

Senior Awards

CHARLES A. DANA AWARD

The highest honor bestowed upon students in their first year, the Charles A. Dana Award recognizes extraordinary leadership potential, academic excellence, and service to the College community. At the end of their first year, twenty students are distinguished with this honor, based upon nominations from the faculty and students. Dana Scholars hold the honor throughout their college careers:

Julia Miller Bedell
Jared Bok
Leah Hannah Carr
Thomas Pierce Chapman
Rachel Paxton Eades
Robert Sydney Friedlander
Emily Sarah Grady
Nicole Fran Kahn
Emaan Karamatullah
Sartaj Ahmed Khan Mojlish
Ryan Elman Langendorf
Ramona Lapadus
Elizabeth Anne Leberman
Bradley Thomas McGraw
Kathryn Amy Moraros
Matthew Bryant Reynolds
Scott Michael Sinisgalli
Lixin Tang
Kevin Jacob Thorson

THE COLLEGE KEY

Formed in 1992 by merger of the College Club, a men's graduate organization founded in 1891, and the Bates Key, an honorary alumnae organization established in 1936. Members are selected by alumni members of the organization on the basis of academic standing, character, campus and community service, leadership, and future promise. The College Key renders service to current and future students of the College by awarding annual scholarships, endowing two scholarship funds, and providing assistance for special projects of benefit to the College community. Elected to the College Key are:

Mariam Laura Alam
Charlotte Danielle Brill
Rebecca Mary Chacko
Kevin Chambers
Kate Margaret Doria
Vantiel Elizabeth Duncan
Elise Rhianne Edmonson

Nina Therese Emmi
Christine Michelle Grover
Marshall Elijah Hatch Jr.
Jennifer Susan Lee
William Vienne Loopesko
Jean Marie McIntyre
Richard Conrad McNeil
Gina Francesca Petracca
Anthony Andrew Phillips
Emily Baxter Pressman
Molly Emma Radis
Abigail Webb Samuelson
Sarah DeLong Simpkins
Scott Michael Sinisgalli
Kevin Jacob Thorson

THE LELAND AND CLAUDINA BECHTEL AWARD

Awarded annually to the psychology students who have given significant community service to a local nonprofit agency:

Whitney Catherine Harrison
Kate Jesse Riser

THE DRAKE R. BRADLEY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

Established in 2005 by Drake R. Bradley, Professor of Psychology from 1973 to 2003, this award recognizes the graduating senior whose research thesis is deemed to be the most promising by a committee of the faculty. Nominated students must have attained the highest level of excellence in their senior research, resulting in a thesis with a substantial likelihood of being published:

Joshua Abram Linscott

THE DRAKE R. BRADLEY AWARD IN STATISTICS

This award, established by J. Michael Chu '80, honors Drake R. Bradley, who served the College and the Department of Psychology as a faculty member from 1973 to 2003. The award is given to the graduating senior whose thesis or senior project best exemplifies the use of statistical techniques and methodology to address research questions in the student's major, or best illustrates the use of analytical or empirical methods to investigate theoretical issues in applied statistics:

Jenna Lynn Finegold

THE RALPH J. CHANCES ECONOMICS PRIZE

Awarded annually to an outstanding senior economics major by the faculty in economics, on the basis of high academic achievement and interest in the field of economics. Given in honor of Professor Ralph J. Chances, a member of the faculty from 1958 to 1988, by faculty and alumni of the College:

Ramona Lapadus

THE GEOFFREY P. CHARDE ART AWARD

Awarded annually by the art history faculty to the seniors who best exemplify great promise and a continually developing interest in the study of art history. Given by the family and friends of Geoffrey P. Charde, Class of 1988, as a memorial to Geoffrey, an art student who died in 1987 while still an undergraduate at the College:

Emily Kathryn Monty
Andrea Heaton Svigals

COLLEGE KEY MUSIC AWARD

An annual award to the senior men or women whose services to the musical organizations have been most outstanding:

Anna Frances Ekström Chase
Christopher David Ray
Benjamin Keeler Smeltzer
Phoebe Ackart Uricchio

WILLIAM H. DUNHAM SR. LITERARY AWARD

A prize for one or more graduating senior English majors who have displayed excellence in the study of English or American literature, with preference for a student with an interest in and talent for creative writing. Given in honor of William H. Dunham, Class of 1932, member of the Board of Overseers, 1944 to 1967, and Board of Fellows, 1968 to 1979, by his wife, Mary Elizabeth Dunham, their children, Stella D. Lydon, Thomas B. Dunham, Mary Ann Dunham, William H. Dunham Jr., Class of 1963, and their grandchildren:

Sarah DeLong Simpkins

HAROLD NORRIS GOODSPEED JR.,
CLASS OF 1940, AWARD

Presented annually to the male student who, during the academic year, renders the greatest measure of service to the Outing Club and its activities:

William Vienne Loopesko

THE ANDREW HAMILL,
CLASS OF 2005, THESIS PRIZE IN
ANTHROPOLOGY

Awarded annually to one or more graduating seniors who, by vote of the faculty of the Department of Anthropology, have demonstrated exceptional achievement in the senior thesis. Funded by an endowment established by Oliver L. Hamill P'05:

Julia Suzanne Caffrey
Nathalie Cope Woolworth

THE WILLIAM HENRY
HARTSHORN,
CLASS OF 1866, AWARD

To be given annually at Commencement to the member of the senior class who attains the highest average rank in English literature during his or her junior and senior years. In memory of William Henry Hartshorn, for thirty-seven years a member of the faculty:

Vasey Louise Coman
Regina Marie Tavani

THE DALE HATCH AWARD

Given to a senior to honor outstanding leadership in and service to the Robinson Players:

Kathryn Amy Moraros

THE LOUIS JORDAN JR.,
CLASS OF 1949, AWARD

Awarded to the graduating geology major whose senior thesis is judged most outstanding by the chair of the Department of Geology:

Laura Naman Poppick

THE CHRISTOPHER M. LACONI,
CLASS OF 2005, DEBATE AWARD

Given by David and Eileen Laconi in honor of their son, Christopher Laconi '05. This award honors a graduating senior who, through grace, style, and skill, has demonstrated outstanding eloquence in public debate:

Ariela Rachel Silberstein

THE MILTON L. LINDHOLM
SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARDS

Awarded annually to the senior male and female athletes with the highest academic averages. Established by the College Club in honor of Milton L. Lindholm, Class of 1935, Dean of Admissions for thirty-two years:

Rachel Paxton Eades
Robert Sydney Friedlander

THE R. A. F. McDONALD
GRADUATE AWARD

For a worthy senior to be used toward graduate study in the field of education. Given by Mabel C. McDonald in memory of her husband, Robert A. F. McDonald, a member of the faculty from 1915 to 1948:

Christine Elizabeth Zink

THE ROBERT S. MOYER
AWARD FOR PREVENTION OF
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Given by Catherine A. Lee in honor of her husband, Robert S. Moyer, a member of the psychology faculty for thirty-two years, this award supports work by a Bates student related to the prevention of domestic violence:

Phoebe Ackart Uricchio

ROBERT S. MOYER PRIZE
IN EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

Awarded annually to the graduating senior who, by vote of the faculty of the Department of Psychology, has completed the most outstanding experimental psychology project for a senior thesis. Funded by an endowment established by Catherine A. Lee in honor of her husband, a member of the psychology faculty for thirty-two years:

Katherine Downing Reilly

THE ERNEST P. MULLER PRIZE
IN HISTORY

For the graduating history major whose senior thesis is judged most outstanding by vote of the history faculty. The prize is established by history faculty and students in recognition of Professor Ernest P. Muller's thirty-eight years of teaching and service to the Department of History and to the College:

Elizabeth Anne Leberman

THE MYHRMAN / SWETT AWARD

Awarded annually to one or more graduating seniors whose theses in sociology are deemed the most outstanding by vote of the faculty of the Department of Sociology. Established by Richard Swett in honor of his parents, Robert B. Swett, Class of 1933, and Muriel Beckman Swett, Class of 1930; his aunt, Mildred Beckman Myhrman, Class of 1930; and his uncle, Anders Myhrman:

Jared Bok
Rachel Paxton Eades

THE HENRY W. AND RAYMOND S.
OAKES FELLOWSHIP

Awarded to one or more of the best-qualified seniors who at graduation intend to continue their education in the study of law. In addition to demonstrating superior scholarship and an aptitude for success at law school, the recipient should be accomplished in public speaking and/or communication skills. Established by Raymond Sylvester Oakes, Class of 1909, in memory of his father, Henry Walter Oakes, of the Class of 1877, a member of the Board of Overseers for thirty-four years:

Spencer Brook Holland

SCOTT PEURA MEMORIAL PRIZE
IN CHEMISTRY

Awarded annually to a graduating senior working in chemistry who exemplifies the scholar-athlete qualities that Scott Peura, Class of 1990, embodied. The award is made by faculty members in the Department of Chemistry, who give preference to graduating chemistry majors who have, during their years at Bates, balanced academic achievement, thesis research, and participation in varsity athletics:

Ngoc Hong Pham

MARCY PLAVIN DANCE AWARD

Awarded annually to the seniors who have shown exceptional dedication to and passion for dance. Created in 2000 by the alumni of the Bates College Modern Dance Company to honor their friend and mentor, Marcy Plavin, Lecturer Emerita in Dance and founding director of the dance program:

Gina Francesca Petracca
Katherine Downing Reilly
Marlena Ruth Weinberg

**THE WILLIAM HAYES SAWYER JR.,
CLASS OF 1913, AWARD**

An award to a senior woman who has rendered outstanding service to the Outing Club:

JeanMarie Elizabeth Gossard

THE SENSENEY MEMORIAL AWARD

To the student or students who have shown outstanding creative ability and promise in writing and/or the dramatic arts. Created by the friends of William Stewart Senseney, Class of 1949, a member of the Robinson Players:

Caroline Anne-Jacqueline Servat

THE ABIGAIL SMITH AWARD

Awarded in honor of Abigail Smith, dormitory director from 1953 to 1957, to the senior man and the senior woman, not resident coordinators, who have done the most to contribute constructively to dormitory spirit:

Avery Elizabeth Masters
Jeffrey Carlton Roeser

**THE STANGLE AWARD
IN ECONOMICS**

Awarded to the graduating economics major whose senior thesis is judged most outstanding by vote of the faculty in the Department of Economics. This award is funded by an endowment established by Bruce E. Stangle, Class of 1970, and Emily J. Stangle, Class of 1972:

Lixin Tang
Tram Ngoc Bich Nguyen

**THE WILLIAM STRINGFELLOW
AWARD**

In honor of the witness and legacy of William Stringfellow '49, the Office of the Multifaith Chaplain annually recognizes the achievements of a student whose life and work has been dedicated to the promotion of peace and justice. Award winners are distinguished by their courageous and sustained commitment to redressing the systemic, root causes of violence and social injustice and their dedication to engaging and opposing "the powers and principalities" of this world:

Kate Margaret Doria

**THE JOHN TAGLIABUE PRIZE FOR
CREATIVE WRITING**

This prize, named in honor of poet and professor emeritus John Tagliabue, who served the College for more than thirty years, honors excellence in creative writing. First awarded in 2003, the prize is given to a student or students whose work in poetry or prose is judged the most outstanding by faculty in the Department of English:

Rebecca Mary Chacko
Chad Demgen Frisbie

TECHNOS INTERNATIONAL PRIZE

Awarded to a graduating senior who has shown outstanding academic performance and a commitment to the cause of international understanding:

Emily Baxter Pressman

**THE TWENTIETH-ANNIVERSARY
AWARD IN WOMEN AND
GENDER STUDIES**

Awarded annually in recognition of exceptional achievement in women and gender studies, as determined by the faculty Committee on Women and Gender Studies. Established through the generous contributions of Bates graduates and their families, the award honors the twentieth anniversary of the program's founding at the College:

Alicia Ashley Gilman

**PERCY D. WILKINS
MATHEMATICS AWARD**

In honor of Professor Percy D. Wilkins, a member of the Bates faculty from 1927 to 1968. Awarded each year to a senior majoring in mathematics who has achieved the highest rank in studies undertaken in mathematics:

Lixin Tang

**WILLIAMS FAMILY PRIZE
IN POPULATION OR
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

Established by the family, friends, and colleagues of Anne D. Williams, Professor Emerita of Economics, in recognition of her service to the economics department and the College from 1981 to 2008. The prize recognizes a junior or senior for outstanding original research in population or environmental studies:

Carlos Challen Willemsen

**THE ALFRED J. WRIGHT
FOREIGN LANGUAGE AWARD**

Given annually to one or more seniors who have completed outstanding theses in a foreign language, from a fund endowed by Professor Alfred J. Wright, a member of the faculty from 1956 to 1984. The seniors are chosen by a committee of foreign-language faculty:

Julia Suzanne Caffrey

PHI BETA KAPPA

The following seniors have been elected to membership in the Gamma of Maine Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, oldest Greek letter society in the United States, and the organization widely recognized as conferring on the national level the highest undergraduate academic honors:

Julia Miller Bedell
Sara Rebecca Beneman
Maxwell Magnus-Der Berger
Jared Bok
Charlotte Danielle Brill
William James Brunnquell
Julia Suzanne Caffrey
Anne Lewis Carlton
Leah Hannah Carr
Cora Diana Chisholm
Alexandra B. Disney
Rachel Paxton Eades
Jenna Lynn Finegold
Robert Sydney Friedlander
Briana Mary Arete Gerrish
Alicia Ashley Gilman
Lily Horwitz Gordon
Emily Sarah Grady
Whitney Catherine Harrison
Spencer Brook Holland
Zachary Everett Jylkka
Amy Catherine Keneally
Madison Korinne Kilbride
Rebecca Hillary Lange
Ryan Elman Langendorf
Ramona Lapadus
Elizabeth Anne Leberman
Peter Benson Linsley
Matthew George Marienthal
Bradley Thomas McGraw
Jean Marie McIntyre
Caitlin Elizabeth McKittrick
Emily Kathryn Monty
Tram Ngoc Bich Nguyen
Chiara Marta Passerini

Marilla Christine Pender-Cudlip
 Laura Naman Poppick
 Emily Baxter Pressman
 Baijing Qin
 Molly Emma Radis
 Katherine Downing Reilly
 Michael Jeremy Reiss
 Matthew Bryant Reynolds
 David Shalleck-Klein
 Benjamin Andrew Shasha
 Ariela Rachel Silberstein
 Michelle Claire Silverman
 Scott Michael Sinisgalli
 Lana Yalyn Smithner
 Luke Collier Strathmann
 Conor Blair Sullivan
 Lixin Tang
 Regina Marie Tavani
 Kevin Jacob Thorson
 Catherine Ann Wilson
 Nathalie Cope Woolworth

SIGMA XI

In recognition of their independent research accomplishments, the following seniors have been nominated to membership in the Southern Maine Club of Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society, a North American honor society founded in 1886 to reward excellence in scientific research and to encourage interaction among scientists in all fields:

Mariam Laura Alam
 John Thomas Berry
 John Hodgetts Bladon
 Anne Lewis Carlton
 Leah Hannah Carr
 Elizabeth Pearce Casline
 Carlos Francisco Castro
 Mayur Mahesh Contractor
 Elizabeth L. Dengler
 Harita Dharaneeswaran
 Alexandra B. Disney
 Alyeska Untalan Fiorillo
 James Patrick Gardner
 Philip Greengard
 Elyse Victoria Judice
 Lina Kong Win Chang
 Emily Danika Kuehn
 Elise Kathleen Lang
 Rebecca Hillary Lange
 Ryan Elman Langendorf
 Joshua Abram Linscott
 William Vienne Loopesko
 Jean Marie McIntyre
 Jeremy Anderson Muench
 Adam Bradford Nielson

Nola Joy Palombo
 Marilla Christine Pender-Cudlip
 Laura Naman Poppick
 Baijing Qin
 Hannah Jean Roebuck
 Jeffrey Carlton Roeser
 Daniel Oliver Roop
 Lindsey Marie Scherer
 Kurt William Schuler
 Lauren Paige Shapiro
 Lauren Elizabeth Slipp
 Lixin Tang
 Helena Shaelyn Turner
 Carlos Challen Willemsen
 Julia Trainor Wilson
 Alexia Yaya Zhang

BATES SCHOLAR-ATHLETE SOCIETY

The Bates Scholar-Athlete Society honors graduating seniors who have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or have received special nomination from the faculty for outstanding academic achievement in their junior and senior years, and who have participated in a varsity sport for a minimum of three years:

Katherine Allison Bash
 Maxwell Magnus-Der Berger
 Carlos Francisco Castro
 Brandon Stirling Cooper
 Nicolas Gibson DeFrancis
 Molly Clark Dilworth
 Danica Anne Doroski
 Katelyn Elizabeth Drake
 Rachel Paxton Eades
 Robert Sydney Friedlander
 Lily Horwitz Gordon
 James Constantine Grant
 Jean Crocker Gulliver
 Connor Donovan Hogan
 Brittany Jane Johnston
 Glenn Gray Kelly
 Sarah Kristine Kwoh
 Hannah Magee Laverty
 Elizabeth Anne Leberman
 Joshua Abram Linscott
 Peter Hill Litwin
 Alexander Donald MacNaughton
 Kush Mahan
 Avery Elizabeth Masters
 Jean Marie McIntyre
 Ngoc Hong Pham
 Molly Emma Radis
 Sarah Bolan Reingold
 Michael Jeremy Reiss
 Nicholas Charles Sampson

Abigail Webb Samuelson
 Benjamin Keeler Smeltzer
 Griffin Charles Stabler
 Luke Collier Strathmann
 Lindsay Sanders Thomson

DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

Awarded each year to those qualified members of the senior class who undertake and satisfactorily complete a program of independent study within their major program or department:

*Indicates a joint thesis

Mariam Laura Alam
Honors in Interdisciplinary Studies

Brianna Rose Bakow
Honors in Psychology

Julia Miller Bedell
Honors in Religion

Alison Jesse Blanksteen
Honors in Politics

Jared Bok
Honors in Religion

Charlotte Danielle Brill
Honors in Psychology

Natalie Ruth Brown
Honors in Interdisciplinary Studies

William James Brunnuell
Honors in History

Barbara Lee Byers
Honors in Interdisciplinary Studies

Julia Suzanne Caffrey*
Honors in Anthropology
Honors in East Asian Studies

Anne Lewis Carlton
Honors in Biology

Leah Hannah Carr
Honors in Neuroscience

Jessica Marie Carroll
Honors in French

Vasey Louise Coman
Honors in English

Mayur Mahesh Contractor <i>Honors in Neuroscience</i>	Peter Benson Linsley <i>Honors in Religion</i>	Molly Emma Radis <i>Honors in Psychology</i>
Molly Clark Dilworth <i>Honors in American Cultural Studies</i>	William Vienne Loopesko <i>Honors in Geology</i>	Katherine Downing Reilly <i>Honors in Psychology</i>
Rachel Paxton Eades <i>Honors in Sociology</i>	George Alistair MacDonald <i>Honors in Music</i>	Sarina Simon Rosenthal <i>Honors in Politics</i>
Kate Blum Eisenpress <i>Honors in Rhetoric</i>	Abby Ross Mays <i>Honors in Sociology</i>	Zoe Elizabeth Rosenthal <i>Honors in Politics</i>
James Patrick Gardner <i>Honors in Geology</i>	Jean Marie McIntyre* <i>Honors in Mathematics</i> <i>Honors in Physics</i>	Elisabeth Huntington Russell <i>Honors in Spanish</i>
Alicia Ashley Gilman <i>Honors in Women and Gender Studies</i>	Caitlin Elizabeth McKittrick <i>Honors in Anthropology</i>	Matthew Sean Ryan <i>Honors in Music</i>
Eleanor Christie Gourley <i>Honors in Politics</i>	Alberto Sella Means <i>Honors in Politics</i>	Caroline Anne-Jacqueline Servat <i>Honors in Theater</i>
Emily Sarah Grady <i>Honors in Environmental Studies</i>	Alix Elizabeth Melamed <i>Honors in Sociology</i>	David Shalleck-Klein <i>Honors in Politics</i>
Spencer Brook Holland <i>Honors in Politics</i>	Emily Kathryn Monty <i>Honors in Art and Visual Culture</i>	Ariela Rachel Silberstein <i>Honors in History</i>
Alexandra Elizabeth Howard <i>Honors in Rhetoric</i>	William Robert Eberhard Mortimer <i>Honors in Sociology</i>	Michelle Claire Silverman <i>Honors in Psychology</i>
Alexandra Emily Israel <i>Honors in Art and Visual Culture</i>	Alyssa Danielle Pagano <i>Honors in English</i>	Scott Michael Sinisgalli <i>Honors in Interdisciplinary Studies</i>
Mark Haynes Johnston <i>Honors in Rhetoric</i>	Marilla Christine Pender-Cudlip <i>Honors in Chemistry</i>	Lana Yalyn Smithner <i>Honors in Theater</i>
Amanda Marnell Kesselman <i>Honors in English</i>	Gina Francesca Petracca <i>Honors in Psychology</i>	Lixin Tang <i>Honors in Economics</i>
Madison Korinne Kilbride <i>Honors in Philosophy</i>	Ngoc Hong Pham <i>Honors in Biological Chemistry</i>	Lindsay Sanders Thomson <i>Honors in Rhetoric</i>
Margaret Henrietta Koerber <i>Honors in Theater</i>	Anthony Andrew Phillips <i>Honors in African American Studies</i>	Marielle Provost Vigneau-Britt <i>Honors in Theater</i>
Rachel Lillian Laaff <i>Honors in History</i>	Laura Naman Poppick <i>Honors in Geology</i>	Elizabeth Tudor Weidner <i>Honors in Art and Visual Culture</i>
Elizabeth Anne Leberman <i>Honors in History</i>	Evan Charles Procknow <i>Honors in History</i>	Nathalie Cope Woolworth <i>Honors in Anthropology</i>
Joshua Abram Linscott <i>Honors in Biological Chemistry</i>	Baijing Qin* <i>Honors in Biology</i> <i>Honors in Neuroscience</i>	