

# 2012

**2012 COMMENCEMENT**  
**May 12, 2012**

140th Baccalaureate Ceremonies  
Master's Hooding and C.A.S. Ceremony

**Buffalo State**  
*State University of New York*



### **BUFFALO STATE COLLEGE**

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### **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 campus community honor the Class of 2012 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 140th anniversary of the institution, alumni ambassadors representing Buffalo State's more than 100,000 successful alumni are here today to celebrate the achievements of the Class of 2012. They can be identified by the flowers and ribbons they are wearing.

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**BUFFALO STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OFFICERS**

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Howard A. Zemsky, *Chair*  
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Kevin F. Mulcahy, '73, '75, *Interim Dean of the School of the Professions*



## WELCOME TO BUFFALO STATE COLLEGE'S 2012 COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES!

**Commencements are joyous occasions in the life of a university.** They give us an opportunity to honor the successes of our graduates, give thanks to the family and friends who have supported them, and celebrate the spirit of intellectual inquiry that drives everything we do on this campus. They are my favorite days of the academic year—and I am honored this year to celebrate my second Commencement at Buffalo State.

Graduates, you have proven to yourselves and to those around you that you have great reservoirs of talent, intellectual power, and determination. Though you will leave Buffalo State today to conquer new challenges and embrace new opportunities, I do hope you will never truly leave. Remember your alma mater, and return often to share your triumphs with us. You are the heart and soul of Buffalo State. We couldn't be prouder of all you have accomplished and all you will accomplish in the future. You will always be welcome here.

Congratulations to Buffalo State's Class of 2012!

Sincerely,



Aaron Podolefsky, Ph.D.  
President

## CONFERRING OF DEGREES



### **Aaron Podolefsky, Ph.D.**

Aaron Podolefsky became the eighth president of Buffalo State College on July 1, 2010.

The State University of New York Board of Trustees appointed Dr. Podolefsky on the strength of his distinguished career in higher education leadership and scholarship. Soon after his appointment, SUNY Chancellor Nancy Zimpher asked him to co-chair a SUNY-wide task force on the seamless education pipeline.

Dr. Podolefsky was most recently president and professor of anthropology at the University of Central Missouri, where he raised the institution's academic profile, initiated strategic and master planning efforts, cultivated mutually enriching campus-community partnerships, enhanced regional economic development, and launched landmark energy savings and sustainability initiatives.

Dr. Podolefsky previously served as provost and vice president for academic affairs and dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Northern

Iowa. He also taught and served as department chair in Western Kentucky University's Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work and in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at West Virginia University. He was a research associate for the Center for Urban Affairs and Policy Research at Northwestern University.

Dr. Podolefsky earned a Ph.D. with distinction in anthropology from SUNY Stony Brook. He holds master of arts degrees in liberal studies and anthropology (also from SUNY Stony Brook) and a bachelor's degree in mathematics from San José State University. He is the author of numerous scholarly works, including books, textbooks, and articles. Dr. Podolefsky is a fellow of the American Anthropological Association, elected by the organization's executive committee in recognition of his significant contributions to the field of anthropology.

Dr. Podolefsky is married to Ronnie Lynn (Shapiro) Podolefsky, an attorney specializing in civil rights, employment law, and mediation. The Podolefskys have two adult sons, Noah and Isaac.

## MORNING BACCALAUREATE CEREMONY

10:00 a.m.

### PRELUDE

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

### PROCESSIONAL

The Rockwell Brass  
Emily W. Boyce, *Accompanist*  
*Assistant Professor, Music*  
Lawrence W. Scott, *Mace Bearer*  
*Associate Professor Emeritus, Computer Information Systems*

### CONVENING

Howard A. Zemsky  
*Chair, Buffalo State College Council*

### NATIONAL ANTHEM

Members of the Buffalo State College Chamber Choir  
Victoria J. Furby, *Director*  
*Assistant Professor, Music*

### WELCOME

Aaron Podolefsky  
*President, Buffalo State College*

### CONGRATULATORY REMARKS

Eunice A. Lewin  
*Trustee, State University of New York*

### SUNY CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE

Devon A. Cozad, *Class of 2012*  
*Bachelor of Arts, English*  
James L. Wangelin, *Class of 2012*  
*Bachelor of Science, Business Administration*  
Gabriela Moreno, *Class of 2012*  
*Bachelor of Arts, Arts and Letters*

#### Presenters

Kaitlyn M. Beachner, '12  
*SUNY Board of Trustees, Student Trustee*  
*President, SUNY Student Assembly*

Eunice A. Lewin  
Aaron Podolefsky

### BACCALAUREATE STUDENT ADDRESS

Gabriela Moreno

### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

Thomas K. Lytle, '82  
*Former Vice President of Promotions, Island Def Jam Music Group*

#### Presenters

Matthew E. Ryan, '99  
*President, Buffalo State College Alumni Association*  
Aaron Podolefsky

### PRESIDENT'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Linda A. Dobmeier, '71  
*Entrepreneur, Community Leader*

#### Presenter

Aaron Podolefsky

### CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREE

#### SUNY Honorary Doctor of Letters

Carolyn B. Lamm, '70  
*Partner, White & Case LLP*  
*Former President, American Bar Association*

#### Presenters

Kaitlyn M. Beachner  
Eunice A. Lewin

### COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Carolyn B. Lamm

### PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

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### RECESSIONAL

*Please join the campus community in celebration at a reception in the Campbell Student Union.*

### CAPTURING THE MOMENT

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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  
Emily W. Boyce, *Accompanist*  
*Assistant Professor, Music*  
Carol A. Stevens, *Mace Bearer*  
*Associate Professor Emerita, Elementary Education and Reading*

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### SUNY CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE

Chanele R. Haynes, *Class of 2012*  
*Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice*  
Morgan P. Morningstar, *Class of 2012*  
*Bachelor of Science, Psychology*  
Carlos F. Cisneros Vilchis, *Class of 2012*  
*Bachelor of Science, Business Administration*

#### Presenters

Kaitlyn M. Beachner, '12  
*SUNY Board of Trustees, Student Trustee*  
*President, SUNY Student Assembly*  
Eunice A. Lewin  
Aaron Podolefsky

### PRESIDENT'S MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT

Gabriela Moreno, *Class of 2012*  
*Bachelor of Arts, Arts and Letters*

#### Presenter

Aaron Podolefsky

### BACCALAUREATE STUDENT ADDRESS

Gabriela Moreno

### YOUNG ALUMNUS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Thomas M. Tran, '04  
*Entertainer*

#### Presenters

Matthew E. Ryan, '99  
*President, Buffalo State College Alumni Association*  
Aaron Podolefsky

### CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREE

#### SUNY Honorary Doctor of Letters

David Karpeles  
*Founder and CEO, Karpeles Manuscript Library Museums*

#### Presenters

Kaitlyn M. Beachner  
Eunice A. Lewin

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## MASTER'S HOODING AND C.A.S. CEREMONY 6:00 p.m.

### PRELUDE

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Ricky L. Fleming, *Director*  
*Associate Professor, Music*

### PROCESSIONAL

The Rockwell Brass  
Emily W. Boyce, *Accompanist*  
*Assistant Professor, Music*  
Sharon F. Cramer, *Mace Bearer*  
*SUNY Distinguished Service Professor Emerita,*  
*Exceptional Education*

### CONVENING

Mylous A. Hairston, '86  
*Member, Buffalo State College Council*

### NATIONAL ANTHEM

Members of the Buffalo State College Chamber Choir  
Victoria J. Furby, *Director*  
*Assistant Professor, Music*

### WELCOME

Aaron Podolefsky  
*President, Buffalo State College*

### SUNY CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE

#### PRESIDENT'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Kaitlyn M. Beachner, Class of 2012  
*Master of Science, Higher Education and Student Affairs Administration*  
*SUNY Board of Trustees, Student Trustee*  
*President, SUNY Student Assembly*

#### Presenter

Aaron Podolefsky

### CONGRATULATORY REMARKS

Kaitlyn M. Beachner

### PRESIDENT'S MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT

Katie M. Sclafani, *Class of 2012*  
*Master of Science in Education, Literacy Specialist*

#### Presenter

Aaron Podolefsky

### STUDENT ADDRESS

Katie M. Sclafani

### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

Crystal Davis Peoples-Stokes, '74, '02  
*New York State Assemblywoman, 141st District*

#### Presenters

Matthew E. Ryan, '99  
*President, Buffalo State College Alumni Association*  
Aaron Podolefsky

### COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Crystal Davis Peoples-Stokes

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*Provost*

Kevin J. Railey  
*Associate Provost and Dean of the Graduate School*

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## CONGRATULATORY REMARKS CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREES



### **Eunice Ashman Lewin**

Eunice Lewin was appointed to the SUNY Board of Trustees on February 2, 2010. For more than 30 years, she was employed as a bilingual social worker for the Committee on Special Education with the Buffalo Board of Education. Previously, she volunteered at Buffalo Catholic Charities in 1976 before being employed there for three years as a social worker and later obtaining a position with the Erie County Department of Social Services in the division of child protection.

Trustee Lewin serves on several boards of directors, including as commissioner of the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority; founding member of the Roswell Park Alliance Foundation; and member of the Buffalo Urban League, Hispanics United of Buffalo, and the Canisius College Board of Regents. She is also a member of the Erie County Chapter of Links, the Hispanic Women's League, and the Buffalo Niagara Guitar

Festival Originators. She was honored with the Ebony and Ivory Civic Award in 1994; inducted into the Western New York Women's Hall of Fame on March 14, 2002; and received the Governor's Award for Excellence in Education in 2002, the National Conference for Community and Justice of Western New York 50th Annual Citation Award in 2003, and the Marcus Garvey Community Service Award in 2004.

Trustee Lewin was born in Guantanamo, Cuba. Her family immigrated to the United States in 1967. She earned a bachelor of arts in sociology from Marymount Manhattan College in New York City before moving to Buffalo in 1976. She obtained a master's degree in American and Puerto Rican Studies in 1978, and a master's degree in educational administration in 1989, both from the University at Buffalo.

Her term with the Board of Trustees expires on June 30, 2016.

## COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS SUNY HONORARY DOCTOR OF LETTERS



### **Carolyn B. Lamm, Class of 1970**

Carolyn B. Lamm, an international arbitration, litigation, and trade lawyer, is the former president of the American Bar Association (ABA) and the District of Columbia Bar. She is currently a partner with White & Case LLP in Washington, D.C.

Ms. Lamm was named one of the 50 Most Influential Women Lawyers in America by the *National Law Journal* in 2007, one of Washington's Top 30 Lawyers by *Washingtonian* magazine in 2009, and one of the Visionaries for 2010 by *Legal Times*.

Ms. Lamm's practice concentrates on international dispute resolution through arbitration, litigation, and trade matters. She has substantial experience with the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes, the North American Free Trade Agreement, and other commercial arbitral forums, including the American Arbitration Association's International Centre for Dispute Resolution, the Vienna Centre, the Stockholm Chamber, and the Swiss Chamber, and in federal court litigation. Ms. Lamm serves as a faculty member for the Institute for Transnational Arbitration and has been an advisory board member since 2007.

Before joining White & Case, Ms. Lamm worked for the U.S. Department of Justice under the Attorney General's Honors Program for law graduates, as a trial attorney in the Civil Division's Fraud Section, and as assistant director for the Civil Division's Commercial Litigation Branch.

In addition to serving as president of the ABA from 2009 to 2010, Ms. Lamm has held a variety of leadership posts within the organization. She served as a representative to the United Nations from 2010 to 2011, as a member of the ABA Board of Governors from 2002 to 2005, and as a member of the ABA House of Delegates from 1982 to 2008.

A former chair of the ABA Young Lawyers Division and of the ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary, Ms. Lamm has also served on numerous committees and in leadership positions with the ABA sections of Litigation, International Law, and Business Law. She has established commissions on diversity and on the impact of the economic crisis on the law profession and legal needs. She appointed the ABA Commission on Ethics 20/20, which will consider possible changes to lawyer ethics rules in light of globalization and changes in technology use by lawyers.

Ms. Lamm is a council member of the American Law Institute and a board member of the American Turkish Chamber of Commerce, the American Indonesian Chamber of Commerce, and the American Uzbekistan Chamber of Commerce.

A native of Buffalo, she received her bachelor of science in exceptional education from Buffalo State and her law degree from the University of Miami School of Law.



## SUNY HONORARY DOCTOR OF LETTERS



### David Karpeles

David Karpeles is the founder and chief executive officer of the Karpeles Manuscript Library Museums, the world's largest private holdings of historic original manuscripts and documents. The Karpeles museums—which include artifacts from history, literature, science, music, art, and religion—are now located in 11 cities across the country, including Santa Barbara, California; Jacksonville, Florida; Shreveport, Louisiana; Duluth, Minnesota; Buffalo, New York; Charleston, South Carolina; and Tacoma, Washington. The museums are open to both scholars and the general public, all free of charge.

Among the collections' more than 1 million treasures are an original draft of the U.S. Bill of Rights; Einstein's description of his Theory of Relativity; George Washington's Thanksgiving Proclamation; letters from Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Jefferson, Galileo Galilei, and Martin Luther; original scores from Mozart, Beethoven, Stravinsky, and Wagner, including the original manuscript of his "Bridal Chorus" ("Here Comes The Bride"), as well as Handel's *Messiah* written in the hand of Beethoven. Military items include the original German surrender agreement from the end of World War II.

Committed to using his collection for the greater good, Dr. Karpeles directs his libraries to provide free educational

programs and lectures for schools at all levels. The most popular of these are the cultural literacy programs and the school outreach programs. In addition, 242 mini-museums are maintained in many universities, secondary schools, and grade schools throughout the United States and Canada.

Born in Santa Barbara, California, Dr. Karpeles earned his undergraduate degree in three years from the University of Minnesota Duluth and later received his master's degree in mathematics from San Diego State University.

He began a real estate investment business in California while working in research at the General Electric Tempo division, where he created the first operating optical character recognition program. The program automatically read the handwritten amounts on bank checks and magnetically printed those amounts in the checks' margins. He completed his doctoral coursework in 1971 at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and received his Ph.D. in history from Atlantic International University in 2003 after completing his dissertation, "Biblical Historicity."

Dr. Karpeles and his wife, Marsha, who serves as executive director of the Karpeles museums, have four children—Mark, Leslie, Cheryl, and Jason—and 10 grandchildren.

## PRESIDENT'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



### Linda A. Dobmeier, Class of 1971

Linda Dobmeier exemplifies professional accomplishment, community service, and support for Buffalo State College. After earning a B.S. in elementary education at Buffalo State, Miss Dobmeier spent 11 years teaching second grade at the William Kaegebein School on Grand Island. She continued her education during that time, and received a master's in education from the University at Buffalo and a master's in business administration from Canisius College.

In 1982, she left her teaching duties to assist in managing her family-owned business, Dobmeier Janitor Supply Inc. The locally owned company employs more than 40 people. Miss Dobmeier has worked to build the company while maintaining its high standards for quality, integrity, and customer service. Miss Dobmeier joined the Buffalo State College Foundation Board of Directors, where she has served as a member of the board, a member of the Executive Committee, and chair of the Nominating Committee. She was elected chair of the foundation in 2007. Under her leadership, the foundation raised a record \$8 million in fiscal year 2007–2008. During the economic downturn in 2008, the foundation was able to maintain all student scholarships and to take a lead role in the new student

housing project. Her leadership and stability have been vital in the foundation's support of the college during its recent presidential transition.

In addition to being an ardent and enthusiastic ambassador for the college, Miss Dobmeier is a persuasive advocate for the All College Honors Program and the Burchfield Penney Art Center at Buffalo State, which she has served as a member of its Board of Trustees. Miss Dobmeier is a member of the Peterson Society, the college's honor society for supporters who have made a planned gift to Buffalo State. In addition to her many other roles on campus, she has actively supported the Foundation Scholarship Galas for 2007 through 2011, and she has served as chair of the foundation's annual Golf and Tennis Scholarship Classic.

Miss Dobmeier has been active in the community as a member of a number of boards over the years, including the Roswell Park Cancer Institute Board of Directors, the Canisius College Board of Trustees, the Amherst Police Foundation Board, the Niagara Lutheran Health Foundation Board of Trustees, and the Brothers of Mercy Campus Foundation.

Miss Dobmeier and Dobmeier Janitor Supply have been generous and consistent financial contributors to Buffalo State College and the Burchfield Penney Art Center for many years.

## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD



### **Thomas K. Lytle, Class of 1982**

Thomas Lytle has distinguished himself as a leader in the music industry for more than two decades. He is the former vice president of promotions at the influential Island Def Jam Music Group in New York City, where he worked from 1990 until his retirement in 2011. Mr. Lytle was responsible for strategic planning; managing artists' exposure through radio, television, new media, and retail sales; and promoting albums and tours. His life's work has contributed to the growth and popularity of hip-hop culture around the globe.

With an astute understanding of the marketplace and consumer preferences, Mr. Lytle has helped propel the careers of such chart-topping artists as Jay-Z, Mariah Carey, Kanye West, Ne-Yo, Ludacris, LL Cool J, Rihanna, Rick Ross, and Young Jeezy. He is recognized for his ability to promote both new artists and established recording stars.

He was recently named senior vice president of 5LINX, a rapidly growing telecommunications company based in Rochester, New York.

A native of Brooklyn, Mr. Lytle attended the High School of Performing Arts in New York City, which was later immortalized as the setting for the movie *Fame*. He earned his bachelor of arts degree in broadcasting at Buffalo State, where he also joined the Omega Psi Phi fraternity. In July 2011, during Omega Psi Phi's centennial celebration in Washington, D.C.,

Mr. Lytle received the prestigious Century Award of Excellence, placing him alongside other such notable Omega Psi Phi alums as actor Bill Cosby, basketball star Michael Jordan, NASA chief Frank Bolden, actor and comedian Steve Harvey, and the father of pop singer Beyoncé, Matthew Knowles.

After graduating from Buffalo State, Mr. Lytle worked as a disc jockey for college radio shows and parties while securing a postgraduate degree in electronics from Announcer Training Studios in New York City. His skill and reputation landed him a series of positions in Virginia over the next six years, as an AM gospel radio station announcer and engineer, a television station broadcast engineer, and an FM radio station program director.

In 1990, Tracy Hamlin, then a regional manager for Def Jam Recordings, resigned her position to become a singer with the jazz band Pieces of a Dream. She recommended Mr. Lytle as her replacement, and he joined the company until his retirement. Def Jam Recordings merged with Island Records in 1999.

Mr. Lytle was named Music Industry Executive of the Year by the Street Information Network in 2008 and was recognized in 2009 by *Cambridge Who's Who Among Executives, Professionals, and Entrepreneurs* for his dedication, leadership, and excellence in all aspects of music production.

The Buffalo State Alumni Association was proud to host Mr. Lytle on campus in fall 2010 as a panelist in a discussion with students about dynamic career experiences.

## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD



### **Crystal Davis Peoples-Stokes, Class of 1974 and 2002**

As a New York State assemblywoman, Crystal Davis Peoples-Stokes represents the 141st District, which includes part of the city of Buffalo in Erie County. In this role, Ms. Peoples-Stokes serves as chair of the subcommittee on Oversight of Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprises and as a member of the committees on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Environmental Conservation, Governmental Operations, Health, Higher Education, and Insurance. She also serves on the New York State Legislative Women's Caucus; the Black, Puerto Rican, and Asian Legislative Caucus; the Eleanor Roosevelt Legacy Committee's Board of Directors; and the New York State Commission on Higher Education.

In April 2011, she introduced a bill to establish a rational tuition policy for SUNY that would allow for increases not to exceed 5.5 percent annually and to be used solely by SUNY, not for other state budgetary items. Governor Andrew M. Cuomo signed the legislation in August.

Before her election to the Assembly, Ms. Peoples-Stokes worked as an educator, a Congressional Budget Office administrator, and a community organizer. She also represented Erie County's 7th District as a county legislator from 1993 to 2002. For five of those years, she served as majority leader and chair of the Finance, Management, and Budget Committee.

Ms. Peoples-Stokes sponsored public education campaigns addressing social ills, housing, and economic development, and she played an integral role in the intergovernmental economic development collaboration that brought a fresh meat and produce market to an area sorely lacking in such businesses.

As a staunch believer in the necessity of quality primary health care, she fought for Health Care Efficiency and Affordability Law (HEAL)-NY funding to support the building of a new home for the Community Health Center of Buffalo and a new dental clinic at Sheehan Health Network. She also played an integral role in securing another HEAL-NY grant that will be used to support the launch of the University at Buffalo's Institute for Healthcare Informatics, in association with Sheehan Health Network, Erie County Medical Center, and other local health-care systems.

Ms. Peoples-Stokes earned her bachelor of science degree in elementary education in 1974 and her master's degree in student personnel administration in 2002 from Buffalo State. Since graduating, she has been named to the advisory board of the Buffalo State Criminal Justice Department and she served as a keynote speaker for the 2003 Educational Opportunity Program's Honors Convocation.

## YOUNG ALUMNUS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



### Thomas M. Tran, Class of 2004

Thomas “Thom” Tran, an internationally touring stand-up comedian, writer, producer, and actor, lives in Los Angeles, California, where he writes and performs weekly at clubs such as the world-famous Laugh Factory, the Hollywood Improv, and the Comedy Store.

Mr. Tran, who hails from Cheektowaga, New York, and worked for a decade in broadcast radio in New York before heading to Los Angeles in 2008, has appeared on television shows such as *CSI: NY* and *Deadliest Warrior*, as well as in many TV commercials. Soon after moving to L.A., he landed a role in the Disney movie *Race to Witch Mountain*. He also has had the unusual opportunity of serving as a model for opposing forces in the popular video game *Call of Duty: Black Ops*.

Before his career in entertainment, Mr. Tran served for eight years in the U.S. Army. He was medically retired as a staff sergeant in 2005, when he was wounded in combat during a yearlong tour in Iraq. He said comedy helped him deal with

post-combat trauma and post-traumatic stress disorder. Mr. Tran parlayed his military experience into Hollywood projects, such as working as a military consultant and staff writer for Dagger Media Group, a veteran-owned and staffed company that works to make movie portrayals of the military more accurate and realistic. He also has starred in a series of training videos produced for the U.S. Air Force. One of his latest projects, the *GIs of Comedy*, a stand-up show starring him and three fellow veteran-comedians, has garnered national attention from CNN, CBS, Fox, and the Associated Press.

As a civilian, Mr. Tran continues to help U.S. servicemen and women by performing at benefits to raise money for the Bob Hope USO at LAX, which provides comfort for troops deploying overseas. Twice he was named USO’s funniest service member. In 2008, Mr. Tran traveled to Iraq to perform for U.S. troops, playing at more than two dozen bases and combat outposts.

Mr. Tran graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in broadcasting from Buffalo State in 2004.

## PRESIDENT’S MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SUNY CHANCELLOR’S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ADDRESS



### Gabriela Moreno

Gabriela Moreno graduates today with a bachelor of arts degree in arts and letters (focusing on French language and theater) and a minor in anthropology. She fulfilled her graduation requirements within two and a half years while attaining a 3.8 GPA. Her passion, intelligence, and genuine concern for others earned her the praise of professors, peers, and community members alike.

Ms. Moreno came to Buffalo State from Veracruz, Mexico, where she had proved herself an outstanding high school student, poetry reciter, and distinguished dancer of Mexican folkloric dance. After overcoming some language and cultural barriers, she quickly demonstrated her abilities at Buffalo State. One faculty member described her as “the walking definition of ‘academic excellence.’” Ms. Moreno was never satisfied with simply knowing the correct answer; she considered each new answer as the next step in her search for more questions. Because of her exemplary academic record, she was invited to join the Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society and to attend Honors Convocation.

During her time at Buffalo State, Ms. Moreno also explored diverse artistic pursuits—serving as the audience services manager for Casting Hall Productions, producing original presentations for the Anne Frank Project, and earning roles in campus productions, such as Cassius in *Julius Caesar*. She was praised for her professionalism, integrity, and willingness to sacrifice any personal agenda for an entire production’s benefit.

She participated in two programs that allowed her to expand her study of French: the summer French language program in Trois-Pistoles, Quebec, and the creative writing program in Hyères, France.

In the community, Ms. Moreno discovered an affinity for teaching. She served as a staff leader and program director for the summer youth theater program in the Merge theater workshop in Cheektowaga. Concerned Ecumenical Ministry also hired Ms. Moreno to promote the academic, social, and cultural development of children in its after-school program.

## SUNY CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE



### Devon A. Cozad

Devon Cozad has earned a bachelor of arts degree in English, attaining a GPA of 3.85 while proving herself as a classroom leader with excellent analytical and writing skills.

Ms. Cozad received numerous honors and scholarships, including the English Department's Arthur L. Bradford Scholarship, which recognizes exemplary work in literary analysis. She also received the prestigious Presidential Scholarship, along with the All College Honors Scholarship and the Buffalo Federation of Women's Clubs Scholarship.

In summer 2011, she worked with an English Department faculty member on a research project that examined the commodification of fairy tales and their role in popular culture. In class, she used persuasive arguments in analyzing the literature of Milton, Dostoyevsky, and others.

Outside the classroom, Ms. Cozad helped her peers by serving as a tutor for three years in the English Department's Writing Center. She also took many leadership positions on campus, serving on the All College Honors Council (ACHC), the Alpha Lambda Delta National Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta, and the School of Arts and Humanities Dean's Student Advisory Council. Through the ACHC, she became an ambassador to the Foundation Scholarship Gala.

As a volunteer with the Brighton Place Library and Community Resource Center, she founded and moderated the *39 Clues* Book Club, a literacy group for children in grades three through five.

She also joined with independent artists across the online community of Etsy.com to collect funds for Oxfam America and the National Wildlife Federation, raising almost \$10,000 toward cleanup efforts after the 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.



### Chanele R. Haynes

Chanele Haynes has earned a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice and distinguished herself with her strong work ethic, organizational skills, and initiative on campus research projects and leadership positions.

A Ronald E. McNair's Scholars Program participant and first-generation college student, Ms. Haynes maintained a 3.54 GPA while taking a rigorous course load each semester. She received a grant from the Undergraduate Research Office to fund her research project, "The Effects of Intimate Partner Violence on Young Adults: Grades, Sleep Quality, and Socialization." She presented at the McNair Summer Research Symposium and was one of three students selected to present at the University of Maryland's annual McNair Scholars and Undergraduate Research Conference.

Ms. Haynes was invited to join many notable organizations including the Chi Alpha Epsilon National Honor Society, the

Alpha Phi Sigma National Criminal Justice Honor Society, and the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, the latter of which she served as president.

She served her fellow students as vice president of United Students Government, president of the Resident Hall Association, an orientation leader and mentor with the Educational Opportunity Program, a student ambassador with the Admissions Office, and a member of the Residence Hall Judicial Board.

As an EOP mentor, Ms. Haynes engaged students in the learning process through coaching, tutoring, and serving as a sounding board for personal, social, and academic problems. Outside of campus, Ms. Haynes prepared and served meals with Friends of Night People Inc. and participated in Operation Big Book Bag, which provides educational workshops on effective learning strategies for children in the community and their parents.



### Morgan P. Morningstar

Morgan Morningstar graduates today with a bachelor of science degree in psychology and minors in biology and women and gender studies. A McNair scholar, Ms. Morningstar attained a 4.0 GPA while taking rigorous courses, conducting undergraduate research projects, and serving as a teaching assistant.

As a student, she demonstrated a true thirst for excellence. Her depth of understanding was so great that other students sought her out for both informal and formal tutoring.

Ms. Morningstar came to Buffalo State from Erie Community College, where she was vice president for scholarship for Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges. She received the Chancellor's Award in 2010 as a community college student.

At Buffalo State, she served as vice president of the Psi Chi International Honor Society for psychology students and the Buffalo State College Commuter Council. She also served as a charter member of Young Feminists of Buffalo and served in the Emerging Student Leaders Program. In 2011, the women and gender studies program recognized Ms. Morningstar's superior achievements with the Women's Studies Student Award.

She contributed several poster presentations at Buffalo State's annual Student Research and Creativity Celebration and at the Eastern Psychological Association's annual meeting in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Beyond campus, Ms. Morningstar became engaged in community causes such as the St. Luke's Mission of Mercy Food Drive and the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. She also lobbied in Albany for marriage equality and dignity for all students.

## SUNY CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE



### **Carlos F. Cisneros Vilchis**

Carlos Cisneros Vilchis has earned his bachelor of science degree in business administration with a minor in legal studies while attaining a GPA of 3.92.

A native of Monterrey, Mexico, Mr. Cisneros Vilchis played an integral role in connecting international students at Buffalo State with one another. He implemented a Thanksgiving get-together for international students and scholars and their American host families on campus, and organized a camp weekend at Whispering Pines for large numbers of internationals.

Students chose Mr. Cisneros Vilchis two years in a row as president of the International Student Organization, which aims to increase cultural awareness on campus. He also served as vice president and treasurer to the ISO and was a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Both faculty and community members praised Mr. Cisneros Vilchis for his leadership qualities, his warm personality, his

ability to excel in his academics while also serving in multiple roles, and his exceptional gift for empowering diverse populations of students.

Off campus, Mr. Cisneros Vilchis gave of himself in countless ways. In fall 2011, as a leader in the New York Public Interest Research Group, he prepared programs to raise awareness for students on voting rights, homelessness, and hunger. Additionally, Mr. Cisneros Vilchis was recognized for his work raising funds to help the people of Haiti and Japan following the earthquake in Haiti in 2010 and the tsunami in Japan in 2011.

Additionally, he taught religious education at Prince of Peace Church in Buffalo and served as a junior adviser to a youth group at St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Church on Grand Island.

Mr. Cisneros Vilchis hopes to study law at either Harvard or Yale University.



### **James L. Wangelin**

James Wangelin has earned a bachelor of science degree in business administration with a concentration in marketing. He maintained a 3.23 GPA while competing on Buffalo State's men's cross-country and track and field teams and serving as an Orientation Week leader and residence hall mentor.

Mr. Wangelin grew up in an economically challenged rural town where few students went to four-year colleges after high school. To Mr. Wangelin, a recipient of the Brigette Kallen Scholarship, being successful was not just about attending Buffalo State, but also about becoming a part of the Buffalo State community—by getting involved, helping people, and trying new things.

He made that dream a reality by excelling both in the classroom and on the field. On the cross-country team, Mr. Wangelin earned a top-five spot and was chosen Most Valuable Player for 2009–2010. He served as captain of both the cross-country and track and field teams. He helped Buffalo

State capture its first SUNYAC Championship title in indoor track and field in spring 2011.

Since the end of his freshman year, Mr. Wangelin became involved with Buffalo State's First-Year Orientation, earning a student leadership award at the National Orientation Directors Association Region IX Conference. Mr. Wangelin discovered a way to meet the needs of athletes while also meeting the needs of new students by serving as an athletic orientation leader. He got involved in Residence Life by becoming a first-year mentor in Porter Hall, and he encouraged and guided other students in becoming resident assistants or orientation leaders, or taking on other leadership roles.

In the community, Mr. Wangelin volunteered with the Buffalo City Mission and with terminally ill children at Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo. And he gave back to his high school alma mater, West Valley Central High, by working with its developing track and field players.

**PRESIDENT'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD  
SUNY CHANCELLOR'S AWARD FOR STUDENT EXCELLENCE  
CONFERRING OF THE HONORARY DEGREES**



**Kaitlyn M. Beachner**

Kaitlyn Beachner has earned a master of science in higher education and student affairs administration while serving in numerous leadership positions within the State University of New York system and attaining a GPA of 3.83.

During her time at Buffalo State, Ms. Beachner stayed extremely active in student and university government. From 2011 to 2012, she served as president of the SUNY Student Assembly, marking the first time a Buffalo State student has held this position. In addition, she served as a member of SUNY chancellor Nancy Zimpher's executive cabinet, as a trustee to the SUNY board, and as a trustee to the Higher Education Services Corporation for 2011–2012.

Ms. Beachner also served as the University College representative to the SUNY Student Assembly, a student liaison and committee member of the University Faculty Senate, and a member of the Faculty Council for Community Colleges, all in 2011–2012. Highlights of her work included speaking in Albany and introducing New York governor Andrew Cuomo at his signing of the SUNY 2020 legislation.

She exemplified a collaborative spirit in campus activities, including helping to found Buffalo State's Graduate Student Organization. Ms. Beachner also belonged to the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Society beginning in 2007 and worked as a graduate assistant in the Student Life Office. The Institutional Advancement Office awarded her an internship with the Advancement and Alumni Ambassador Program in May 2011.

She published several articles including "Balancing Social Justice and Campus Safety," presented at the 15th biennial Student Affairs Professional Development Day at Buffalo State, and "The Art of Professionalism," presented at Buffalo State's Emerging Student Leaders Program.

Outside of campus, Ms. Beachner assisted in the coordination of Buffalo News Kids Day, organized a holiday card-making project for young patients at Roswell Park Cancer Institute, and sang the national anthem at the Kicks for Kidneys soccer game in Rochester.

**PRESIDENT'S MEDAL FOR OUTSTANDING GRADUATE STUDENT  
GRADUATE STUDENT ADDRESS**



**Katie M. Sclafani**

Katie Sclafani has earned her master of science in education degree as a literacy specialist. She attained a GPA of 3.91 and earned enthusiastic praise from faculty for her tireless and cheerful attitude, her leadership abilities, and her exemplary lesson plans and scholarly papers. Before beginning the graduate program, Ms. Sclafani also completed her undergraduate study in elementary education and reading at Buffalo State.

One professor was so impressed with Ms. Sclafani's academic achievements and personal demeanor that she tapped her to assist with a new community reading program, the Global Book Hour. This dynamic project connected Elementary Education and Reading Department students with young children and their families in a community partnership with Wegmans. Each week, they focused on a different country by reading aloud to the children and organizing a corresponding activity and related food.

Through this project, Ms. Sclafani became adept at approaching faculty members and parents from multiple ethnic backgrounds while meeting the needs of the students. The experience also catapulted Ms. Sclafani to the national and

international stage, where she presented the project's findings at numerous conferences. She participated in two conferences: "Your Neighborhood Grocery Store: The Role of the Global Book Project in a Non-Traditional Urban Professional Development School Setting" at the Professional Development Schools National Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana, in March 2011, and "It Truly Takes a Village: Developing a Non-Traditional College-Community Partnership to Increase Teacher Candidates' Global Awareness through Children's Literature" at the International Reading Association's annual conference in Orlando, Florida, in May 2011.

Ms. Sclafani also served as a graduate assistant in the Elementary Education and Reading Department and worked as a representative of the Professional Development Schools Consortium, where she coordinated retreats, events, and materials. She further connected Buffalo State to the community by coordinating a College Bound event, promoting college attendance to elementary schoolchildren.

Through all these endeavors, Ms. Sclafani earned a reputation for being exceptionally responsible, skilled, and dedicated to her work.

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Kathryn E. Krull  
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Theodore J. Williams  
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Catherine G. Zuluaga

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Clarixa Davila  
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 \*\* magna cum laude  
 \*\*\* summa cum laude  
 † dual degree

## 2012 BACCALAUREATE AWARDS

### ALL COLLEGE HONORS PROGRAM

Devon A. Cozad  
Paul T. Orange Memorial Award

### ANTHROPOLOGY

Annie E. Connors  
David Vernon Bullough Memorial Award

Erica Hernandez  
Lewis Henry Morgan Award

### ART EDUCATION

Adam M. Kreutinger  
Dean's Award for Excellence

### ARTS AND LETTERS INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAM

Melissa Vargo  
Dean's Award in Arts and Letters

### BIOLOGY

Jaafar A. Hamdan  
Biology Honors Award

Alyssa Koniar  
Outstanding Student in Biotechnology

Orlando I. McEwan  
Biology Honors Award

Michael T. Munella  
Carol Wright Henry Award for Undergraduate  
Achievement in Pre-Medical Studies

### BUSINESS

Darrell S. Corathers  
Outstanding Student in the Business  
Department—Management Concentration

Kimberly Mueses  
Wall Street Journal Award

Carlos F. Cisneros Vilchis  
Outstanding Student in the Business  
Department—International Business  
Concentration

### CHEMISTRY

Chelsea N. Aldridge  
American Chemical Society  
Distinguished Student Award

American Chemical Society Inorganic  
Chemistry Award

Dr. Richard Chrzanowski Analytical Award  
(2011)

Iota Sigma Pi National Honor Society (2011)

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society (2010)

Cassandra R. Bunce  
Iota Sigma Pi National Honor Society

Michael D. Krygier  
Wilson Greatbatch Organic Chemistry  
Award (2011)

Linus Pauling Award

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society  
(2011)

Rebecca Kurot  
Constance Milliner Outstanding Service  
Award

Anita M. McAndrew  
Constance Milliner Outstanding Service  
Award (2011)

Starks Associates Award

Lauren M. McGowan  
Iota Sigma Pi National Honor Society

Nathan B. Paul  
Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society  
(2010)

Fawziyat O. Salawu  
Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society  
(2010)

Andrew J. Schick  
American Chemical Society  
Distinguished Student Award (2011)

American Chemical Society Inorganic  
Chemistry Award (2011)

American Institute Award

Albert A. Himmel Electives Award

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Noel Simmons Memorial Award (2011)

Osaiyekemwen I. Uzamere  
Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Derick A. Welch  
Saul Barron Memorial Award

Chemical Rubber Company Award (2009)

Excellence in Analytical Chemistry Award  
(2011)

Wilson Greatbatch Inorganic/Physical  
Chemistry Award (2011)

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society  
(2010)

Starks Associates Award (2010)

Ashley L. Wojtkowski  
Iota Sigma Pi National Honor Society  
(2011)

Nicholas Jonmaire Forensic Chemistry  
Award

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Edward M. Schulman Award (2011)

### COLLEGIATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ENTRY PROGRAM

Lindsey E. Porter  
Award for Excellence

Gary J. Outin  
Award for Excellence

Latrell Sturdivant  
Award for Excellence

### COMMUNICATION

Angela M. Antonucci  
Outstanding Student in Media Production

Emma K. Doud  
Outstanding Student in Communication  
Studies

William E. Langer  
Dean's Award for Excellence in Communi-  
cation

Kaitlin A. Riznyk  
Outstanding Student in Journalism

Devon A. Slobodzian  
Outstanding Student in Public  
Communication

### COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

David R. Benko  
Excellence in Computer Information  
Systems Award

Paul M. Criswell  
Excellence in Computer Information  
Systems Award

Brittany L. Pierce  
Excellence in Computer Information  
Systems Award

Dennis Piskadlo  
Excellence in Computer Information  
Systems Award

Walter J. Promowicz  
Excellence in Computer Information  
Systems Award

Jared R. Volles  
Excellence in Computer Information  
Systems Award

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Jennifer L. O'Neil  
Donald J. Griffin Memorial Scholarship  
Award

John J. Persichini  
Criminal Justice Faculty Certificate of  
Merit

Rebecca A. Pink  
Looseleaf Law Publications Award

### DESIGN

Kelly L. Caruso  
Dean's Gallery/School of Arts and  
Humanities Creative Associate

Hyatt Design Award for Excellence in  
Metals/Jewelry (2011)

James Lombardo Sr. Award for Excellence  
in the Visual Arts (2011)

Erin Curry  
James Lombardo Sr. Award for Excellence  
in the Visual Arts (2011)

Jennifer H. Dref  
Dean's Gallery/School of Arts and  
Humanities Creative Associate (2011)

Hyatt Design Award for Excellence in  
Fibers (2011)

Stephanie M. Dukat  
James Lombardo Sr. Award for Excellence  
in the Visual Arts (2011)

Rachael L. Fleming  
John J. Jauquet Student Award for Creative  
Excellence in Ceramics (2011)

Sylvia L. Rosen Award for Excellence in  
Ceramics

Tegan E. Ford  
Nancy Belfer Sterling Scholarship Award in  
Fibers (2008–2010)

Dean's Gallery/School of Arts and  
Humanities Creative Associate (2009)

John J. Jauquet Student Award for Creative  
Excellence in Fibers (2009)

Hilary K. Forman  
Dean's Gallery/School of Arts and  
Humanities Creative Associate

John P. Harris II  
Dr. Margaret E. Bacon Best of Studio  
Award in Metals/Jewelry (2011)

Barbara L. Czurles Nelson and Donald J.  
Nelson Scholarship (2011)

Sarah E. McNutt  
Dr. Margaret E. Bacon Best of Studio  
Award in Ceramics (2011)



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Vincent G. Pontillo

Barbara L. Czurlis Nelson and Donald J. Nelson Scholarship (2010)

Dean's Gallery/School of Arts and Humanities Creative Associate (2009)

John J. Jauquet Student Award for Creative Excellence in Metals/Jewelry (2009)

James Lombardo Sr. Award for Excellence in the Visual Arts (2010)

School of Arts and Humanities Deans Award for Excellence in Design

Lena M. Scapillato

Hyatt Design Award for Excellence in Metals/Jewelry (2011)

Daniel L. Tiebor

Earl Wolfgruber Scholarship Award for Excellence in Communication Design (2011)

Arctic R. Verrastro

Dean's Gallery/School of Arts and Humanities Creative Associate (2011)

John J. Jauquet Student Award for Creative Excellence in Metals/Jewelry (2010, 2011)

James Lombardo Sr. Award for Excellence in the Visual Arts (2011)

Molly R. Vigrass

John J. Jauquet Student Award for Creative Excellence in Communication Design (2011)

### DIETETICS AND NUTRITION

Alexander S. Ford

Undergraduate Summer Research Fellowship (2011)

Charles T. Higgins

Alma Roudebush Scholarship (2011)

Lindsay E. Krug

Wegmans Scholarship (2011)

Lindsay K. Johnson

Sarah Manning Scholarship (2009–2012)

Stevie L. Smith

Eunice Frisbee Mason Scholarship (2011)

### ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

Dennis A. Davis

Outstanding Student Award

Brent L. Grimm

Outstanding Student Award

Justin L. Nagy

David Vernon Bullough Memorial Award

### EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

Martha Chery

Buffalo State College Alumni Association Award

Dennis A. Davis

Arthur O. Eve Distinguished Student Achievement Award

Fredia R. Hart

Buffalo State College Alumni Association Award

### ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AND READING

Sarah M. Cumbo

Alice Stielow Wehrung Schmidt, '41, Endowed Scholarship in Elementary Education

Christi L. Horanburg

Norma Munger Sutter Award for Excellence in Student Teaching (2011)

### ENGLISH

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Arthur L. Bradford Scholarship (2010–2011)

Buffalo Federation of Women's Clubs Scholarship

Dean's Award for Excellence

Presidential Scholarship

Anthony M. Harrington

English Department Award for Excellence, Writing

Fredia R. Hart

English Department Award for Excellence, English Education

Isabel C. Ortiz-Garrett

English Department Award for Excellence, English

### EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION

Vinnie D. Bartalone

Gayle Fish, '56, and Donald Schrader Award (2010)

Paul Thoms Council for Exceptional Children Membership Scholarship (2010)

Adrienne Battaglia

Gustave A. and Geraldine F. Werner Undergraduate Award (2011)

Jennifer K. Grant

Paul Thoms Council for Exceptional Children Membership Scholarship (2010)

Kristi L. Guinness

Paul Thoms Council for Exceptional Children Membership Scholarship (2010)

Christi L. Horanburg

Gustave A. and Geraldine F. Werner Undergraduate Award (2010)

Samara F. Howard

Paul Thoms Council for Exceptional Children Membership Scholarship (2010)

Shanice N. Johnson

Paul Thoms Council for Exceptional Children Membership Award (2011)

Latasha M. Smith

Gustave A. and Geraldine F. Werner Undergraduate Award (2011)

### FINE ARTS

Hayley N. Adelson

Marie Dellas Creative Achievement Award

Christina M. Laing

Buffalo Federation of Women's Clubs Scholarship in Memory of Doris Aikman (2010)

James Lombardo Sr. Award in Photography (2010)

### GEOGRAPHY AND PLANNING

Benjamin H. Bissell

School of Natural and Social Sciences Award for Student Excellence (2010)

Katheryne T. Whittemore Award

Aaron D. Boci

David Vernon Bullough Memorial Geography Award

School of Natural and Social Sciences Award for Student Excellence (2010)

Scott Petrus

Western New York American Planning Association

Bernice M. Radle

Katheryne T. Whittemore Award

Alyssa K. Russell

Chair's Discretionary Award

Keenan M. Toohey

National Council for Geographic Education (Geography)

Kevin Ward

National Council for Geographic Education (Planning)

### HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Rachael M. Loranty

Health and Wellness Major's Association Award

Melissa A. MacQueen

Health and Wellness Department Academic Award

### HISTORY AND SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION

James R. Adams

Manny T. Koginos U.S. History Student Awards (2011)

Thomas G. Powell History Award

Nicole M. Correia

G. Allen McFarren Award for Excellence in Student Teaching

Marissa L. Fabrizi

Harold F. Peterson Scholarship (2007–2011)

Alyson K. Franklin

Donald D. and Barbara J. Leopard Memorial Scholarship Fund Award (2011)

Samantha A. Fuszara

Anthony Sokolowski Scholarship Award

Zachary A. Gitlin

Harold F. Peterson Scholarship (2007–2011)

Brian M. Nowak

Kathleen Mallea Award for Excellence in Social Studies Education (2010)

Jessica M. Simon

Kathleen Mallea Award for Excellence in Social Studies Education

Felipe D. Villela

Bernard and Nancy Belfer Scholarship Fund Award (2011)

Donald D. and Barbara J. Leopard Memorial Scholarship Fund Award (2010)

## 2012 BACCALAUREATE AWARDS

### HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM

Jenna L. Aiello  
Pano's Scholarship

Anna L. Baroudi  
Pano's Scholarship  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Allison B. Campbell  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Kyle L. Clark  
Pano's Scholarship

Sara Curcio-Rudy  
Pano's Scholarship

Dan E. Cycon  
Hospitality and Tourism Department  
Scholarship

Nicholas W. Del-Nuovo  
Pano's Scholarship

Megan A. Farnham  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Ashley A. Hoelscher  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Rachel Johnson  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Marjorie S. Miller  
Hospitality and Tourism Department  
Scholarship (2011)

Amanda E. Moehlau  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Brian M. Peck  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Tiona M. Petty  
Pano's Scholarship

Derik M. Porth  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Christina R. Price  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

Cheryl M. Sosa  
Hart Hotel Scholarship

Shannon A. Tegler  
Statler Foundation Scholarship  
(2011–2012)

### INDIVIDUALIZED STUDIES INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAM

Nadeen W. Bawab  
Award for Excellence

Sharese L. Saleh  
Award for Achievement

### INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Nicholas D. Debbins  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2011, 2012)

Mariah L. DeBolt  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List (2011)

Timothy Fargino  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2008, 2010, 2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2010, 2011)

Kimani C. George  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2008–2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2009–2011)

Thomas J. Karanas  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2010, 2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List (2010)

Barbara J. Kiliszek  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2008–2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2009–2011)

Leah L. Knott  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2009–2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2010, 2011)

Ashley M. Mazurkiewicz  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2008, 2010, 2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List (2011)

Shayna McKie  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2011)

Brianna Murphy  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2009–2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2010, 2011)

Paige Ottaviano  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2008–2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2009–2011)

Amanda L. Sauer  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2008–2010)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2009–2011)

Masanga A. Sebuharara  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2008–2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2009–2011)

Karen A. Shaddock  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2009–2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2010, 2011)

Jackson C. Taylor  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team (2010)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List (2010)

James L. Wangelin  
Buffalo State Scholar-Athlete (2010–2012)  
SUNYAC All-Academic Team  
(2008–2011)  
SUNYAC Commissioner's List  
(2009–2011)

### INTERIOR DESIGN

Irina Dyuzheva  
Barbara L. Czurlis Nelson and Donald J.  
Nelson Scholarship (2011)  
25th Brass Ring Awards: Merit Award for  
Residential Design (2011)

Jowita K. Szeliga  
25th Brass Ring Awards: Merit Award for  
Residential Design (2011)

### MODERN AND CLASSICAL LANGUAGES

Adam L. Kibat  
Dean's Award for Excellence in Foreign  
Language

Michellis Rivera  
Ernest S. Falbo Modern Foreign Language  
Prize

### MUSIC

Teresa R. Leone  
Dean's Award for Excellence in Music  
Paul Robert Homer Endowed Music  
Scholarship (2010)

Jennifer M. Schelm  
Lenore Rollett Wright Award for  
Achievement in Music

### PHILOSOPHY AND HUMANITIES

Nadeen W. Bawab  
Victor H. Balowitz Award (2011–2012)

Kelly A. McKeone Daly  
Outstanding Religious Studies Student  
(2011)

Nathan J. Grammer  
Victor H. Balowitz Award (2010–2011)  
Dean's Award for Excellence in Philosophy  
Outstanding Philosophy Student  
(2011–2012)

Matthew R. Guminiak  
Arts and Humanities Sterling Scholarship  
(2010–2011)

Jason D. Offerman  
Victor H. Balowitz Award (2011–2012)

### PHYSICS

Aaron P. Sprow  
Sigma Pi Sigma Physics Honors Society  
James Wells Scholarship

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

Diamond J. Brown  
Raymond P. Stone Memorial Award

Jeffrey E. Brown  
Outstanding Student in Political Science  
Award

## 2012 BACCALAUREATE AWARDS

Jacqueline M. Kocur  
Special Political Science Award

Jesse A. Montes  
David Vernon Bullough Memorial Award

Jillian M. Parker  
Outstanding Student in Political Science Award

### PSYCHOLOGY

James J. Harter  
Dr. Esther McGinnis Award in Psychology

Morgan P. Morningstar  
David Vernon Bullough Outstanding Senior in Psychology Award

### SOCIAL WORK

Benjamin P. Hilligas  
Excellence in Social Work Student Award

Jessica L. Lemay  
Excellence in Social Work Student Award

Celestina M. Pierce  
Excellence in Social Work Student Award  
National Association of Social Workers Western Division Award

Caitlin Walker  
Excellence in Social Work Student Award

### SOCIOLOGY

Kelly A. McKeone Daly  
Alpha Kappa Delta International Honor Society (2011)  
Neumann-Clement Scholarship in Sociology (2011)

Jacob M. Kroll  
Internship Award

Nathan J. Schaum  
Conrad Vogler Promising Sociologist Award (2011)

### SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Taylor A. McCall  
Laura Ann Wells Memorial Scholarship (2011)

### TECHNOLOGY

Anthony T. Bruce  
American Apparel and Footwear Association Scholarship (2011)

William Brzezinski  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Monique L. Cheek  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2011)

Martha Chery  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Dan E. Cyon  
Computer Science Engineering and Mathematics Scholarship (2003)

Annley S. Frank  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2009)

Andrew T. Fromm  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2009)

Ashley E. Grace  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Greigh Gruarin  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Staci M. Hallberg  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Nicholas T. Hereth  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Jill M. Himes  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2009)

Emily T. Kostraba  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2011)

Eric S. La Douce  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Krista M. Leon  
American Apparel and Footwear Association Scholarship (2011)

Joshua L. Lipka  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)  
Glenn O. Sallack Scholarship (2011)

Daniel F. Martino  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Jenna K. Murray  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2009)

Kenneth J. Norwich  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Catherine P. Reade  
Carleton Technologies Inc. Scholarship (2009)

Epsilon Pi Tau (2008)  
Glenn O. Sallack Scholarship (2009)

Richard T. Reuman  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2011)

Gwendolyn A. Smith  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)  
Siemens PLS Scholar Award (2010)

Lauren Szmak  
American Apparel and Footwear Association Scholarship (2010)

Emily C. Tolnay  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2009)

Ciara S. Wilson  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2011)

Rachel R. Wilson  
Carleton Technologies Inc. Scholarship (2011)

Janelle A. Zerkowski  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2009)

### TELEVISION AND FILM ARTS

Joseph J. Wachowski  
Dean's Award for Excellence

### THEATER

Kara L. Ashby  
Dean's Award for Excellence

Daniel K. Beason  
Mina S. Goossen Award for Excellence in Theater

Fred W. Pascolini  
Donald J. Savage Theater Arts Award (2010)

Samantha M. Penziul  
Donald J. Savage Theater Arts Award

Margaret S. Stone  
Michael Dominico Jr. Performing Arts Award

Melissa M. Vargo  
Outstanding Dancer Award

### WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES INTERDISCIPLINARY MINOR

Morgan P. Morningstar  
Women and Gender Studies Graduating Senior Award  
Women and Gender Studies Student Award (2011)

Leticia L. Tellez  
Women and Gender Studies Student Award

### WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

Kara L. Ashby

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Devon A. Cozad

Deeana M. Daigler

Chanele R. Haynes

Meryl L. Hewitt

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Orlando I. McEwan

David R. Morales

Gabriela Moreno

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Jennifer L. O'Neil

Paige Ottaviano

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Lafay K. Sanders

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Cheryl M. Sosa

Latrell D. Sturdivant

Marcela R. Veraldi

Carlos F. Cisneros Vilchis

James L. Wangelin

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## 2012 CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES AND C.A.S.

### MASTER OF ARTS

#### December 2011

Beryl A. Ankrah  
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Sabine C. Fisher  
Tarin E. Foster  
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Sean R. Martin  
Kacey M. Page  
Kayla J. Shypski  
Charles G. Smith III  
Andrew R. Valint  
Lori Ann S. Woods

#### January 2012

Jennifer L. Shoemaker

#### May 2012

Fayez S. Alshahrani  
Kara L. Barrett  
Ryan S. Barrett  
Vincent S. Betts  
Ryan P. Bowers  
Marjorie E. Carignan  
Andrew J. Carrig  
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Christopher R. Coughlin  
Joseph A. Cutre  
Amanda N. Doherty  
Matthew G. Gianni  
Julian R. Harris  
Robert L. Heiss  
Justin T. Howell  
Christopher J. Jarmark  
Patrick M. Jenks  
Rebeka L. Keator  
Blerina Lani  
Katie M. Lanza  
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Joseph B. Noah  
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Clement Nsiah  
Suzanne M. Prabucki  
Jimmy Rosemberg  
Alana H. Ryder  
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William D. Schregel  
Phillip A. Skaggs

Christine M. Smith  
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Christopher A. Wayne  
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Nicole M. Wood  
Yvonne J. Woolwine-Cunningham  
Daphne V. Wyse  
Jessica L. Yerico

#### August 2012

Dina M. Anchin  
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Kimberly J. Crozier  
Gwenanne E. Edwards  
Ancel Raynaud Soh Feussi  
Jenna M. Griffith  
Saori Kawasumi  
Jesse P. Mank  
Christine M. McIntyre  
Christine L. Puza  
Brian J. Schultz  
Rebecca J. Summerour  
Keshia C. Talbert

### MASTER OF SCIENCE

#### December 2011

Howard E. Adamy  
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Marilyn A. Ballard  
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Elaine M. Beaudoin  
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Curtis J. Becker  
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Bonnie A. Doliszny  
Emily N. Ellett  
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Simona-Alina Fegher  
Mariana Fernandez  
Brittany L. Gipple

Mario Giraldo  
Anneke Berumen Gorostiaga  
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John D. Kulak  
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Kelli S. Loveless  
Kayla D. Maryles  
Ryan L. McCabe  
Shimika M. McClam  
Daniel R. McIntosh  
Monique J. McIntosh  
Frederick N. Meyer  
Morgan E. Milovich  
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Eileen C. Murphy  
Kyle P. O'Donnell  
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Alejandra Diaz Flores Ramirez  
Tania G. Quiroz Ramos  
Maria C. Rhone  
Carmen X. Rivera  
Marixsa Sanchez-Feliciano  
Travell T. Scales  
Russell C. Schneck  
Allison B. Schultz  
Annette Schwind  
Adella Semidey  
Margaret A. Smith  
John B. Stolz  
Amy L. Sullivan  
Lauren L. Teather  
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Andrea M. Andrade Vallejo  
Andrew R. Vaughan  
Radisha T. Wright

#### January 2012

Latricia C. Chisholm  
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Meaghan M. Pacer

#### May 2012

Hassan A. Al Abkary  
Ashley S. Allen  
Abdulhalim M. Al Alshaikh  
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Thomas J. Andahl  
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Jessica A. Bakert  
Giulia Bartolozzi  
Kaitlyn M. Beachner  
Stephanie Belhomme  
Julie A. Bojarski  
Tamarisk S. Boucher  
Lindsay E. Brauer  
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Gina Darcin-St. Louis  
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Justine E. David  
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Nicholas Fronczak  
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## 2012 CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES AND C.A.S.

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Courtney O. Keller  
Brendon M. Kelly  
Gary L. Kerns  
Daniel D. Kochmanski  
Maria L. Kolba  
Jesse D. Konstabel  
Christopher F. Laub  
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Laetitia E. Levy  
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Ebony L. Miller  
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Manaliben K. Patel  
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Welma K. Russell  
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Erica L. Swiatek  
Darnisha K. Tarver  
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Victoria J. Wagner  
Candace R. Walczyk  
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Gary H. Wickham  
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Michael N. Yates  
Jaeky Yu  
Jason M. Zika

### August 2012

Erik A. J. Op Ten Berg  
Danielle D. Gates  
Tamela L. Gatewood  
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Tara E. Lynch  
Danielle Matthews  
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Andrew T. Moffett  
Darcie A. Pawlowski  
Jennifer L. Rubino  
Richard Viviano

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

### December 2011

Kari M. Achatz  
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Rachel E. Barnard  
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Laura R. Buccieri  
Michelle L. Burgio  
Shayna L. Burzynski  
Jennifer L. Buser  
Gerriann M. Bush  
Courtney E. Callari  
Amanda L. Candella  
Michele Caronia  
Annmarie D. Casey  
Holly L. Cellino  
Jill A. Cerrato

Kristy L. Chimera  
Rebecca Z. Clark  
Stephanie A. Clark  
Alicia M. Colombo  
Benjamin B. Cooper  
Ashley M. Corliss  
Timothy R. Coughlin  
Cheryl L. Cullinan  
Salvatore A. Curella  
Colleen C. Cwiklinski  
Sara D. Danheiser  
Abby L. Fahey  
David W. Fogelsonger  
Jessica D. Frost  
Stephanie N. Gallson  
Angela M. Geelan  
Jennifer L. Geraci  
Amy M. Guarino  
Amanda E. Guzick  
Loreen A. Hayes  
Margaret R. Helmes  
Katie M. Hockenberry  
Stephen D. Holder  
Ashley C. Howe  
Ashley M. Jakubczak  
Ronald W. Johnson  
Rebecca L. Jones  
Kristen R. Keller  
Joseph R. Kester  
Meaghan G. King  
Brian T. Koscielniak  
Kimberly M. Kouzan  
Kimberly A. Kozlowski  
Jessica M. Krasicki  
Christina M. Kriegbaum  
Jennifer E. Kuenzi  
Jessica L. Kulbago-Onevelo  
Samantha J. Kwan  
Melissa A. Lesinski  
Rachelle L. LeVesque-Pratts  
Matthew D. Levy  
Jennifer L. Licata  
Amanda J. Lindaman  
Jennifer N. Lopez  
Shannon E. Machina  
Kayla M. Maggard  
Brenda E. Marcinkowski  
Lillian L. Matias  
April A. Metz  
Jessica M. Miccichi  
Alexander Miller  
Matthew J. Miller  
Matthew J. Monaco  
Diana L. Moon  
Nicholas R. Napierala  
Enitan M. Okusanya  
Stephen P. Pecori  
Adam M. Pulka

Meghan P. Queeno  
Robin L. Reczek  
Harrison P. Reisweber  
Erin R. Richeal  
Jamie C. Riddoch  
Shana K. Riley  
Nicholas J. Robson  
Gwen E. Saylor  
Meredith A. Schichtel  
Maureen E. Sercu  
Duane K. Setter Jr.  
Christopher C. Shelton  
Nicole J. Shepard  
Rebecca L. Simon  
Melissa A. Smith  
Saralyn R. Smith  
Olabusayo A. Soetan  
Cheri E. Strassner  
Sarah J. Struebing  
Julieann Swann  
Kelly M. Swanson  
Kristy M. Tartaglia  
Brenda S. Teufel  
Sara L. Thomas  
Vonessa L. Toczynski  
Jorge L. Torres  
Robert J. Ulldrich  
Katelyn P. Walker  
Karen T. Wardlaw  
Jaime L. Warren  
Samantha J. Wyant  
Tracey M. Ziemczonek

### May 2012

Candace M. Addison  
Jenny A. Aidala  
Katherine A. Albanese  
Jonathan A. Amidon  
Alicia M. Amoia  
Emily L. Arthur  
Stephanie M. Atzrott  
Fawn L. Barlow  
Joseph P. Baynes  
Nanci Beckley  
Jacqueline E. Berecz  
Amy L. Blake  
Stacey P. Blatt  
Ariele C. Bollinger  
Jodie A. Bonnas  
Amy L. Boutet  
Kelley A. Boyd  
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Gabriele A. Clark  
Melissa A. Clarke  
Colleen G. DeLucia  
Troy P. Diegelman  
Michael A. Dietzen  
Heather L. DiGiacomo  
Jane F. DiVirgilio  
Emily E. Dizer  
Mallory E. Donigan  
Monica R. Dunlevy  
Elizabeth A. Edgeworth  
Rebekah D. Elliott  
Mike J. Fabozzi  
Samuel T. Farber  
Caroline B. Farrell  
Megan M. Farrell  
Rosalia C. Faso  
Jaime A. Fast  
Melody M. Fava  
Luciana M. D. Fire  
Michelle Francisco  
Jeffrey D. Furcron  
Amanda M. Gerwitz  
Erin Goodlander  
Tara M. Grimmer  
Nicole L. Guarino  
Xuan Guo  
Melissa R. Haag  
Madison R. Hailand  
Christine L. Haist  
Courtney B. Hammond  
Bryan T. Hansen  
Edward C. Hanson  
Holly A. Hogg  
Maria K. Horanburg  
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Danielle L. Huber  
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Melissa A. Huffman  
Kelly J. Kilonisky  
Dana E. Kinsley  
Caitlin A. Klauk  
Kelly L. Knickerbocker  
Kristina M. Kozlowski  
Rebecca A. Krebs  
Katrina M. Krull  
Steven Kuehn  
Kate M. Kukulski  
Stephanie R. Kumrow  
Meredith C. Kurtzhalts  
Angela J. LaJoie  
Lynette M. Lange  
Laura G. Lawson  
Daniel S. Lynch  
Michael W. Maerten  
William R. Majuk

Edward A. Manz  
Joel D. Martin  
Jordan D. Martin  
Peter Masak  
Caroline A. Max  
Pamela A. McDermott  
Jeffrey M. McGill  
Stephanie A. McGowan  
Michelle E. McLeod  
Courtne J. McQuade  
Melinda S. Meczynski  
Linda Mejia  
Natalie M. Mendez  
Jamie L. Miller  
Lindsey R. Milliron  
Cheryl A. Mohabir  
Sara M. Montanari  
Tiffany M. Moore  
Jamie M. Morrison  
Emily R. Morrissey  
Lauren M. Mruk  
Aurea M. Negron  
Keith H. Nobles  
Amanda S. Norton  
Cheri A. Nowicki  
William A. O'Flaherty  
Katie F. Orlowski  
Andrew P. Pacifico  
Daniel P. Palumbo  
Dale D. Pearce  
Sonja R. Peterangelo  
Shannon M. Podsadowski  
Beverly J. Prible  
Jill M. Przepasiak  
Gerald A. Pucillo  
Erika M. Ranlett  
William J. Rasi  
Brian C. Rich  
Adam T. Rivers  
Christopher J. Roll  
Jillian A. Roman  
Robyn B. Ruiz  
Heather M. Rydzik  
Daniel R. Schlotterbeck  
Daniel J. Schwagler  
Jenna L. Sheehan  
Milton J. Sheehan  
Laura M. Shriver  
Shawna M. Siejak  
Pamela J. Sivret  
Emerson J. Smith  
Kimberly A. Smith  
Andrew J. Speed  
Sara A. Sperrazza  
Megan M. Starr  
Nicole G. Stutz  
Raymond F. Sullivan  
Natalie R. Sunshine

Sara M. Szczerbinski  
Rebecca N. Tasner  
Jared R. Teal  
Arthur M. Teller Jr.  
Emily J. Thiesen  
Melissa K. Tresley  
Jill J. Turner  
David M. Van Blargan  
Tiffany C. VanDerBeck  
Michael J. Vitrano  
Nancy L. Wagner  
Allen K. Waiters  
Sara K. Walker  
Candace A. Wall  
Lindsay A. Walsh  
Jessica S. Wander  
Jennifer C. Wargin  
Erin M. Weaver  
Casey E. Wehrin  
Barbara R. Wesolowski  
Jessica C. Wild  
Kelly A. Williams  
Shannon M. Wilson  
Darlene R. Winans  
Amanda K. Wittman  
Kelly E. Wrzochul  
Ashley M. Yaiser  
James M. Zacher  
Sarah J. Zenger

### August 2012

Elisa A. Allen  
Courtney R. Braden  
Maria E. Emiliani  
Anthony Figliomeni  
Matthew K. Frank  
Julie B. Hashley  
Amy L. Hessler  
Shelagh M. Huckins  
Sara A. Kennedy  
David A. Lavy  
Tracey M. Lefort  
Christine M. Long  
John W. Miller  
Andrew L. Moran  
Kelsey L. Novits  
Christine D. Proctor  
Melissa A. Ruty  
Courtney C. Ryan  
Katie M. Sclafani  
Ashley M. Simson  
Julie K. Sterner  
Jaime C. Stewart

### MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

#### December 2011

Adam D. Maciejewski

### MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

#### May 2012

Shanae Als  
Riselly Imbert  
Suzeana M. Stewart  
Ronald W. Thomas Jr.

### CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED STUDY

#### December 2011

Lisa R. Blake  
Amber R. Chandler  
David E. Evans  
Brooke S. Harris  
Tammy A. Martin  
Mary B. White

#### May 2012

Amy L. Magney  
Dennis M. Wright

#### August 2012

Dina M. Anchin  
Lauren Calcote  
Kimberly J. Crozier  
Gwenanne E. Edwards  
Saori Kawasumi  
Christine M. McIntyre  
Peter A. Montana  
Christine L. Puza  
Rebecca J. Summerour  
Keshia C. Talbert

List compiled March 7, 2012.

May 2012 graduate listings are anticipated based on successful completion of courses in progress.

August 2012 graduate listings are anticipated based on successful completion of courses in progress and successful completion of degree requirements during summer 2012.

## 2012 GRADUATE AWARDS

### ART CONSERVATION

Dina M. Anchin

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

Samuel H. Kress Fellowship (2011)

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2011)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009, 2010)

Barbara L. Czurlis Nelson and Donald J. Nelson Scholarship and Special Support Award in Art Conservation (2011)

Lauren Calcote

Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2009, 2010, 2011)

Getty Grant Program Fellowship (2010)

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009, 2011)

Saxe Family Art Conservation Fellowship (2010)

Kimberly J. Crozier

Margaret and Charles Balbach Art Conservation Fellowship (2010)

Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2009, 2010, 2011)

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2010)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009, 2011)

Gwenanne E. Edwards

Alumni Student Fellowship (2011)

Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2009, 2010, 2011)

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

Samuel H. Kress Fellowship (2011)

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2010)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009, 2011)

Saori Kawasumi

Alumni Student Fellowship (2011)

Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2009, 2010, 2011)

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2009, 2010, 2011)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009, 2011)

Stockman Family Foundation Fellowship (2011)

Margaret L. Wendt Foundation Fellowship (2011)

Christine M. McIntyre

Alumni Student Fellowship (2011)

Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2009, 2010, 2011)

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2009, 2010, 2011)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009)

Christine L. Puza

Alumni Student Fellowship (2011)

Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2009, 2010, 2011)

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

Samuel H. Kress Fellowship (2011)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009, 2011)

Arthur E. Smith-Hoskins Art Conservation Fellowship (2010)

Stockman Family Foundation Fellowship (2010)

Rebecca J. Summerour

Alumni Student Fellowship (2011)

Margaret and Charles Balbach Art Conservation Fellowship (2010)

Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2009, 2010, 2011)

Getty Grant Program Fellowship (2011)

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

Samuel H. Kress Fellowship (2011)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009)

Arthur E. Smith-Hoskins Art Conservation Fellowship (2010)

Kesha C. Talbert

Alumni Student Fellowship (2011)

Buffalo State College Tuition Grant (2009, 2010, 2011)

Leo and Karen Gutmann Foundation Fellowship (2009)

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship (2011)

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship (2009, 2011)

Arthur E. Smith-Hoskins Art Conservation Fellowship (2010)

Stockman Family Foundation Fellowship (2010)

### BIOLOGY

William D. Marks

Natural and Social Sciences Dean's Summer Research Fellowship (2011)

Rujing Wen

Natural and Social Sciences Dean's Summer Research Fellowship (2011)

Nicole M. Wood

Natural and Social Sciences Dean's Summer Research Fellowship (2011)

### CHEMISTRY

Casey L. Brown

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Laura A. Crandall

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Miranda R. DeGroot

Greatbatch Enterprises Graduate Assistant Award (2011)

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Laura B. Donnelly

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Anthony S. Epps

Buffalo State College Alumni Award (2011)

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society (2011)

Sheila A. Hagerty

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Harvey N. Mosher

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Manaliben K. Patel

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society

Jaquan M. Williams

Phi Lambda Upsilon Honor Society (2011)

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Demetrius D. Brooks

Morgan Graduate Award

## 2012 GRADUATE AWARDS

### EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

Anthony J. Ambrose  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Arielle C. Bollinger  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Kristi M. Briggs  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Jane F. DiVirgilio  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Lynette M. Lange  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Joel D. Martin  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Lauren M. Mruk  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Keith H. Nobles  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Jill M. Przepasniak  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

Jorge L. Torres  
Excellence in Educational Technology  
Graduate Student Award

### ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AND READING

#### Literacy Specialist

Adam D. Maciejewski  
Alpha Upsilon Alpha Action Research Award

### ENGLISH

Joseph B. Noah  
English Department Award for  
Excellence, Master of Arts

### EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION

Jaime A. Fast  
Joseph and Mary Jean Daly Varga '43  
Graduate Scholarship Award (2011)

Kelly M. Swanson  
Dr. Judith Bondurant-Utz Early  
Childhood Award (2011)  
Joseph and Mary Jean Daly Varga '43  
Graduate Scholarship Award (2010)

### GRADUATE SCHOOL

#### Outstanding Master's Project

Joselyne L. Chenane  
Adaptation of African and Non-African  
Refugees to Law Enforcement in Buffalo,  
NY (December 2011)

John H. Song, Professor of Criminal  
Justice, Project Adviser

Luigi Palumbo  
International Fisher Effect: Analysis of  
European Monetary Union (May 2011)

Theodore F. Byrley, Chair and Associate  
Professor of Economics and Finance,  
Project Adviser

Robin L. Reczek  
Qualitative Action Research on Teaching  
Diversity in a Non-Diverse High School  
Setting Using Contemporary Art  
(December 2011)

Shirley Hayes, Chair and Associate  
Professor of Art Education, Project  
Adviser

### Outstanding Master's Thesis

Caitlin M. Hogan-Lazar  
"One-Piece Suit": Gender as a  
Construction in Salman Rushdie's  
Midnight's Children (May 2011)

Barish Ali, Assistant Professor of  
English, Thesis Adviser

Sean M. Piatek  
The Feasibility of Martian Colonization:  
An Input-Output Analysis (May 2011)

Victor Kasper Jr., Associate Professor of  
Economics and Finance, Thesis Adviser

Nicole L. Wagner  
Leonardo's Virgin of the Rocks: The  
History, the Mystery, and the Museums'  
Considerations of the Two Paintings  
(May 2011)

Cynthia A. Conides, Associate Professor of  
History and Social Studies, Thesis Adviser

### HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

Roselyn M. Cabrera  
Commitment to Diversity Award

Kathryn L. DeFilippo  
Outstanding Research Award

Melissa R. Holland  
Outstanding Internship Award

Michael N. Yates  
Outstanding Internship Award

### HISTORY AND SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION

Kayla J. Shypski  
Harold F. Peterson Scholarship  
(2010–2011)

E. O. Smith Jr. Endowed Scholarship  
(2011)

Daphne V. Wyse  
Harold F. Peterson Scholarship  
(2009–2012)

### SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Katherine A. Albanese  
Deborah Moll Richmond Endowed  
Scholarship (2010)

Mallory E. Donigan  
Academic Excellence Award (2011, 2012)

Laura G. Lawson  
Academic Excellence Award  
Clinical Excellence Award

Michael W. Maerten  
Academic Excellence Award (2011, 2012)  
Clinical Excellence Award

Jillian A. Roman  
Academic Excellence Award (2011, 2012)  
Clinical Excellence Award

### TECHNOLOGY

Christopher N. Brown  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Tyrell J. Jenkins  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2010)

Arthur M. Teller Jr.  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2011)

Robert J. Uldrich  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2009)

Michael E. Weaver  
Epsilon Pi Tau (2009)

### WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

Giulia Bartolozzi (2011)

Kaitlyn M. Beachner

Katie M. Sclafani

Juliana Sanchez Trujillo

Rujing Wen

### PAST AWARDS

For a historical listing of State University of New York award recipients, Buffalo State College award recipients, and Buffalo State College Distinguished Alumnus Awards, please visit [www.buffalostate.edu/commencement](http://www.buffalostate.edu/commencement).

All awards listed were granted  
in 2012 unless otherwise stated.



## ACADEMIC TRADITIONS

### 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 the 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 \$2,500 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.

## ACADEMIC TRADITIONS

### 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 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:

agriculture . . . . .	maize
arts, letters, humanities . . . . .	white
business . . . . .	drab
dentistry . . . . .	lilac
economics . . . . .	copper
education . . . . .	light blue
engineering . . . . .	orange
fine arts . . . . .	brown
forestry . . . . .	russet
journalism . . . . .	crimson
law . . . . .	purple
library science . . . . .	lemon
medicine . . . . .	green
music. . . . .	pink
nursing . . . . .	apricot
pharmacy . . . . .	olive green
philosophy . . . . .	dark blue
physical education . . . . .	sage green
public administration . . . . .	peacock blue
public health . . . . .	salmon pink
science . . . . .	golden yellow
social science . . . . .	cream
social work . . . . .	citron
speech . . . . .	silver gray
theology . . . . .	scarlet
veterinary science. . . . .	gray

### ACCREDITATIONS

Buffalo State is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104; (215) 662-5606. The Commission on Higher Education is an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. secretary of education and the Commission on Recognition of Postsecondary Accreditation. Buffalo State also is accredited by the Board of Regents, University of the State of New York. In addition, the following professional organizations have determined that Buffalo State programs meet their accreditation requirements:

*Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)\**

*Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (Weigel Health Center)*

*Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)\*\**

*Accreditation Commission for Programs in Hospitality Administration*

*Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC)*

*American Association of Museums (Burchfield Penney Art Center)*

*Council on Academic Accreditation (American Speech-Language-Hearing Association)*

*Council for Interior Design Accreditation*

*Council on Social Work Education*

*International Association of Counseling Services (Counseling Center)*

*National Association of Industrial Technology (NAIT)*

*National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD)*

*National Association of Schools of Music (NASM)*

*National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST)*

*National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)\*\*\**

\*The coordinated and didactic programs in dietetics at Buffalo State are accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60606-6995, (312) 899-0040 ext. 5400, [www.eatright.org/ACEND](http://www.eatright.org/ACEND).

\*\*Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology, 111 Market Place, Suite 1050, Baltimore, MD 21202, (410) 347-7700.

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## 2012 COMMENCEMENT

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Assistant Dean, International and  
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Associate Professor, Communication

#### School of Education

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cation

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Head Marshal

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Secretary 2  
Commencement Committee Secretary

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Senior Staff Associate  
Commencement Director for Academics

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Buffalo State College Council Student  
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Community Affairs, United Students  
Government

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An electronic version of the Commencement booklet is available at [www.buffalostate.edu/commencement](http://www.buffalostate.edu/commencement).

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