, Music

PROCESSIONAL
The Rockwell Brass
Bryan W. Boyce, Accompanist
Assistant Professor, Music
Melvin J. Hoffman, Mace Bearer
Professor Emeritus, English

CONVENING
Howard A. Zemsky
Vice Chair, Buffalo State College Council

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Members of the Buffalo State College Chamber Choir
Thomas E. Witakowski, Director
Associate Professor, Music

WELCOME
Muriel A. Howard
President, Buffalo State College

SUNY CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Lai See Wan, Class of 2009
Bachelor of Science, Forensic Chemistry

Presenter
Muriel A. Howard

SUNY CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE
PRESIDENT’S MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT
Jenelle N. Orosz, Class of 2009
Bachelor of Science, English Education 7–12

Presenter
Muriel A. Howard

STUDENT ADDRESS
Jenelle N. Orosz

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD
Karen E. Penfold, ’69
Community Leader
Todd W. Brason, ’85
Health Care Executive

Presenters
Manus “Chris” O’Donnell, ’77
President, Buffalo State College Alumni Association
Muriel A. Howard

PRESIDENT’S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
Gary M. Brost
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Strategic Investments & Holdings Inc.

Presenter
Muriel A. Howard

CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREE
SUNY Doctorate of Letters
Marsha Norman
Playwright, Screenwriter, Novelist

Presenters
Muriel A. Howard
Howard A. Zemsky

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Marsha Norman

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RECESSIONAL
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AFTERNOON BACCALAUREATE CEREMONY
2:00 p.m.

PRELUDE
The Rockwell Brass
Ricky L. Fleming, Director
Associate Professor, Music

PROCESSIONAL
The Rockwell Brass
Bryan W. Boyce, Accompanist
Assistant Professor, Music
Peter S. Pawlik, Mace Bearer
Professor Emeritus, Technology

CONVENING
James Brandys, ’71, ’73
Member, Buffalo State College Council

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Members of the Buffalo State College Chamber Choir
Thomas E. Witakowski, Director
Associate Professor, Music

WELCOME
Muriel A. Howard
President, Buffalo State College

SUNY CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Gertrude B. Antwi, Class of 2009
Bachelor of Arts, Biology
Bachelor of Arts, Chemistry

SUNY CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Huewayne A. Watson, Class of 2009
Bachelor of Arts, History

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Huewayne A. Watson

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD
Anthony J. Baynes, ’79
Chief Executive Officer, A. J. Baynes Group
Ronald James Kelley, ’86
Physicist, Entrepreneur

Presenters
Manus “Chris” O’Donnell, ’77
President, Buffalo State College Alumni Association
Muriel A. Howard

PRESIDENT’S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
Benjamin M. Zuffranieri, ’80
Partner, Hodgson Russ LLP

Presenter
Muriel A. Howard

COLLEGE COUNCIL MEDAL
Dominique Z. Gabriel, Class of 2009
Student Representative, Buffalo State College Council

Presenter
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MASTER’S HOODING AND C.A.S. CEREMONY
6:00 p.m.

PRELUDE
The Rockwell Brass
Ricky L. Fleming, Director
Associate Professor, Music

PROCESSIONAL
The Rockwell Brass
Bryan W. Boyce, Accompanist
Assistant Professor, Music
John E. Mack, Mace Bearer
Associate Professor Emeritus, Earth Sciences
and Science Education

CONVENING
William J. Bissett
Member, Buffalo State College Council

NATIONAL ANTHEM
Members of the Buffalo State College Chamber Choir
Thomas E. Witkowski, Director
Associate Professor, Music

WELCOME
Muriel A. Howard
President, Buffalo State College

SUNY CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Aimee M. Levesque, Class of 2009
Master of Arts, English
Presenter
Muriel A. Howard

SUNY CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Diego E. Uribe Larach, Class of 2009
Master of Science, Creative Studies
Presenter
Muriel A. Howard

PRESIDENT’S MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT
Diego E. Uribe Larach

STUDENT ADDRESS
Diego E. Uribe Larach

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS
Alan November
Senior Partner and Founder, November Learning

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Associate Provost and Dean of the Graduate School

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Marsha Norman is a Pulitzer Prize–winning playwright and co-chair of the Lila Acheson Wallace American Playwrights Program at the Juilliard School. This season, she is also teaching the Master’s Thesis Playwriting class at New York University and writing the “Gina” episodes for the HBO series *In Treatment*. Her passion stems from a personal belief that “our need for stories is all-consuming. It’s how we learn, how we remember, how we order our existence, decide what to do, and figure out what’s in store for us.”

Ms. Norman was awarded Tony and Drama Desk awards for the musical version of Frances Hodgson Burnett’s children’s classic, *The Secret Garden*. She has also received a Tony nomination for Best Book of a Musical for *The Color Purple*. *The Color Purple*, which opens next month at Shea’s Performing Arts Center, has received 11 Tony nominations.

Ms. Norman was educated at Agnes Scott College and at the University of Louisville. After graduating from Agnes Scott with a degree in philosophy, she worked as a journalist for the *Louisville Times* and wrote for Kentucky Educational Television. Her first play, *Getting Out*, explores a woman’s reentry into society from prison. It was presented by the Actors Theatre of Louisville in 1977 and a year later in New York. *Getting Out* was a co-winner of the Great American Play Contest. It also won her the Oppenheimer Award, the John Gassner Playwriting Medallion, and an American Theatre Critics Association citation.

Ms. Norman won a Pulitzer Prize for the gripping drama *Night, Mother* (1983), in which Jessie, a divorced woman who lives with her widowed mother, announces her intention to commit suicide. Ms. Norman was playwright in residence for the Actors Theatre, which produced her plays *Third and Oak* (1978) and *The Circus Valentine*. She is a frequent lecturer and essayist and has written one novel, *The Fortune Teller*.


She was formerly the vice president of the Dramatists Guild of America and is a member of the Fellowship of Southern Writers. She serves on the boards of Agnes Scott College and the Writers Guild of America, East Foundation.
Dominique Gabriel has served as student representative to the Buffalo State College Council, which is just one of her many leadership roles on campus. Today she graduates with a bachelor of arts degree in political science and a minor in public administration.

Ms. Gabriel has shown an interest in leadership and service since she came to Buffalo State in 2005. She was invited to apply for the position of resident adviser, which she held for two years. She also became active in the Caribbean Students Organization, serving as treasurer.

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Alan November

Alan November is an author and international leader in education technology. He has written two books, Empowering Students with Technology and Web Literacy for Educators. Mr. November was co-founder of the Stanford Institute for Educational Leadership through Technology and was selected as one of the original five national Christa McAuliffe Educators.

Mr. November began his career as an oceanography teacher and dorm counselor at an island reform school for boys in Boston Harbor. He has been the director of an alternative high school, a computer coordinator, a technology consultant, and a university lecturer. He has helped schools, governments, and industry leaders improve the quality of education through technology.

Mr. November was named one of the nation’s 15 most influential thinkers of the decade by Technology and Learning magazine. In 2001, he was listed as one of eight educators to provide leadership into the future by the Eisenhower National Clearinghouse. In 2007 he was selected to speak at the Cisco Public Services Summit during the Nobel Prize festivities in Stockholm, Sweden.

His areas of expertise include planning across curriculum, staff development, new school design, community building, and leadership development. He has delivered keynote speeches and workshops in all 50 states, across Canada, and throughout Europe, Asia, and Central America. Each summer, Mr. November leads the Building Learning Communities summer conference with world-class presenters and international participants.

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Gary M. Brost

Gary Brost, chairman of Strategic Investments & Holdings Inc., started his career in the financial industry as an accountant. After progressing to numerous management positions at a major bank, he founded Strategic Investments & Holdings. Since its inception in 1983, Strategic Investments has made approximately 100 acquisitions while investing more than a quarter-billion dollars of equity capital.

In addition to holding a bachelor’s degree from Allegheny College and an M.B.A. from the University at Buffalo, Mr. Brost is a graduate of Harvard Business School’s Program for Management Development.

He serves on the boards of directors of several businesses, including Microcision LLC and Merchants Mutual Insurance Company. He is also a board member and past chair of the YMCA’s Camp Weona, and he serves on the board of directors for Gateway-Longview, a child and family services organization. He serves in various volunteer capacities at his alma mater, Allegheny College.

He is currently serving on the boards of the Buffalo Niagara Partnership and the Buffalo Club. He is an active and engaged philanthropist who has demonstrated a deep commitment to the community.

When he became a member of the Burchfield Penney Art Center Board of Trustees in 2001, he embraced the idea of building its new museum. As chairman of the board from 2004 to 2006, he spent hundreds of hours raising money, advocating with elected officials, and working with the college to produce the first new freestanding museum to be built in Buffalo in more than 100 years.

Mr. Brost is also a member of the Buffalo State College Foundation and its Executive Committee. In addition, he serves as chair of its Nominating and Governance Committee, and his many business contacts have been invaluable in securing new members for the foundation’s board of directors. He is dedicated to the unique place Buffalo State holds in the Western New York community.

Benjamin M. Zuffranieri, Class of 1980

Benjamin Zuffranieri is a partner in the law firm of Hodgson Russ LLP, which is among the nation’s oldest law firms. He chairs the firm’s Construction Law Practice Group and serves as the Litigation representative for the firm’s International/ Cross-Border Practice Group. Mr. Zuffranieri is also a member of the American Arbitration Association’s National Roster of Neutrals, and he is a frequent author and lecturer on a wide range of litigation topics. Before joining Hodgson Russ in 1985, Mr. Zuffranieri was confidential law clerk to the Honorable Reid S. Moule, justice of the State Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Fourth Judicial Department.

Mr. Zuffranieri’s professional honors include a listing in The Best Lawyers in America for commercial litigation. He is a past winner of the Charles S. Desmond Moot Court Competition and the Albert R. Mugel National Tax Moot Court Competition, and he received the Judge Matthew J. Jasen Appellate Practice Award for academic achievement.

In the community, Mr. Zuffranieri has been a member of the Literacy Volunteers board of directors, the Burchfield Penney Art Center Council, and the Burchfield Penney Art Center Board of Trustees. He served as a member of Erie County Executive Chris Collins’s transition team, providing advice on the insurance subcommittee.

Mr. Zuffranieri is a longstanding supporter of Buffalo State College. His first term on the Buffalo State College Foundation board of directors began in 1986, and he served as chair from 2001 to 2004. Currently he chairs the Finance and Audit Committee, and he is a member of the Nominating and Governance, Executive, and Fall Event committees. He is always ready to assist the college and is unfailingly generous with his time and expertise.

In addition to providing outstanding leadership, he has shared his business knowledge, legal expertise, and financial acumen with Buffalo State in countless ways during his tenure. His thoughtful, thorough analysis and advice have benefited Buffalo State and the foundation on issues ranging from finance administration to oversight and governance. His steady leadership and deep commitment to the well-being of the institution have been an inspiration.

Mr. Zuffranieri is also a past member of the board of directors of the Buffalo State College Alumni Association. He has been instrumental in securing the support of his firm as a corporate sponsor for numerous Buffalo State College and Burchfield Penney Art Center events.
Anthony J. Baynes, Class of 1979

Anthony Baynes is a successful entrepreneur, a respected community leader, and an enthusiastic supporter of Buffalo State College.

Mr. Baynes is the chief executive officer of the A. J. Baynes Group, which he founded in 1980. The A. J. Baynes Group, headquartered in Buffalo, has become one of the leading third-party transportation and logistics providers in the country. It includes A. J. Baynes Freight Contractors Ltd., Extra Mile Transportation, and Evolution Development.

The Baynes companies have an outstanding record of success as measured by customer satisfaction and corporate financial performance. Extra Mile Transportation was named the fastest-growing company in 2002 by Business First of Buffalo in its Fast Track 50 competition. The company was also named to the Inc. 500 list of America’s fastest-growing companies in 2001, 2002, and 2003.

Many community organizations have benefited from Mr. Baynes’s expertise. He is a member of the Roswell Park Alliance Community Advisory Board and a board member of the Bison Scholarship Fund, a privately funded tuition-assistance program for low-income families. He previously served as treasurer of the board of Women and Children’s Hospital of Buffalo.

From 2006 to 2008, he chaired the Erie County Fiscal Stability Authority, gaining community-wide acknowledgement for his ability to unify and strengthen the control board and contribute to the well-being of Erie County and its residents.

His dedication to the community has been recognized by many awards, including the 2008 Leadership Buffalo Values Award, the 2007 Buffalo News Outstanding Citizen of the Year, the 2006 Italian American of the Year Award for outstanding contribution to the Buffalo community, and the Burt P. Flickinger Jr. Volunteer of the Year Award from Women and Children’s Hospital of Buffalo.

Mr. Baynes joined the board of directors of the Buffalo State College Foundation in June 2007 and immediately accepted a leadership role in the foundation’s largest fundraising event. As co-chair of the 2008 Foundation Scholarship Gala, Mr. Baynes, along with co-chair Eunice Lewin, presided over the most successful gala in the event’s history, attracting nearly 550 guests and surpassing its fundraising goal of $250,000.

Mr. Baynes is also co-chair of the Development Committee of the board of directors of the foundation, and serves as a member of the Executive Committee. Both he and his companies are generous financial contributors to the college. He and wife, Eileen, have two children, Katie and Anthony.

Todd W. Brason, Class of 1985

Todd Brason exemplifies professional accomplishment, community service, and support for Buffalo State College.

As chief executive officer of the highly successful Willcare, Mr. Brason has excelled in his profession. Willcare is a home health care company employing about 800 people in Western New York. Its philosophy is to provide personalized service while building beneficial relationships with hospitals, nursing facilities, and physicians; and to be recognized for reliability, rapid response, and ease of use. Overall, the company has 1,600 employees and annual revenues of more than $50 million. Willcare was named to the 2008 HomeCare Elite, a compilation of the most successful home health care providers in the United States. It has been ranked among Buffalo’s top private and fastest-growing companies by Business First.

In the community, Mr. Brason serves on the board of directors, as a former trustee and current chair, of the Greater Buffalo Chapter of the American Red Cross. He is a former and current board member of various other community organizations as well. He is very active with, and has held leadership roles in, several professional and service organizations on the state and national levels, and has provided guidance on human service issues. He is a committed advocate for seniors and long-term health care.

Mr. Brason was elected to the board of directors of the Buffalo State College Foundation in 1998. During his tenure as chair from 2004 to 2007, he presided over three successive years of increased fundraising and growth in foundation assets. Areas of focus during his chairmanship included improved board recruitment and development, promoting the college and its students as important community assets, and increasing support for the Buffalo State All College Honors Program.

Both Mr. Brason and Willcare have been very generous and consistent financial contributors to Buffalo State College and the Burchfield Penney Art Center for more than a decade.
Karen E. Penfold, Class of 1969

Karen Penfold is an outstanding community leader whose support of Buffalo State has been generous and inspirational. For more than 20 years, Ms. Penfold has been championing Buffalo State. She has served as an alumni ambassador, a member of the Buffalo State College Foundation board of directors, and a member of the steering committee for the foundation’s successful $10 million Endowing the Future campaign, to which she contributed generously.

Ms. Penfold, who earned her bachelor’s degree in elementary education from Buffalo State, has a long history of service to the Western New York community. After raising a family and selling their business, C.I.D. Group Inc., an environmental and solid waste services company, she and her husband, Richard, have continued their commitment to philanthropy throughout the community.

Ms. Penfold has served as a trustee for St. Bernadette Parish and as a volunteer for the American Heart Association, Vive La Casa, the Kenmore Mercy Hospital Foundation, the Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society, and many other local organizations. She has served on the boards of St. Mary’s High School, St. Francis High School, Canisius College, Immaculata Academy Parents Guild, the Sisters of Mercy Development Council, Kenmore Mercy Hospital, the Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, and the Hamburg Rejuvenation Project. She has received the Woman of the Year Award from the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, the Pioneer Investors Award from the Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society, and the Elaine Mack Community Service Award from Hopevale Inc. Other community awards include the Red Jacket Award from the Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society and the Sister Mechtilde Memorial Award from the Kenmore Mercy Hospital Foundation.

At Buffalo State, she has established the Karen Kostecky Penfold All College Honors Program Scholarship. When Buffalo State celebrated its 125th anniversary, Ms. Penfold made an unrestricted leadership gift to the college. She also has supported numerous other projects at Buffalo State, including the Great Lakes Center and the new Burchfield Penney Art Center at Buffalo State College. With her husband, she sponsored the new museum’s gift shop, the Museum Store.
Jenelle N. Orosz

Jenelle Orosz earned a bachelor of science degree in secondary English education (honors designation) with a cumulative GPA of 3.95. Her outstanding academic work is even more remarkable because she has been involved in many aspects of student life at Buffalo State.

Ms. Orosz competed on the college’s varsity women’s indoor and outdoor track and field team, and served as its captain for three years. She made Buffalo State history as the first female track and field athlete to become an All-American by placing sixth in the high-jump competition at the NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field National Championship Meet in 2007. She made the all-SUNYAC (State University of New York Athletic Conference) track and field team three times. She extended her athletic skills into the realm of community service by volunteering as a high-jump coach at North Tonawanda Senior High School, from which she graduated.

She also excelled as a scholar. She was admitted to the Buffalo State All College Honors Program and received the associated scholarship. She also received the Brigitte V. Kallen Scholarship Award in 2006. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi, the national honor society for educators, and of the National Council of Teachers of English.

Her presentation “Creating a Schoolhome in the Age of No Child Left Behind” was accepted by the American Educational Studies Association, and she presented it at the 2007 AESA Conference in Cleveland, Ohio. She also presented a research project, “Where Did You Read That? Social Engineering in Beowulf,” at the Buffalo State Student Research and Creativity Celebration in 2007.

Ms. Orosz plans to earn her master’s degree in English education at Buffalo State.

Huewayne A. Watson

Huewayne Watson earned a bachelor of arts in history and a minor in African and African American studies with a cumulative GPA of 3.58. Mr. Watson, who immigrated to the United States from Jamaica with his family, plans to pursue graduate studies in history.

In recognition of his academic abilities, Mr. Watson received several scholarships including the All College Honors Program Scholarship, the Ross B. Kenzie Family Presidential Scholarship, the Bernard and Nancy Beller Endowed Scholarship, and the Dr. Anna P. Burrell Scholarship. He was accepted into the Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program, from which he received the outstanding junior award. He also is a member of Phi Alpha Theta, the national history honor society.

Mr. Watson credits his parents with instilling in him the value of education; he believes that knowledge can conquer ignorance. He has achieved academic excellence as evidenced by the many conferences at which he has presented his research, including the New York State Sociological Association’s 56th Annual Meeting in 2008.

He has also been a student leader on campus, serving as executive vice president of United Students Government and a student representative on the President’s Council on Equity and Campus Diversity, the Commencement Committee, and the College Senate Budget and Staff Allocations Committee. He served as a research intern for the Buffalo Common Council North District Office, where he studied the Erie Canal and learned that historical research could have an impact on communities by affecting public policy.

Mr. Watson also participated in many volunteer activities, including tutoring and peer mentoring.

The President’s Medal is the highest honor the college awards to its graduating students. It recognizes excellence and distinction in scholarship, service to the college and community, and overall achievement.
Diego Uribe Larach earned a master of science degree in creative studies with a GPA of 4.0. He plans to pursue a doctoral degree.

Mr. Uribe Larach, a citizen of Chile and a Fulbright scholar, carefully considered his options before choosing to attend the International Center for Studies in Creativity at Buffalo State. He worked in international business before deciding to pursue a graduate degree.

His academic work was outstanding, reflecting great depth of thought. The combination of intellectual giftedness and experience in the business world made his participation in class a valuable asset. He identified his own research topic for his thesis, which is a quantitative comparison between the effects of emotional and factual information on artistic creativity.

Mr. Uribe Larach also led two significant initiatives on behalf of the Creative Studies Department. Through an independent study, he created an International Center for Studies in Creativity in the virtual world known as Second Life, designing classroom and meeting space within Buffalo State’s virtual space. To support faculty use of this space, he wrote a manual for the department. The resulting use of the space captured the attention of Tufts University’s Visual Understanding Environment’s software team, and he has been invited to contribute an article to a special issue of Creativity and Innovation Management, a European refereed journal.

While in graduate school, Mr. Uribe Larach served as a creativity and innovation trainer and consultant to clients that include Xerox, IBM, and Universidad del Desarrollo in Santiago, Chile.

Gertrude Antwi earned a dual bachelor of arts degree with majors in biology (GPA 3.95) and chemistry (GPA 3.86). She plans to attend medical school.

Ms. Antwi immigrated to the United States from Ghana, where she attended boarding schools while her parents, who were already in the United States, prepared to bring their children here. She completed her senior year of high school in the United States and applied to Buffalo State.

Ms. Antwi conducted research into genetic variations among Daphnia minnehaha and presented her work at the Buffalo State College Ronald E. McNair Scholars Research Symposium and the Student Research and Creativity Celebration. She also was a member of several campus organizations, including the Pan African Students Organization, the Chemistry Club, and the Buffalo State College Newman Center. She also served as an enthusiastic ambassador for the college and for the All College Honors Program. Her awards include the Biology Honors Research Award; the C-STEP Recognition Award for achieving the highest GPA in 2006–2007; and the Greatbatch Enterprises Inorganic/Physical Chemistry Award. She served as a senator in United Students Government and as a student host for the Buffalo State College Foundation Scholarship Gala.

In addition, Ms. Antwi published three poems in Elm Leaves, a college literary publication. She is a member of Phi Lambda Upsilon, the national honor society for chemistry students; Iota Sigma Pi, the national honor society for women in chemistry; and the Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program.

She has also been active as a volunteer and took part in the Alternative Spring Break program sponsored by the Newman Center, traveling to Chicago and Pittsburgh to help the needy during spring breaks as well as doing community service work locally.
Aimee Levesque

Aimee Levesque earned a master of arts in English and achieved a GPA of 3.89 after completing her undergraduate studies at Buffalo State College magna cum laude in 2006. Since childhood, Ms. Levesque has been passionate about literature, and she is developing a specialization in the relatively new field of disability theory. She plans to earn her doctorate in English.

Ms. Levesque is interested in eighteenth- and nineteenth-century literature, especially travel narratives, disability theory, print culture, and gender issues. Her academic accomplishments include participating in Buffalo State College’s 2009 Women’s Studies Research Symposium and serving as chair of the panel “African and American Transatlantic Slave Trades and Travel Narratives” at the 2009 American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies conference in Richmond, Virginia. At the Child and the Book Conference in Buffalo in 2008, she chaired the panel “Picture Books and Identity” and also presented the paper “Yanked from the Closet: The Implications of Outing Dumbledore.” She participated in the 2008 American Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies Graduate Student Caucus and helped found Buffalo State’s English Club and Sigma Tau Delta. She also works as assistant to Dr. Lisa Berglund, associate professor of English, who is executive secretary of the Dictionary Society of North America.

Ms. Levesque, whose daughter has been diagnosed with an autism-spectrum disorder, is an advocate for special-needs children and their families across Western New York. Her extensive efforts have been recognized with several awards, including the National PTA Healthy Lifestyles Award, the PTA Advocate in Action Award, and the National PTA Unit Achievement Award. She has integrated this issue into her scholarship by exploring themes and ideas in literature that have a disabled character or characters. She plans to present a paper related to this topic, “Dwarfed Expectations: Cultural Perception of the Disabled in Fairy Tales for Children,” at a conference in Frankfurt, Germany, this summer.

Lai Sze Wan

Lai Sze Wan earned a bachelor of science in forensic chemistry with a cumulative GPA of 3.92, while taking full advantage of research and leadership opportunities. She served as a research assistant in the Chemistry Department, where she conducted research into the preparation and characterization of organosilane-based self-assembled monolayers on silicon wafers. She also received two Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowships. She presented her research at several conferences, including the American Chemical Society Northeast Regional Meeting, the Buffalo State Student Research and Creativity Celebration, and the Undergraduate Research Symposium at the University at Buffalo. She has also coauthored articles that appeared in scientific journals, including “Formation, Structure, and Reactivity of Amino-Terminated Organic Films on Silicon Substrates,” which appeared in the *Journal of Colloid and Interface Science.*

Ms. Wan, who immigrated to the United States from Hong Kong with her family, attended high school in New York City, where she developed an interest in science. She chose forensic chemistry so that she could combine a career as a scientist with hands-on work.

Following the advice of her academic adviser, Ms. Wan became active in extracurricular activities. She served as treasurer of the Chemistry/Forensics Club and took part in community volunteer work.

She received a number of awards, including the Greatbatch Enterprises Organic Chemistry Award for outstanding performance in organic chemistry and a certificate of recognition for outstanding job performance during her internship at the New York Police Department.

Ms. Wan intends to pursue graduate work in her discipline.
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Travis M. Winters
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- Ashley M. Dauphin**
- Kim M. Dinicolantonio**
- Ashley L. Dlugosz**
- John P. English***
- Eve C. Everett***
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- Cordero A. King**
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- Emily A. Mackay**
- Rachel E. Mooney***
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Ross B. Kenzie Family Presidential Scholarship Graduates

- Gertrude B. Antwi***†
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- Gertrude B. Antwi****†
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- Jennifer M. Grasso
- Darryl L. Hamilton
- Sara R. Howard**
- Juan Jesus
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Jody K. Martorana
David Vernon Bullough Memorial Award

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM
Stephanie A. Lehten
Buffalo State College Alumni Association Award
Hang Li Lin
Buffalo State College Alumni Association Award
William O. Logan
Arthur O. Eve Distinguished Student Achievement Award

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AND READING
Ginger M. DeMita
Alice Stelow Whiting Schmidt ‘41 Endowed Scholarship in Elementary Education
Kaitlin A. Povinelli
Norma Sutter Award for Excellence in Student Teaching (Fall 2008)
Ireel U. Taiveras
Excellence in Urban Education Award

ENGLISH
Josie P. Mark
Dean’s Award for Excellence
Don A. Martinez
English Department Award for Excellence in English

EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION
Stacy M. Eisenhauer
Paul Thoms Council for Exceptional Children Membership Award (2008)
Meghann D. Lombar
New York State Association of Regional Councils Joseph T. Weinberg Scholarship (2008)

FINE ARTS
Marcia L. Bohn
Hyatt’s Award for Excellence in Printmaking (2008)
Karen M. Glassman
Fine Arts Award for Excellence in Sculpture
Thornoray O. Hablutta
Fine Arts Award for Excellence in Plein Air Painting
Joseph P. Keiser
Hyatt’s Award for Excellence in Sculpture
Kayla A. O’Brien
Fine Arts Award for Excellence in Sculpture
Donia D. Torre
Hyatt’s Award for Excellence in Art History
Emily J. Woppenger
Dean’s Award for Excellence in Fine Arts Fine Arts Award for Excellence in Art History

GEOGRAPHY AND PLANNING
Jessica A. Bakert
National Center for Geographic Education (Geography)
James A. Frost
Katherine T. Whittemore Award
Bryan A. Hinterberger
National Center for Geographic Education (Planning)
Brent R. Lasquida
Western New York American Planning Association
Jason J. Pantano
Katherine T. Whittemore Award
Christina A. Rua
Updraft Meteorology Award

HEALTH AND WELLNESS
Megan E. Kanecki
Outstanding Health Public Relations Award
Ashley A. St. Onge
National Undergraduate Major of the Year Award 2008 Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Outstanding Major

HISTORY AND SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION
Jessica M. Burnham
Thomas G. Powell History Award
Daniel H. Laemmle
Dr. Nancy T. Kangro U.S. History Student Award (2008)
Phuong T. Le
Eric Bronger Award of Merit (2008)
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Bernard and Nancy Beller Scholarship Fund David Vernon Bullough Memorial Award in History (2008)
Shannon L. Petrucci
G. Allen McGuffin Award for Excellence in Student Teaching, Anthony Sukowski Scholarship Award (2008)
Huwayne A. Watson
Eric Bronger Award of Merit (2008)
Jason H. Winkelbaum
Donald D. and Barbara J. Leonard Memorial Scholarship Fund Award (2008)

HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM
Olha V. Duerr-Clark
Patio’s Scholarship
Chatell S. Elliott
Hart Hotel Scholarship
William O. Logan
Hospitality and Tourism Department Scholarship New York Restaurant Association Scholarship (2008)
Daniel Porzio
Hospitality and Tourism Department Scholarship
David R. Spagnolo
Patio’s Scholarship

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS
Joseph M. Carr
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2008, 2009)
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2007, 2008, 2009)
SUNYAC Commissioner’s List (2008, 2009)
Margaret R. Hughes
Melissa A. Jeckovich
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2006, 2009)
Carlyyn M. Lopez
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2008, 2009)
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2008)
Nicole A. Mahor
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2008, 2009)
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2009)
Mariana B. Mariano
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2009)
Madeline M. Morse
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2008, 2009)
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2005, 2006, 2007)
Jenelle E. Orzes
Matthew A. Puczma
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2008, 2009)
Laura Pino
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2008)
Kristen L. Reilly
SUNYAC Commissioner’s List (2008, 2009)
Joe R. Russell
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2009)
Rebecca L. Shank
Kristy M. Tartaglia
Travis M. Whitehead
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2008, 2009)
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2007, 2008, 2009)
SUNYAC Commissioner’s List (2008, 2009)
2009 BACCALAUREATE AWARDS

INTERIOR DESIGN
Laura M. Conley  
Arts and Humanities Creative Associate
Wai Hoe Loh  
Arts and Humanities Creative Associate (2008)
Cortney Morrison-Taylor  
Dean’s Award for Excellence in Interior Design

MATHEMATICS
Jeffrey T. Simmons  
Ruth E. Heintz Award in Mathematics

MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES
Holly A. Harp  
Dean’s Award for Excellence in Foreign Language

MUSIC
Melissa Herr  
Dean’s Award for Excellence in Music

PHILOSOPHY AND HUMANITIES
Darla-Jo M. Joyce  
Victor Balowitz Scholarship
Robert E. Krause Jr.  
Outstanding Religious Studies Student
Marinos Maroulis  
Outstanding Philosophy Student (2008)
Jacob O. Platt  
Victor Balowitz Scholarship
Eric T. Umpfreyville  
Outstanding Philosophy Student

PHYSICS
Alexander C. Bennis  
Beverley A. Beery Scholarship Award (2007)  
Orr P. Birdt Award for Physics Research (2008)

POLITICAL SCIENCE
Brenden P. Farrell  
David Vernon Bullough Memorial Award (2008)
Andrew T. Frederick  
Raymond F. Stone Memorial Award
Dominique Z. Gabriel  
David Vernon Bullough Memorial Award

PSYCHOLOGY
Sara R. Howard  
David Vernon Bullough Outstanding Senior in Psychology Award
Bethany M. Wagner  
Dr. Esther McGinn Award in Psychology

SOCIAL WORK
Melanie K. Bobbett  
Excellence in Social Work Award
Stephanie A. Kryst  
Excellence in Social Work Award
Sarah B. Lasker  
Excellence in Social Work Award
Cheryl A. Maskanka  
Excellence in Social Work Award
Mary K. Raichel  
Excellence in Social Work Award

SOCIOLOGY
Cheryl D. Clark  
Richard P. Seibert Sociology Internship Award (2008)
Raymond Cruz  
Conrad Vogler Promising Sociologist Award (2008)
Andrea M. Green  
Neumann-Clement Scholarship in Sociology (2008)
Wendy R. Hilleren  
Neumann-Clement Scholarship in Sociology (2008)
Anna L. Lison  
Neumann-Clement Scholarship in Sociology (2008)
Megan E. Weaver  
Herbert Auerbach Social Action Award (2008)

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
Jennifer L. Dombracki  
Laura Ann Wells Award (2008)
Caralyn M. Lopez  
Alumni Association Scholarship (2008-2009)  
Burd University Scholarship (2007-2009)

STUDENT AFFAIRS
Adrianna E. Anzalone  
Undergraduate Student Employee of the Year (2008)
Jonathan J. Bova  
Luis M. Antonetti Student Humanitarian Award (2008)
Angela M. Brown  
Undergraduate Student Employee of the Year

TECHNOLOGY
Laura E. Bernard  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2007)
Laura J. Bozo  
Carleton Technologies Inc. Scholarship (2007)  
Curtis Snow Co. Scholarship (2007)  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2007)
Shaun M. Coffey  
Glen O. Sallack Scholarship (2007)
Raymond J. Cooper  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2008)
Timothy P. Carcione  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2007)
Salvatore A. Carella  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2008)
Kristina L. Flippin  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2007)
Gary G. Grant  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2008)
Christopher M. Hoefert  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2008)
Blaine M. Koppeler  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2008)
Benjamin G. Lorenz  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2008)
Megan E. Weaver  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2008)

THEATER
Eve E. Everette  
Dean’s Award for Excellence in Theater

WHO’S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES
Gertrude B. Antwi  
Marie Ruth Dubuisson (2008)
Nandani D. Goolsarran  
Darryl L. Hamilton  
Jason L. Knueger  
Angela R. Lambrix  
Gisela Lebron  
Bryanna J. Loos (2008)
Caralyn M. Lopez  
Latoya M. McRae (2007, 2008)
Rachel E. Mooney (2008, 2009)
Russell M. Necon  
Jenelle N. Orosz  
Heidie J. Stauffer  
Jenna M. Villardo  
Bethany M. Wagner  
Sharayah L. Walker  
Lui Zhe Wai
Huawei A. Watson  
Chantal A. Wiedemann

All awards listed were granted in 2009 unless otherwise stated.
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2009 CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES AND C.A.S.

MASTER OF ARTS

December 2008

Garret C. Bentham
Natalie A. DiBaise
Caroline N. Hagood
Gina M. Neureuther
John C. Perrelli
Nicholas J. Richter
Brannon K. Walkowski
Vicki A. Zambito

May 2009

Kripa Asrani
Joseph A. Bess
Matthew R. Braun
Kurt B. Carlson
Mariat Colin
Francis A. Drakes
Michael B. Gifford
Rachel Griffo
Justin M. Herald
Daniel M. Human
Elizabeth M. Jenks
Confianza M. Joseph
Christopher E. Kelly
Julius J. Kiss
Kimberlee A. Cambio
Edwin C. Bywater
Helene A. Cahen
Gabriela Aguilar Fernandez
Martha A. Aguilar Morales
Marcela Aguiluz
Dinora L. Agurcia Diaz
Jamila I. Al Himri
Alia J. Al-Fahad
Said Z. Al-Abri
Ghania M. Al-Hinai
Ibrahim S. AlMadsary
Ali A. Alhatmi
Ruth M. Allen
Gareth J. Allum
Hamdan S. Almaziaid
Mary C. Almoqist
Asma M. Aloufi
Alex A. Altmair
Jennifer J. Anderson
Angie S. Anngari
Gladys E. Arias
Nelsy N. Artunduaga Valle
Prbsca E. Baity
Emilee K. Ballard
Lugarda R. Ballestas
Margaretta Blanco Barragan Munja
Gary Bartolina
Gina L. Beam
Sarina M. Becari
Brenna L. Belardinelli
Stephanie Belhomme
Joel D. Bernosky
Kristen L. Brock
Sara B. Brown
Monica I. Cabrera Jimenez
Dinorah M. Callejas Gonzalez
Michele A. Carlson
Peter A. Chidichimo
2009 CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES AND C.A.S.

August 2009
Tennille M. Anderson
Maisha R. Drayton
Ryan D. Eastum
James P. Fox
Tiffany L. Hamilton
Justyne J. Harris
Elissa M. Mittendorf
Brandi M. Moses
Stephanie K. Norrod
Jessica L. Ograbisz
Morris W. Suttles

December 2008
Jennifer L. Alderfer
Bonnie A. Aschenbrenner
Jeanine M. Babcock
Rachel L. Bagel
Daniel J. Bass
Elizabeth A. Bell
Mary C. Bellanca
Timothy P. Bender
Tanya M. Blachowicz
Melissa A. Blamire
Catlin M. Bondanza
Sarah K. Borawski
Todd M. Bosworth
Melissa M. Bowman
Donald J. Brodhead
Jamie L. Brooks
Kristen V. Buinley
Amanda C. Buscemi
Andrew J. Buscemi
Olga E. Camacho
Gina M. Caporici
Sarah A. Cardinal
Christina S. Carr
John D. Carroll
Lauren J. Cave
Muhammad M. Cetin
Anthony D. Chabalia
Carolyn A. Chaubey
Monique L. Collier
Sean F. Connors
Sarah B. Cornwall
Sheri L. Crangle
Jonathan W. Dalbo
Karen L. Dasaro
Amber M. Dauphin
2009 CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES AND C.A.S.

Sherri L. Degrood
Mary E. Delgadillo
Maria D. DiCarlo
Frank A. Dichristina
Janet E. Dolce
Steven R. Duncan Jr.
Jennifer A. Dumwoodie
D’lynn M. Dustin
Patricia L. Enfield
Christina S. Fettes
Jamie L. Filip
Christine L. Fina
Danielle M. Fisher
Heather D. Flores
Joshua D. Gabel
Pamela L. Garabedian
Kathryn M. Achtyl
Jeanette D. Anderson
Christina M. Andrejcak
April A. Aumick
Curtis J. Bachek
Bridget A. Baker
Brooke L. Baker
Deborah E. Bang
Maria J. Barbopoulos
Mary E. Barrett
Katina M. Base-May
Elizabeth M. Bauer
Carissa Beaudoin
Joyce C. Beers
Erin R. Bell
Maria C. Bennett
Janell P. Bethelmy
Jason R. Bingel
Stephen R. Blask
Michelle D. Botkins
Marie E. Boyer
Melissa A. Breeden
Courtney N. Brown
Parke R. Brown
Anthony G. Bruno
Jeffrey W. Byrnes
Shawn J. Canaski
Deanna L. Celej
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Corey J. Dobbins
Laura A. Donnelly
Rossana N. Droz
Kara L. Egan
Mary C. Eichelberger
Crystal A. Elias
Tara M. Ernst
Bushra Faisal
Robert D. Falk
Raymond J. Farrell
Sarah E. Foels
Lisa J. Foit
Elizabeth A. Ford
Heather M. Fowler
Lindsay M. Fraley
Catherine R. Frandina
Jennifer S. Freeman
Michelle A. Galvez
Crystal R. Garrett
Linda M. Gelet
Allison P. George
Danielle M. George-Gonzalez
Shanna M. Gimme
Amy M. Glowacki
Jennifer A. Glowy
Nicole M. Gordon
Nicole R. Gravino
Maximillian L. Grundly
Stephanie L. Gugino
Ashley N. Habesch
Robert M. Halter
Pamela A. Harig
Richard A. Harris
Amy L. Harrison
Laura M. Hayden
Erica A. Heberling
Kyle J. Heberling
Gailin M. Herbert
Kevin M. Hibbard
James R. Hill
Alicia M. Holland
Jessica J. Holler
Sara C. Holler
Leif J. Johnson
Nancy A. Johnson
Kara L. Egan
Kristen A. Gawrys
Alisha L. Gaynor
Richard A. Gearns
Kevin W. Geiger
Melissa L. Glosek
Courtney B. Gormley
Kimberly M. Gray
Nicholas M. Hanes
Matthew L. Heidemann
Lisa L. Helmbrecht
Colleen B. Herman
Valerie A. Hoffman
Amanda S. Holland
Crystal L. Holman
Duncan E. Hughes
Jessica C. Hulshoff
Kristi L. Jacobson
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Kris L. Jenkins
Ashley M. Jones
Michael J. Kanick
Hannah A. Khan
Andrea L. Kramarz
Lisa A. Kraska
Traci A. Kujawa
Tiffany A. Kulp
Stephen K. Ladley
Michele C. Lalayanis
Amanda D. Laurin
Andrea R. Laux
Shannon E. Lawson
Gisela Lebron
Brenda E. Lee
Angela M. Leone
Heather L. Lloyd
Meghan H. Long
Virginia A. Mackrin
Willis E. Macmillan
Jacquelyn R. Malinowski
Erika J. Marranca
Jessica M. Masocco
Seamus P. McCarville
Jamie L. McCrossan
Jennifer V. Mis
Melissa A. Moore
Keith M. Murphy
Michelle L. Nero
Scott F. Noah
Lori L. O’Rourke
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Margaret J. Michael
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Jeannine M. Klock
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Kathryn E. Kundl
Jennifer M. Kurcsics
Holly C. Labrake
Sandra J. Leffler
Christopher M. Logalbo
Samuel D. Lojacono
David E. Long
Rachael M. Lucca
Meghan O. Maher
Kenneth G. Martin
Kathleen S. Maycock
Gina M. McCartney
Sandra L. McCoulf
Michelle L. McNaughton
Indu C. Menon
Melissa S. Meola Shanahan
Jennifer L. Mergler
Cheri E. Minowski
Joseph D. Molfese
Gwendolyn E. Myers
Heather M. Nace
Arwa S. Nasser
Rebekah M. Niem
Shenika S. Nesarajah
Melissa J. Nie
Marcia L. Nigro
Tracy M. Olsen
Joshua J. Ostroff
Stacy E. Pacanowski
Amanda J. Paolucci
David T. Papke
Laura R. Piechowski
Kimberly Popiela-Saia
Maria A. Postolese
Monica L. Radosky
Kelly J. Remington
Amanda N. Reuter
Marcy L. Reynard
Nicholas Risch
Deanna J. Rizzo
Douglas A. Roberts
Cynthia M. Robinson
Dawn C. Rodgers
Monica M. Rountree
Anna P. Rowley
Becky A. Ryan
Brooke R. Salzman
John A. Sandecki
Colette C. Scherrer
Michelle Schultz
Michael J. Segal

Jennifer L. Sienkiewicz
Dawn E. Simano
Tammy M. Skora
Danielle L. Slayton
Adria Sortino
Ashley M. Spada
Catherine A. Stojanovich
Angela E. Stratahan
Kelly M. Szlabony
Jillian M. Tardif
Elizabeth C. Theriault
Jamie L. Tinch
Michelle T. Tintor
Karen E. Tower
Tamarra J. Turner
Lori E. Vaylen
Nicole R. Vento
Anthony Vittiello
Jayne S. Walter
Sarah E. Waltz
Richard J. Weber
Melissa M. West
Eric Wheeler
Gary M. Wilcox
Kelly M. Wilczynski
Michelle D. Wurzer
Amy E. Zakes
Ann T. Zasowski
Jonathan G. Zasowski
Rebecca A. Zdrojewski
Thomas R. Zineck

August 2009
Kate E. Bagley
Pamela M. Dedla
Chelsea R. Fehskens
John H. Fehskens
Jessica A. Finizio
Rachael L. Fraser
Amy L. Glomb
Sheri L. Greenauer
Adam J. Hamilton
Juan A. Hernandez
Amber C. Holahan
Paul D. Karre
Stacey M. Lyford
Kristen L. Martz
Kristina M. Miles
Ronald M. Moats
Andrea L. Necora
Amy M. Redmond
Mary Ellen Ryan
Stacey C. Simmons

MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

December 2008
Chelsea M. Aichinger
Heather M. Cronin
Daisy T. Darling
Jesika W. Kornaker
Kathryn J. Sarzyniak

May 2009
Andrew I. Hashey
Emilie L. Sears

WHO’S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

Muhammet M. Cetin (2008)
Diego E. Uribe Larich
Aimee M. Levesque
Diane Salterson
Brooke R. Salzman (2008)
Jennifer L. Sienkiewicz
Michael W. Spence
Angela E. Stranahan
Noorjahan E. Wells (2008)

CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED STUDY

December 2008
Lance A. Fertig
Diandra E. Ghirsi

May 2009
Anne Marie Biddlecom
Jeffrey N. Clift
Gregory B. Heer
Ronald M. Perry
Tyler W. Rinker
Mae L. Urban

List compiled March 13, 2009
May 2009 graduate listings are anticipated based on successful completion of courses in progress.

August 2009 graduate listings are anticipated based on successful completion of courses in progress and successful completion of degree requirements during the summer 2009.
2009 GRADUATE AWARDS

ART CONSERVATION

Ana Maria A. Alba
Bandrowski Art Conservation Fellowship (2007)
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2008)
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2007)

Cynthia M. Albertson
Brest Family Art Conservation Fellowship (2007)
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Gerald and Sandra Lippes Art Conservation Fellowship (2008)
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2007, 2008)

Katrina A. Bartlett
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Gerald and Sandra Lippes Art Conservation Fellowship (2007)
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2007, 2008)

Angela B. Campbell
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2008)
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2007)
Stockman Family Foundation Fellowship (2006)
Margaret L. Wendt Foundation Fellowship (2006)

Robert S. Krausser
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2007)
Margaret L. Wendt Foundation Fellowship (2008)

Elizabeth A. Nunan
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Hoskins-Smith Art Conservation Fellowship (2007)
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2007)

Ariel K. O’Connor
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Hoskins-Smith Art Conservation Fellowship (2007)

Stephanie E. Porto
Margaret and Charles Balbach Art Conservation Fellowship (2007)
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2007)

Josiah W. Wagener
Brest Family Art Conservation Fellowship (2007)
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2007)
Keith and Charlotte Otterbein Fellow (2008)
F. Christopher Tahk Fellow (2009)

Dawn L. Walus
Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2008)
Buffalo State College Tuition Scholarship (2006, 2007)
Hoskins-Smith Art Conservation Fellowship (2007)
Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2006, 2007)
Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2008)
National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2007)

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Andrea L. Pecori
Career and Technical Education Graduate Student of the Year

CHEMISTRY

Michael W. Kawa
Buffalo State College Chemistry Alumni Award for Outstanding Chemistry Graduate Student
Greatbatch Enterprises Graduate Assistant Award

CREATIVE STUDIES

Tamara A. Plassencia
Mary Murdock Award for Creative Spirit
Diego E. Uribe Lara
Mary Murdock Award for Creative Spirit

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Amber L. Morcze
Morgan Award for Outstanding Criminal Justice Graduate Student

ENGLISH

Amber M. Dauphin
English Department Outstanding Graduate Student Award

Caroline N. Hagood
English Department Outstanding Graduate Student Award

Daniel M. Humm
English Department Outstanding Graduate Student Award
2009 GRADUATE AWARDS

EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION
Caitlin M. Herbert
Bernard Yormak Award for Outstanding Graduate Student in Exceptional Education

Diane Salverson
Judith Bondurant-Utz Early Childhood Scholarship (2008)

Jennifer L. Sienkiewicz
Richard C. Toome Graduate Student Scholarship

HISTORY AND SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION
Susan Randaccio
E. O. Smith Jr. Endowed Scholarship Award (2007)
Norman F. Weaver Award for Excellence in Historical Research and Writing

LITERACY SPECIALIST
Jennifer L. Alderfer
Alpha Upsilon Alpha Action Research Award Finalist

Carlynn A. Chauby
Alpha Upsilon Alpha Action Research Award Finalist

Lisa L. Helmbrecht
Alpha Upsilon Alpha Action Research Award Finalist

Kathryn J. Sarzyniak
Alpha Upsilon Alpha Action Research Award Finalist

Emilie L. Sears
Alpha Upsilon Alpha Action Research Award

OUTSTANDING MASTER’S PROJECT
Caroline M. Aungst
Geographic Literacy and Second Language Acquisition: How to Connect LOTE Students to Their World (August 2008)
Elaine McKe, Professor of Modern and Classical Languages, Project Adviser

OUTSTANDING MASTER’S THESIS
Awatif Z. Abu-Ahmed
Evaluation of Foreign Aid as an Effective Policy Option for Economic Growth in Developing Countries (August 2008)
Victor Kasper Jr., Associate Professor of Economics and Finance, Thesis Adviser

Dekasset L. Drabo
The Impact of Political Instability on Per Capita Income: Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa (May 2008)
Victor Kasper Jr., Associate Professor of Economics and Finance, Thesis Adviser

Christine L. Fina
I Am Not a ‘Spook’; I am a ‘Lost Boy’: Learning to See the Underachieving Boy in High School English Classes (December 2008)
Aimable Twagilimana, Professor of English, Thesis Adviser

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
Elizabeth M. Bauer
Clinical Excellence Award

Katherine W. Coppola
Academic Excellence Award
Clinical Excellence Award

Kara L. Egan
Academic Excellence Award
Clinical Excellence Award

Allison P. George
Academic Excellence Award (2008, 2009)
Clinical Excellence Award

Angela E. Stranahan
Academic Excellence Award
Deborah Wells-Richmond Foundation Scholarship (2008)

STUDENT AFFAIRS
Justyne J. Harris
Graduate Student Employee of the Year

STUDENT PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION
Brenna L. Belardinelli
Outstanding Academic Performance

Justyne J. Harris
Outstanding Academic Performance

Amanda L. Sauter
Outstanding Academic Performance

Michael Spence
Robert A. Davis Scholarship
Outstanding Academic Performance

All awards listed were granted in 2009 unless otherwise stated.
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AWARD PAST RECIPIENTS

**SUNY HONORARY DOCTORATE**

1985
William Cruickshank

1986
B. F. Skinner
Willard Genrich

1987
Milton Glaser
John Patrick Montague
Katherine Dunham

1988
Paul G. Bulger

1989
Tom Wicker

1991
Carl T. Rowan

1992
Mary Futrell
A. R. Gurney

1993
David Maybury-Lewis

1994
Diane English
Milton Rogovin

1995
Charles Rand Penney

1996
Robert Guthrie
Laura Rankin
Cornel West

1997
Elaine Wingate Conway
Tom Fontana
Horace Mann
Robert Pokelwaldt

1998
Avery Brooks
Colin Powell

1999
Barry Callaghan
Allen Tinney

2000
Robert Kresse
Christopher Newton
Oscar Arias Sanchez
Maurice Sendak

2001
Monroe Fordham
Rita Moreno
Thomas Murphy

2002
Ross B. Kenzie
Darlene Clark Hine

**SUNY DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR**

1973
Harold F. Peterson—History

1983
Irene M. Hulicka—Psychology

1987
Vern L. Bullough—Dean, Faculty of Natural and Social Sciences

2002
Francis R. Kowsky—Fine Arts

**SUNY DISTINGUISHED TEACHING PROFESSOR**

1973
Fraser B. Drew—English

1978
Joseph E. Wincenc—Music

1995
Marvin J. LaHood—English

1997
George T. Hole—Philosophy and Religious Studies

1998
Dan A. Kushel—Art Conservation

2000
James D. Haynes—Biology

**SUNY DISTINGUISHED SERVICE PROFESSOR**

1975
John Urban—Biology

1977
Richard Brown—History and Social Studies Education
Stanley A. Czurles—Art Education
Walter B. Greenwood—English

1979
J. Stephen Sherwin—English

1982
Ruth B. Noller—Center for Studies in Creativity

1985
Horace Mann—Exceptional Education

1986
Joseph A. Fekete—Geography and Planning

1992
Nuala M. Drescher—History and Social Studies Education

1997
F. Christopher Tahle—Art Conservation

1999
Edward O. Smith Jr.—History and Social Studies Education

2002
Betty J. Cappella—Educational Foundations

2005
Sharon E. Cramer—Exceptional Education

**SUNY CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING**

1973
Arthur P. Ackerman—Learning and Behavioral Disorders
Eric Brunger—History
Thomas S. Weinberg—Sociology

1974
John C. Carbonara—Philosophy
Bradley A. Lown—Psychology
Richard C. Towne—Learning and Behavioral Disorders

1975
Stanley A. Czurles—Art Education
John B. Morgan—Psychology
Antoinette M. Paterson—Philosophy

1976
M. Virginia Wyly—Psychology

1977
Robert Davitt—Geosciences
James R. Orgen—Geosciences
John A. Palmer—Behavioral and Humanistic Studies
Norman F. Weaver—History

1978
John E. Mack—Geosciences
Rex Miller—Industrial Arts/Vocational Education

1979
Gerhard Falk—Sociology
Francis Lestingi—Geosciences, Physics, Interdisciplinary Sciences

1981
Ann L. Egan—Consumer Studies and Home Economics

1982
Nancy B. Belfer—Design

1985
Marvin LaHood—English

1988
Howard M. Reid—Psychology

1989
Donald D. Leopard—History and Social Studies Education
Frank J. Pascarella—Health, Physical Education, and Recreation

1990
William E. Engelbrecht—Anthropology

1991
James Palermo—Educational Foundations
Richard P. Seibert—Sociology

1994
Victor H. Balowitz—Philosophy and Religious Studies
Donald L. Birrd—Earth Sciences and Science Education
Thomas J. Quatroche—Educational Foundations

1995
Eileen M. Schoaff—Mathematics

1996
Scott G. Ibsen—Center for Studies in Creativity

1997
Virginia E. Graber—Sociology
James O. Grunebaum—Philosophy and Religious Studies
Andrea Guiati—Foreign Language

1998
Katherine B. Hartman—Art Education
Elaine McKee—Foreign Language
Kerran L. Sanger—Communication

1999
David A. Carson—History and Social Studies Education
M. Katherine C. Sacca—Exceptional Education

2001
Frederick C. Howe—Educational Foundations

2002
Michael Johnson—Modern and Classical Languages
Kay Johnson-Gentile—Elementary Education and Reading
### SUNY CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FACULTY SERVICE

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### SUNY CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARSHIP AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

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<td>Center for Health and Social Research</td>
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<td>Earth Sciences and Science Education</td>
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BUFFALO STATE COLLEGE AWARD PAST RECIPIENTS

COLLEGE COUNCIL MEDAL

1994
D. Bruce Johnstone

1996
Donald P. Quinlan, '53

1998
Ross B. Kenzie
Olivia Smith-Blackwell

2000
Arnold B. Gardner

2001
Walter B. Holland Jr.

2002
Brenda Williams McDuffie, '74

2007
Matthew A. Levin-Stankevich, '07
Jody B. Ulrich, '82

2008
Arlene F. Kaukus, '75

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

1965
David O. Cooke, '41—
Assistant Secretary of Defense
William J. Fairlie, '52—
Principal, Woodlawn Junior High School, Buffalo

1966
Donald G. Brossman, '36—
Former Associate Director, NYS Schools Boards Association
Veronica E. Connor, '35—
Supervising Principal, Grand Island Public Schools

1967
Margaret A. Grant, '29—
Director, Home Economics Division, Buffalo State College
Marion G. Olsen, '22—
Principal, Buffalo Public School 84

1968
John P. Walsh, '39—
President Emeritus, The William Hood Dunwoody Industrial Institute
Stanley H. Wittmeyer, '39—
Director, School of Art and Design, Rochester Institute of Technology

1969
Evelyn G. Bell, '27—
Director of Personnel, City of Buffalo School Department
George R. Sherrie, '37—
Vice President Emeritus for Administration, Buffalo State College

1970
Rev Laman H. Bruner Jr., '39—
Chaplain, New York State Assembly
A. Marie Murphy, '32—
Faculty Member, Lockport Senior High School

1971
Howard S. VanHoff, '26—
Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, Buffalo Public Schools
Jack Wolsky, '55—Associate Professor, SUNY College at Brockport

1972
Mildred Keller Campbell, '28—
Community Volunteer and Philanthropist

1973
Martin Fried, '28—
Professor of English, Buffalo State College

1974
Edward W. Sontag, '64—
Department Head, University of Wisconsin School of Education

1975
Dr. Eldene Cook Woelhol, '45—
Director, Psychology Department, Topeka State Hospital

1976
Helen Bickel Wolfe, '55—
Dean, Western Maryland College

1977
George E. Budd, '42—
President Emeritus, Kansas State College of Pittsburg
G. Wesley Ketcham, '34—
Former Education Consultant, Bureau of Elementary and Secondary Education, Connecticut State Department of Education

1978
Albert N. Abgott, '47—
Chairman, Erie County Legislature; President, Partners' Press Inc.

1979
Margaret Goff Clark, '36—
Children's Novelist

1980
William E. Lawson, '72—
Executive Director, Veterans Coordinating Commission

1981
Edward T. Hunt Jr., '52—
General Manager, Western Area, New York Telephone

1982
Kenneth J. Braun, '75—
Erie County Sheriff
Michael J. Fenello, '38—
Deputy Administrator, Federal Aviation Commission

1983
Lenora Cole-Alexander, '57—
Director for Women's Bureau, U.S. Department of Labor
Richard M. Cooke, '52—
Major General, U.S. Marine Corps

1984
Edward P. Quinlan, '53—
CEO and President, Graphic Controls Corp.

1985
Donald F. Resille, '53—
Superintendent, Buffalo Public Schools

1986
Daniel P. Idduk, '56—
Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary, Bofz, Allen, and Hamilton Inc.

1987
Tom Fontana, '73—
Television Writer/Producer (Oz, St. Elsewhere, and Homicide: Life on the Street)

1988
Thomas Y. Hobart Jr., '60—
President, NYS United Teachers AFL-CIO

1989
Robert L'Italian, '50—
General Manager, Teledyne Hanau Division Inc.

1990
Thomas L. Clark Jr., '70—
President, Carver Federal Savings Bank
Thomas F. Higgins, '71—
Erie County Sheriff

1991
Alden F. Schutte, '63—
President, The Schutte Group
Nancy Walker Volkert, '57—
Former President, Volkert Meeting Planners Inc.

1992
Kathleen A. Moskal, '65—
President, Hue Legwear Company
Randolph Smith, '71—
Hartford Hellcats Head Coach; Former Player, Buffalo Braves and New York Knicks

1993
Susan Bring Tobe, '71—
Assistant County Attorney for Erie County

1994
Diane English, '70—
Television Writer/Producer (Murphy Brown)

1995
Mary Lou Rath, '56—
New York State Senator
BUFFALO STATE COLLEGE AWARD PAST RECIPIENTS

1996
Linda Duch, ’76—Buffalo District President, Key Bank
Margaret J. Barr, ’61—Vice President for Student Affairs, Northwestern University

1997
Robert Ian Bruck, ’73—Director, Institute for Environmental Technology Education, North Carolina State University
Lynne M. Shuster, ’68—Volunteer Coordinator, Alliance for the Mentally Ill

1998
William Murabito, ’66—Associate Vice Chancellor for University Life, SUNY System Administration
Kevin O’Connell, ’71—Emmy Award–Winning Broadcaster and Meteorologist, Channel 2 News

1999
James Brandys, ’71/’73—First Vice President—Investments, Merrill Lynch Private Client Group
Torn Calderone, ’86—Vice President for Music Programming and Talent, MTV
Hank Nuwer, ’68—Author

2000
Emestine R. Green, ’59—Educator and Volunteer
Christine N. Thrun, ’81—President and CEO, Thrun Manufacturing

2001
Scott A. Baxter, ’84—Founder and CEO, Vesta Technologies
Kathleen Gaffney, ’71—Playwright and Actress; President, Artescape Inc.
Deborah Oppenheim, ’75—Film and Television Producer; President, Mohawk Productions

2002
Marion Cañedo, ’74, ’81—Superintendent, Buffalo Public Schools
Norma Munger Sutter, ’42, ’59—Educator and Volunteer

2003
Susan Schmidt Bies, ’67—Member, Federal Reserve System Board of Governors
Robert J. Lamendola, ’72—Executive Vice President, The St. Paul Companies; President and CEO, The St. Paul Companies Global Surety and Construction
Howard S. Muscott, ’77—Professor of Education, Rivier College
Anne Rogovin, ’40, ’62—Educator, Author
Paul A. Tokasz, ’71—Majority Leader, New York State Assembly

2004
Rita Argen Auerbach, ’54, ’74—Artist and Educator
Marcia Mulé, ’81—Television Producer
E. Jeannette Ogden, ’77—Buffalo City Court Judge

2005
Harry Ausprich, ’54—President Emeritus, Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania
Robert J. Kaupelis, ’51—Artist and Educator
Theodore G. Sturgis, ’53—Educator and Civic Leader

2006
Sylvia L. Rosen, ’71—Ceramic Artist, Philanthropist
Edwin E. Rosinski, ’50—Founding Director, Office of Research in Medical Education, Medical College of Virginia

2007
Richard C. Auerbach, ’52, ’55—Educator, U.S. Naval Reserve Captain (Retired), Philanthropist
David Lazerson, ’77—Author, Educator, Musician
Stan Szymanski, ’78—Senior Vice President Digital Production, Sony Pictures Imageworks

2008
Byron W. Brown, ’83—Mayor of Buffalo
Brian M. Higgins, ’85—United States House of Representatives, 27th Congressional District of New York
Leonard S. Sikora, ’50—Educator and Advocate

PRESIDENT’S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

1971
Frank Sedita

1972
Hon. Perry B. Duryea Jr.

1973
Ersa Proton

1975
Robert Millonzi

1976
William Donaldson

1977
Katheryne Thomas Whitemore

1978
Florence Baugh

1980
Mildred K. Campbell

1981
Kate B. Wallis

2002
Edna M. Lindemann

2003
Rev. Msgr. John C. Weimer

2006
William J. Magavern II

2008
Eunice A. Lewin

PRESIDENT’S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING

1985–1986
Dr. Francis S. Lestingi—Physics
Howard M. Reid—Psychology

1993–1994
Marianne C. Ferguson—Philosophy and Religious Studies

1994–1995
Robert P. Delprino—Psychology
Kathleen Mallea—History and Social Studies Education
Diane L. Ryndak—Exceptional Education

1995–1996
M. Katherine C. Sacca—Exceptional Education

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Geraldine E. Bard—English
Sharon L. Raimondi—Exceptional Education

1999–2000
Lucy Andrus—Art Education
Deborah L. Hovland—Modern and Classical Languages

2000–2001
Susan M. Leist—English

2001–2002
Zhang Jie—Sociology

2002–2003
Scott L. Johnson—Criminal Justice
Jill M. Norvilitis—Psychology

2003–2004
Gerhard J. Falk—Sociology
Carol B. Kirby—Modern and Classical Languages

2004–2005
Pamela Schuetze—Psychology

2005–2006
Richard J. Herdlein—Student Personnel Administration

2006–2007
Gerard J. Puccio—Creative Studies
Zhang Jie—Sociology

1985–1986
Sidney J. Parnes—Creative Studies Education
Edward M. Schulman—Chemistry
James R. Spotila—Biology

1986–1987
Hadar Iseroff—Biology

1987–1988
Joseph R. Piccillo—Art Education

1990–1991
Ann C. Colley—English

1994–1995
Robert L. Wood—Design

1995–1996
Joseph M. Kelly—Business
F. Christopher Tahl—Art Conservation
Jurgis Karuza Jr.—Psychology

1996–1997
Kimberley N. Irvine—Geography and Planning
P. Rudolph Mattai—Educational Foundations
Charles Mancuso—Performing Arts

1997–1998
H. G. Parsley—Nutrition, Hospitality, and Fashion
Gregory W. Ebert—Chemistry
Ann C. Colley—English

1998–1999
Stephen F. Phelps—Elementary Education and Reading

1999–2000
Maria Assad—Modern and Classical Languages
Harish Sikka—Great Lakes Center for Environmental Research and Education

2000–2001
William F. Wieczorek—Center for Health and Social Research

2001–2002
James L. Palermo—Educational Foundations
Thomas J. Reigstad—English

2002–2003
Stuart H. Davis—Business
Mary C. Hall—E. H. Butler Library

2003–2004
Angeline M. Price—Weigel Health Center
Jerrold J. Richmond Jr.—Physical Plant

2004–2005
Pamela Schuetze—Psychology

2005–2006
Richard J. Herdlein—Student Personnel Administration

2006–2007
Gerard J. Puccio—Creative Studies
Zhang Jie—Sociology

1989–1990
Karen L. Jurewicz—Space Management

1992–1993
Patricia A. Sullivan—Lifelong Learning

1993–1994
Gussie Cranford—Custodial Services
Thomas Laudico—Maintenance Equipment Building System
Marianne R. Savino—Academic Skills Center
Frank Wenske—Physical Plant

1994–1995
Judith L. Janus—Exceptional Education
Florence D. Johnson—Academic Skills Center
Diane H. Sullivan—Weigel Health Center

1995–1996
Janice D. Mazurek—Geography and Planning
Scott R. Eckert—Physical Plant
Mae F. Moses—Physical Plant
Jerold J. Richmond Jr.—Physical Plant

1996–1997
Joseph W. Ball—Campus Services
John D. Lysek—Campus Services
Angeline M. Price—Weigel Health Center
Gail V. Wells—Minority Student Services

1997–1998
Donna L. Brooks—Registrar’s Office
Carolyne S. Fusco—Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Dean’s Office
Stephen S. Mangione—Instructional Resources Center
Stephanie Zuckerman-Awiles—Career Development Center
### PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT

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Awards, names, and titles listed were current at the time awards were given.
**ACADEMIC TRADITION**

**Academic Procession**
The processional begins with the entrance of the seating marshals. After all the degree candidates have been directed to their seats, the faculty members march to their places preceded by the head marshal. The mace bearer leads the platform party, which includes dignitaries, honorees, and the college administration.

**The Mace and Medallion**
By tradition, seals of office and tools of authority have been incorporated in the ceremonies that invest individuals with the responsibilities and power of official leadership. Today purely symbolic, these objects once effected control themselves, the mace having been originally an iron club capable of breaking armor.

About the middle of the thirteenth century, the mace was adopted for civic purposes. Much earlier, seals, from which the college medallion was derived, constituted the official signatures of heads of church and state. Today, the academic seal, representing the office of college president, and the mace, standing for order and authority, have become part of the pageantry of symbolism involved in formal academic ceremonies.

For Buffalo State, both mace and medallion are enhanced by their being the design and work of faculty members. The gold medallion was designed by the late Earl W. Wolfgruber, a member of the Design Department faculty for 20 years. A gift of the Class of 1968, it was first used that year for the inauguration of President E. K. Fretwell Jr. and has been worn on official college occasions since. A neck piece was added in 1987, designed and crafted by Stephen F. Saracino, professor of design.

The 1968 inauguration was also the first occasion for the use of the rosewood and silver mace, designed and built by Douglas E. Sigler, at that time an assistant professor of design. The flaring silver flanges that circle the crown of the mace carry the engraved names of each president of the college. Incorporated in the total design are abstract concepts of flame, dove, and hands, used by the college to signify learning and aspiration. All formal academic processions are led by a mace bearer with this staff of authority in hand.

**The Gold Honors Cord**
Graduates wearing gold cords at commencement have achieved the distinction of graduating with academic honors. An honors citation is given to students who have maintained a minimum 3.50 grade point average for all work completed at Buffalo State. Graduates who have completed a minimum of 54 credit hours at Buffalo State with an average of 3.80 to 4.00 are designated summa cum laude, 3.65 to 3.79 magna cum laude, and 3.50 to 3.64 cum laude.

**The Gold Tassel**
Graduates wearing gold tassels on their mortarboards have completed Buffalo State’s All College Honors Program. Students must maintain a minimum 3.50 cumulative grade point average overall and take a number of honors courses to remain in the program. Qualified students enter the program as freshmen from high school, sophomores already attending Buffalo State, and juniors transferring from community colleges.

All College Honors Program students receive an academic scholarship of $2,000 per year. Scholarship funds are provided by private donations and administered by the Buffalo State College Foundation.

**Academic Attire**
Academic attire—cap, gown, and hood—is higher education’s link with its long and illustrious past. Like judicial dress, it originated in the twelfth century with the medieval clergy, whose ecclesiastical dress probably derived, in turn, from civilian attire at an earlier age. Medieval scholars were almost all clergymen, and the earliest illustrations available show gowns that somewhat resemble cassocks. Universities of the period were primarily education guilds, the term “bachelor” denoting an apprentice, “master” a full member of the guild, and “doctor” one who had attained the highest degree of learning in a particular field.

In the United States, academic attire began to be used extensively at the end of the nineteenth century. It has given America a beautiful and impressive method of signifying academic honors.

The bachelor’s gown is black and worn closed, distinguished by its long pointed sleeves; the master’s is designed to be worn open and has long sleeves with square base and arc cut; the doctor’s, worn open or closed, has velvet panels down the front and three bars on the round, full sleeve. The color of the velvet may signify the field of study.

The hood is the most distinguishing feature of academic attire. Its colors indicate the degree of the wearer and the institution attended. The bachelor’s and the master’s hoods are similar in design, but the bachelor’s is 3 feet long while the master’s is 3½ feet long. The colors of the silk lining exposed in the center of the hood are those of the institution conferring the degree, for example, blue and gold for the State University of New York. The edging of the hood indicates the academic discipline.

Since the hood no longer serves as a head covering, the mortarboard, which originated in English universities, is worn. A long tassel of black or of a color appropriate to the degree is fastened in the middle of the top of the cap. The doctor’s cap may have a gold tassel. Recently, soft velvet tams have become popular for holders of advanced degrees.

Academic attire serves two purposes: It gives a sense of dignity and tradition to the ceremony, and it links those who wear it—students, faculty, and professionals—to all the men and women who have sought learning over the past centuries.
African Kente Cloth
The red, black, and green hood, relatively new on college campuses, is traditionally worn during important ceremonies by the leadership and elders of countries that include the Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Ghana, and Nigeria. In this country, the Kente cloth is worn as a stole on important occasions.

Degree colors are as follows:

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