

2019 End of the Year

Awards  
Reception



College of Liberal Arts

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# COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

## 2019 END OF THE YEAR AWARDS RECEPTION

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THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019

4:00 PM

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA DULUTH

KIRBY BALLROOM

Master of Ceremonies:

Lisa Holman, French Studies and Music '16

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# AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## MICHAEL MUNNELL AWARD

Michael Munnell was the first graduate to major in American Indian Studies at UMD in 1995. In fall 2012, the American Indian Studies Department established this scholarship to honor his legacy. Mike is the drum keeper and lead singer of the MA'IIN'GAN Drum. We see and hear the Drum at dozens of events each year, including UMD's commencement ceremony.

### AWARD RECIPIENT:

### GUNNAR FRAHM

Gunnar, a sophomore, grew up along the beautiful North Shore in Silver Bay, MN, and is double majoring in Biochemistry and American Indian Studies, with a minor in Biology. He is active in the UMD Society of Chemists and Biochemist Club, and enjoys running and reading in his spare time. After graduation, Gunnar plans to attend medical school with the career goal of being a rural, primary care physician.

# ANTHROPOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY & CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT

## ART PULFORD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Mary H. Pulford created this scholarship in memory of her late husband, Art Pulford. Art Pulford's distinguished career of 32 years in criminal justice, corrections, and education was centered on three core attributes: personal integrity, professional ethics, and justice tempered with compassion. This scholarship supports students who are committed to the professionalization of criminal justice agency management and service delivery activities.

### AWARD RECIPIENT:

### CIERA DREY

Ciera, a sophomore from Hutchinson, MN, is majoring in Criminology and Hispanic Studies and minoring in Deaf Studies. She enjoys hiking, painting, and volunteering in her spare time. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in law enforcement and interpreting.

# ANTHROPOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY & CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT

## **JAMES L. OTTO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship was created in memory of James L. Otto who worked for the Duluth Police Department for 27 years. This scholarship is awarded to a student with aspirations for a career in law enforcement.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**ABBY MILLMAN**

Abby is a junior from Duluth, MN, double majoring in Criminology and Sociology. She is actively involved with Mixed Martial Arts and enjoys volunteering at Animal Allies in her spare time. Her dream is to become a Parole Officer and work towards making local communities safer and healthier for people to reside in.

## **JANE MADDY BOOK AWARD**

Jane Maddy was one of the founding members of the Women's Studies program at UMD. She taught Psychology courses that were part of the Women's Studies curriculum, and served on the Women's Studies Advisory Board for many years. This award is given to deserving Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies students in Jane's honor, for her dedication to Women's Studies and feminist scholarship and causes.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**LEXI FINNEGAN**

Lexi, a junior from Prior Lake, MN, is majoring in Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies and International Studies with a minor in Political Science. She is actively involved in Feminist Consciousness United. She has volunteered with Women's Resource and Action Center and Safe Haven. Last summer she spent time at the United Nations Intensive Summer Program in New York. This upcoming summer, she will be interning at Global Rights for Women in Minneapolis. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in a non-profit organization that partners with the United Nations.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**JADE MOORSE**

Jade, a senior from Taunton, MN, is majoring in Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies and Public Health, with a minor in LGBTQ Studies. They are actively involved as an intern with the Women's Resource and Action Center, MPIRG at UMD, and the current co-president of Feminist Conscious United. They enjoy reading in their spare time. After graduation they hope to pursue a Masters of Public Health, focusing on health equity and community health.

# ANTHROPOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY & CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT

## OUTSTANDING STUDENT IN ANTHROPOLOGY AWARD

Given annually to recognize students who have done exemplary work as reflected not only in course grades, but also in the overall quality of contributions within the programs in Anthropology.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**ALEXIS OLSON**

Alexis, a junior from Anoka, MN, is double majoring in English and Anthropology. She is passionate about her majors because they both contribute to understanding human experiences across cultures.

## ROBERT E. FRANZ SCHOLARSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY

Robert E. Franz joined UMD as faculty in 1967 and served in many capacities including faculty member, department head, associate dean of the College of Letters and Sciences, acting dean of CLA, and acting associate vice chancellor of Academic Administration. Bob's family and friends established this scholarship in his memory.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**THOMAS FLORESTANO**

Thomas, from Duluth, MN, is double majoring in Criminology and Sociology, with minors in Film Studies, Psychology, and Hispanic Studies. He has stayed at home and worked to provide for his education and plans to go to graduate school for Biblical counseling.

## WALTER BAEUMLER AWARD IN CRIMINOLOGY

Walter Baeumler (1928-1993) was a Professor of Sociology at UMD for 28 years and helped establish the Holocaust Commemorative Series at UMD, later becoming the Baeumler-Kaplan Holocaust Memorial Lecture Series. This award was created by the department in his honor and is presented each year to an outstanding student in Criminology.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**KATE ROSE**

Kate, a graduating senior from Rochester, MN, is double majoring in Criminology and Psychology. She currently attends school full-time, is a nanny for two kids, and works as a Victim Advocate at the Center Against Sexual and Domestic Abuse.

# ANTHROPOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY & CRIMINOLOGY DEPARTMENT

## WOMEN'S STUDIES LEGACY AWARD

This scholarship was established by UMD grad Carrie Sutherland. The area of women's studies has made a lasting impact on her life and she hopes this scholarship will assist students in achieving their own successes.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**HANNAH SCHLOTTHAUER**

Hannah, a junior from Rochester, MN, is majoring in Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies (WGSS) and English with a minor in Political Science. She is actively involved with Concert Chorale and Knit Wits at UMD and enjoys reading in her spare time. After graduation, she hopes to go on to graduate school to obtain her Ph.D. in WGSS and/or English.

# COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT

## FLINT GROUP SCHOLARSHIP

The Flint Group made this gift in recognition of the quality education that UMD offers students. This scholarship is intended to help students pursue their dreams of higher education. These students use their knowledge in incredible ways and the Flint Group is proud to have hired several graduates throughout the years. It is the agency's hope to continue this tradition.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**JENNA GREENWALD**

Jenna, a senior from Bloomington, MN, is majoring in Communication and minoring in Marketing and Psychology. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in the marketing field. In her free time she enjoys spending time with her family and exploring Duluth.

## FOX FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

Greg and Sheila Fox, both 1971 UMD grads, believe that without UMD, going to college would have been very difficult. Both worked while going to school and were active in campus activities including debate. Sheila was a Head Start Teacher with the Duluth Public Schools and Greg spent his career at UMD. They have seen the impact that access to a quality education can have on individuals and communities.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**JENNA GREENWALD**

See bio above

# COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT

## **GUSTAF AND MARY NORDIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Gustaf Nordin was a reporter, editor, and columnist for the Duluth News Tribune, beginning in the Superior Bureau in 1929. He served as a political columnist and correspondent from Washington D.C. for the Duluth News Tribune and other newspapers in Minnesota and the Dakotas. He also produced a weekly radio show, which aired in Minneapolis and Duluth. He became managing editor of the Duluth News Tribune in 1950. Later, he was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize in 1970.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **RACHEL WACHTLER**

Rachel, a junior from River Falls, WI, is studying Journalism and Environment and Sustainability. She plans to use her journalism and environmental skills to write about pressing environmental issues. She enjoys being outside and spending her summers in Duluth hunting for agates and lake glass on Lake Superior's shores.

## **JOHN NESS MEMORIAL AWARD**

John Ness was a beloved member of the Communication faculty for 23 years. Each spring the award is given to the senior graduating in Communication who has demonstrated both outstanding academic achievement and distinguished service to the University.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **LEE CYGAN**

Lee, a junior from Minneapolis, MN, is majoring in Communication with minors in LGBTQ Studies, English, and Philosophy. They cultivate their passion for research and writing through making connections between their areas of study. In their free time they love making art, reading science fiction, and playing board games with their roommates. Following graduation, they plan to attend graduate school in a program where they can explore their multidisciplinary interests in critical theory, cultural studies, and literature.

# COMMUNICATION DEPARTMENT

## LARRY OAKES JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established to honor the life and memory of Lawrence Victor Oakes III. He was a peerless journalist and professor, an adept handyman, a non-judgmental and remarkable listener, and an uncompromising champion of the human spirit. The Larry Oakes Journalism Scholarship provides an award to a student pursuing an internship at a newspaper in the state of Minnesota.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **BRIANNA TAGGART**

Brianna, a junior from Wadena, MN, is double majoring in Journalism and Communication with a minor in Digital Writing, Literature and Design. She is an editor for The Bark and enjoys hiking in her spare time. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in journalism by working for an outdoor and adventure magazine.

## STEVEN R. FOX JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIP

Steven R. Fox, a 1974 UMD graduate and recipient of the 1997 Distinguished Alumni Award, has spent more than 30 years in the journalism profession. He established this scholarship in 2006 to assist and encourage undergraduate journalism students from Minnesota attending UMD.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **ABIGAE SMITH**

Abigael, a sophomore from Hilton Head Island, SC, is majoring in Journalism with a minor in Digital Writing, Literature and Design. She is actively involved with the Minnesota Public Interest Research Group (MPIRG) here at UMD and enjoys telling people's stories through her writing, discovering new places in Duluth and hiking in her spare time. She plans to pursue a career in journalism and will go on to graduate school in 2021.

## VIRGINIA T. KATZ SCHOLARSHIP

The Virginia T. Katz Scholarship is given in honor of our friend and colleague, Ginny Katz, who retired from UMD in 2003. This award honors a junior who best combines solid academic performance with both a broad commitment to service and strong interpersonal skills.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **LEE CYGAN**

See bio on previous page.

# ENGLISH, LINGUISTICS, AND WRITING STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## **ANN H. AND ALFRED HARTLEY SCHOLARSHIP**

Alfred Hartley established this scholarship in honor of his wife, Ann, and her lifelong interest in English language and literature. The scholarship supports UMD students majoring in English who have a demonstrated interest in language and literature.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **HANNAH TIFFANY**

Hannah, a junior from Spearfish, SD, is double majoring in English and Teaching Communication Arts and Literature. She enjoys all types of literature, music, hiking, and spending time with her family. Upon graduation she plans on teaching high school English while pursuing her Master's Degree, and eventually hopes to earn a Doctorate in English.

## **ANNA LEE (STENSLAND) AND MYRON LIDBERG SCHOLARSHIP**

The family of Anna Lee (Stensland) Lidberg created this scholarship in honor of Professor Stensland's devotion to students and education. This scholarship is awarded to aid a student while student teaching.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **ASHLEY HOWDEN**

Ashley, a senior from Cannon Falls, MN, is double majoring in English and Teaching Communication Arts and Literature. She is an active reader and a writer of poetry who hopes to instill her future students with a love of literature and motivation to be lifelong learners. Following graduation, she plans to teach secondary English.

## **JOHN AND RUTH REED SCHOLARSHIP**

John Reed, UMD class of 1959, English Professor at Wayne State, created this scholarship in honor of himself and his late wife, Ruth, a graduate of Hope College. The scholarship is awarded to a student studying English.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **ALLISON WALZ**

Allyson, a sophomore from Sauk Rapids, MN, is double majoring in English and Hispanic Studies with a minor in History. She is actively involved in Boxing, Spanish, and History clubs and volunteers twice a week at the Benedictine Center where she plays various instruments and sings with the residents. After graduation, Allyson plans to obtain her Master's degree and pursue a career where she can put her language skills to use helping others.

# ENGLISH, LINGUISTICS, AND WRITING STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## JOSEPH E. DUNCAN SCHOLARSHIP

Established by a bequest in the will of Professor Joe Duncan and supplemented with gifts from his family and friends, the Joseph Duncan Scholarship is awarded to an English major who has demonstrated outstanding scholastic capability and professional promise.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** MADISEN SCHMITZ

Madisen, a sophomore from Dilworth, MN, is majoring in English with a minor in LGBTQ Studies. She enjoys playing piano and working with kids in her spare time. After graduation she plan to go on to graduate school in English.

## KEN AND DIANA RISDON SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to undergraduate students majoring in Professional or Technical Writing Studies and/or Linguistics who demonstrate interest in technology and writing and/or linguistics. The original fund, established by Dr. Kenneth Risdon in memory of his late wife Diana, supports the growing need to teach the technology of writing.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** JAKE FENNEWALD

Jake, a junior from Lakeville, MN, is majoring in Linguistics, with minors in Hispanic Studies and Philosophy. In his free time, he enjoys listening to and creating music, as well as reading. He hopes to put all aspects of his education into use by following a career in Translation or Computational Linguistics

## KLAUS P. JANKOFSKY ESSAY PRIZE

The Klaus P. Jankofsky Essay Prize is awarded to the top student essay on any topic in Medieval and/or Renaissance Studies.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** KRISTINE KOYAMA

Kristine, a graduate student from Duluth, MN, is completing her English MA at UMD in Spring 2019, and will begin doctoral study at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, in Fall 2019, with an interest in Victorian literature. Her winning essay was titled "Brooker's Metafictional Region of Unlikeness: An Allegorical Exploration of Dante's Infernal Tropes in Black Mirror's 'White Bear.'"

# ENGLISH, LINGUISTICS, AND WRITING STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## LAWRENCE WRIGHT ESSAY PRIZE

The Wright prize was established in 1974 by Edwina Wright, in memory of her late husband, D. Lawrence Wright (1900-1978), who was a member of the UMD English Department and a teacher of particular excellence. The prize is awarded annually for the best original or analytical essay submitted on a topic of linguistics, in literature, in rhetoric, or in methods of instruction.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MEGAN LISNER**

Megan, a junior who grew up in a military family, was born in Florida and graduated high school in Minot, ND. She is double majoring in English and Teaching Communication Arts and Literature. Megan plans to become a middle school English teacher following college and to spread her love of literature and writing to her students.

## MICHAEL ROBERT LENZ CREATIVE WRITING SCHOLARSHIP

In honor of former UMD English major Mike Lenz, whose untimely passing occasioned the endowment for this award, this scholarship is awarded to the writer of an exemplary work of imaginative literature.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**LEE CYGAN**

Lee, a junior from Minneapolis, MN, is majoring in Communication with minors in LGBTQ Studies, English, and Philosophy. They cultivate their passion for research and writing through making connections between their areas of study. In their free time they love making art, reading science fiction, and playing board games with their roommates. Following graduation, they plan to attend graduate school in a program where they can explore their multidisciplinary interests in critical theory, cultural studies, and literature.

# ENGLISH, LINGUISTICS, AND WRITING STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## **MICHAEL ROBERT LENZ CREATIVE WRITING PRIZE**

Named in honor of former UMD English major Mike Lenz, this is awarded at the judges' discretion for the best original work of imaginative literature, narrative, dramatic, or lyric, in prose or verse.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MARDI OPHEIM**

Mardi, a junior from Staples, MN, is majoring in English with minors in History and Film Studies. Her future plans include writing more poetry and making a collection of poems for a book. She wants to publish multiple books.

## **SIGMOND AND LENA SLONIM SCHOLARSHIP**

Created by Dr. Ruth Slonim, in memory of her parents, Sigmond and Lena Slonim, this scholarship is awarded to an English major who demonstrates an outstanding scholastic capability, personal effectiveness, and professional promise.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**CLAIRE WEBER**

Claire, a junior from Stillwater, MN, is majoring in English Literature and Language with a minor in Professional Writing. She is actively involved in the University Honors Program, Chi Alpha Campus Ministry, and the Kirby Leadership Program. In her free time, she enjoys writing poetry and baking. After graduation, she plans on pursuing an internship through the campus ministry, followed by completing her Master's Degree in English.

# ENGLISH, LINGUISTICS, AND WRITING STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## WENDELL P. GLICK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Barbara Glick created this scholarship in memory of her husband, Wendell P. Glick, who taught literature in the Department of English at UMD for 33 years. Professor Glick encouraged his students to be thinkers and questioners. This scholarship is intended to support students majoring in English, especially those who demonstrate a strong interest in 19th Century American Literature.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**AMANDA QUEISER**

Amanda, a junior from Dallas, WI, is double majoring in English and Teaching Communication Arts and Literature. She is actively involved in the UMD Swing Dance Club and enjoys hiking around Duluth in her free time. After graduation she plans to pursue a career as a high school English teacher.

## WILLIAM M. CROCKETT SCHOLARSHIP

The William M. Crockett Scholarship in English was established in 2012 by his wife Christine Holmes Crockett to support students with financial need in the Department of English. William Mabon Crockett was a descendant of Davy Crockett. Mr. Crockett was a former chair of the Department of English at UMD, and Mrs. Crockett was a talented musician and organist. They were both long-time residents of Duluth.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MYKALA GRIFFIN**

Mykala, a sophomore from the Brainerd Lakes area, is double majoring in English and Teaching Communicative Arts and Literature. She is currently a Teacher's Aide at University Nursery School and enjoys spending time outdoors with her family and friends. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in teaching and coaching, where she will continue education to become a principal or superintendent.

# GEOGRAPHY AND PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

## PROGRAM IN GEOGRAPHY

### CATHERINE E. COX SCHOLARSHIP IN GEOGRAPHY

The Catherine E. Cox Scholarship in Geography honors Catherine Cox, who received her undergraduate degree in Geography from UMD. The award recognizes students whose academic achievements and future plans embody the goals and mission of the study of Geography at UMD.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**RAYNA CORNING**

Rayna, a senior from Bagley, MN, is a hard working student with a passion for learning. She pushes herself in academia to become better and learn more about the world with the study of Geography. Her goal is for the world views that she gains from her studies will be applied in her jobs in the future, like being an officer in the US Air Force - which is a global job.

### EMMA GOLDMAN SCHOLARSHIP IN GEOGRAPHY

This scholarship recognizes students whose achievements embody the ethics, values, and accomplishments of the famous Lithuanian-born feminism activist and intellectual, Emma Goldman. It honors her legacy by supporting and promoting gender equity, critical thinking, and academic achievement among students not only in the study of Geography, but all across UMD.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**JULES LEABO**

Jules, a junior from Taylors Falls, MN, is double majoring in Cultural Entrepreneurship and Environmental Sustainability with a minor in German Studies. Jules is involved with the Chi Alpha church group, MPIRG, the UMD Tennis Club, and the Environmental Sustainability Coalition. She is working on a project to decrease plastic bag use on campus. Her dream is to obtain a job in global development and work on building environmental sustainability with disadvantaged communities.

# GEOGRAPHY AND PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

## FREDERICK AND LOIS WITZIG GEOGRAPHY SCHOLARSHIP

The Frederick and Lois Witzig Geography Scholarship was created by the family of Fred and Lois Witzig. Frederick joined the UMD Geography Department in 1953 and continued teaching until 1990. This scholarship is based on scholastic merit and is awarded to students entering their junior or senior year at UMD.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**JULES LEABO**

Jules, a junior from Taylors Falls, MN, is double majoring in Cultural Entrepreneurship and Environmental Sustainability with a minor in German Studies. Jules is involved with the Chi Alpha church group, MPIRG, the UMD Tennis Club, and the Environmental Sustainability Coalition. She is working on a project to decrease plastic bag use on campus. Her dream is to obtain a job in global development and work on building environmental sustainability with disadvantaged communities.

## MATTI E. KAUPS GEOGRAPHY SCHOLARSHIP

The Matti E. Kaups Geography Scholarship was established in memory of Matti Kaups, Professor Emeritus, who taught in the Geography Department at UMD for 32 years. This scholarship is awarded to an outstanding student majoring in Geography and interested in pursuing a graduate degree.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**RAYNA CORNING**

Rayna, a senior from Bagley, MN, is a hard working student with a passion for learning. She pushes herself in academia to become better and learn more about the world with the study of Geography. Her goal is for the world views that she gains from her studies will be applied in her jobs in the future, like being an officer in the US Air Force - which is a global job.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**JULES LEABO**

See bio above.



# HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## PROGRAM IN HISTORY

### BATHORY LANE SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 2006, by Susan Bathory (History '75) and Donald Lane, this scholarship recognizes the achievements of a UMD student majoring in History. Ms. Bathory credits the scholarship she received as a student with giving her the opportunity to study at UMD and she hopes that this scholarship will make a difference for another student.

#### AWARD RECIPIENT:

ANDRES PEÑA

Andres, a sophomore from New Richmond, MN, is majoring in History with minors in Philosophy and German Studies. He enjoys reading and hiking around the many state parks when not busy with academics. He has known he wanted to do something with History since he was a middle school student. After graduation he plans to go on to graduate school to obtain an advanced degree in History or Theology.

### BETH A. KWAPICK MEMORIAL AWARD

Established in memory of Beth A. Kwapick who spent 32 years at UMD, where she worked in the History Department, CLA Dean's Office, and the Sociology-Anthropology Department as an office administrator. She touched many lives at UMD and enjoyed working with the diverse students, staff, and faculty.

#### AWARD RECIPIENT:

XAVIER CUMMINGS

Xavier, a sophomore from Hayward, WI, is double majoring in History and Economics. He enjoys reading and the outdoors in his spare time. After graduation he plans to pursue a career in either the history or economics field that will allow him to travel.

#### AWARD RECIPIENT:

WESLEY SISSON

Wesley, a sophomore, is triple majoring in History, Political Science and Environmental Sustainability. He is also a part of the Museum Studies program. Wesley is an officer for the UMD History Club, a member of University Singers, Chamber choir, and a board member for the Minnesota Public Interest Research Group. In his spare time, you can find him singing with the DSSO or conducting community activism. After graduation, he plans to attend graduate school for history and foreign policy so he can one day be a professor like all of the great faculty he has met here that set him on that path.

# HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## MAUDE LINDQUIST SCHOLARSHIP

Professor Maude Lindquist was a long time member and chair of the History Department. The scholarship, established in her honor, is given to an outstanding History major.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MICHAEL HUGUNIN**

Michael, a sophomore from Duluth, MN, is majoring in History with a minor in German Studies. Michael has been lucky enough to do independent research with two professors in the program, and their guidance has been instrumental in his growth as a student and as an historian. After graduation, he plans to pursue a Ph.D. in History, and hopes to eventually work as a professor.

## WASHBURN MEMORIAL AWARD

The Washburn Memorial Award is given annually to outstanding History majors. It is named in honor of J. L. Washburn, a prominent Duluth attorney, who was the resident director of the previous Duluth Teachers College, which is now UMD. He also served on the board governing Minnesota's State Teachers Colleges and was an advocate for higher education.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**BRODY GORDON**

Brody, a junior from Superior, WI, is majoring in History and Biology with a minor in Psychology. He is actively involved with intramural sports, UMD Mortar Board, and UMD Pre-Med Club and enjoys reading and golfing in his spare time. After graduation he hopes to pursue a career in emergency medicine.

# HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## PROGRAM IN POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

### ALTA MARIE OBEN SCHOLARSHIP

Alta Marie Oben graduated from UMD in 1969 with a degree in Political Science. She established this scholarship to acknowledge and encourage female students to pursue careers that they may not have originally considered.

#### AWARD RECIPIENT:

LEXI FINNEGAN

Lexi, a junior from Prior Lake, MN, is double majoring in Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies and International Studies with a minor in Political Science. She strives to be an activist within her community and on an international platform. With the support of her family and faculty members, she has achieved Dean's list for Academic Excellence five out of five semesters, with an overall GPA of 3.7.

### CAROL AND MICHAEL S. BERMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Michael Berman graduated from UMD in 1961 with a degree in Political Science, and went on to pursue a life of service. The Berman Scholarship was established to honor and support Political Science students who demonstrate high academic achievement and who set an example for others through his or her demonstrated campus leadership.

#### AWARD RECIPIENT:

KATHERINE PETERSON

Katherine, a senior from Duluth, MN, is a Political Science major with minors in French Studies and Journalism. She is interested in American politics and would like to work for a government agency or pursue a career in student affairs after graduation.

#### AWARD RECIPIENT:

PRESTON WALDVOGEL

Preston, a junior from Circle Pines, MN, is a Political Science major who is particularly interested in public policy. After graduation, he plans to go on to attend graduate school. He would like to work as a policy analyst for the government or work on the policy team of a campaign.

# HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## DIANE AND CALVIN RUDOLPH FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The Rudolph Family Scholarship was established in honor of Diane (Reinke) and Calvin Rudolph of Hermantown, MN. They valued education and hard work and encouraged their children into higher education. This scholarship is awarded to a student who shows promise to succeed in law school.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** TRIZA KWAMBOKA

Triza, a freshman from Minneapolis, MN, is studying Political Science. She is a Freshman Representative to the Black Student Association here on campus. Triza is a proud Kenyan and American, and loves representing both cultures. She is very family oriented and scared of snakes.

## ELEANOR AND GERALD HEANEY SCHOLARSHIP

The Heaney Scholarship celebrates and honors the lives and service of Eleanor and Gerald Heaney. Judge Gerald Heaney devoted his life to public service and was a constant champion of education at UMD. Gerald could not have succeeded without the love and support of his wife Eleanor. This scholarship was established to recruit undergraduate students of merit studying pre-law.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** KENDRA SPARBY

Kendra, a junior from Thief River Falls, MN, is majoring in Political Science. Kendra is currently involved in several clubs on campus and is trying to create a strong groundwork in the area of Political Science both academically and throughout her extracurricular activities.

## FRANCIS H. DE GROAT SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 1949 by Mary Y. de Groat in loving memory of her late husband, Francis, who spent a 45-year career as a lawyer in Duluth, this scholarship is awarded to the graduating Political Science Honors student with the highest GPA in Political Science courses.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** AUDREY BAUMGARTNER

Audrey, a graduating senior from New Brighton, MN, is double majoring in Political Science and Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies with a minor in Communication and will be attending law school in the fall. After law school, she plans to work as a public interest attorney with a focus on civil rights and liberties. Audrey has a passion for public service work and looks forward to being able to use her experiences at UMD to help others in the future.

# HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## GERHARD E. VON GLAHN SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established in 1995 by James Corson in honor of Professor Gerhard E. von Glahn, who taught both at UMD and the Duluth State Teachers College and was the Political Science Chair at UMD for decades, retiring in 1979.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **CALEB CHRISTOPHERSON**

Caleb, a sophomore from Dassel, MN, is majoring in Political Science. He is interested in criminology and criminal justice, and plans on attending law school to focus on criminal law after UMD.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **EMILY HAMILTON**

Emily, a sophomore from Eden Prairie, MN, is double majoring in Political Science and History. She is interested in US political history and law, specifically related to the constitution. In the future, she hopes to work as an activist to help those in need through the legal system.

## JERRY & CAROLYN ZANKO REACHING HIGHER SCHOLARSHIP

Jerry and Carolyn Zanko created this scholarship in honor of their long-time affiliation with UMD. Carolyn (Master of Education '93) has been affiliated with UMD since 1982 and is the retired LSBE Director of Administration. Jerry (Political Science '71) retired as the Director of Employee and Labor Relations from Essentia Health. Both recognize the value and financial burden of a college degree.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **MARIA LANDFRIED**

Maria, a sophomore from Lino Lakes, MN, is double majoring in Political Science and Philosophy. She is currently a member of the Political Science Association, the Pre-Law Club, a student representative of the Parking Board of Appeals, and will soon begin an independent study into an area of law. She plans to attend law school, and eventually become a lawyer to aid those who are less fortunate than herself.

## JULIUS F. WOLFF JR. SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established in 1989 in honor of former UMD Professor Julius Wolff. The Wolff Scholarship is awarded to the Political Science junior with the highest overall GPA.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **KATHERINE PETERSON**

Katherine, a senior from Duluth, MN, is a Political Science major with minors in French Studies and Journalism. She is interested in American politics and would like to work for a government agency or pursue a career in student affairs after graduation.

# HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

## **M. HARRY LEASE JR. SCHOLARSHIP IN POLITICAL SCIENCE**

This scholarship was established in 2001 in memory of M. Harry Lease Jr., an honest and fair man who took pride in his leadership and teaching at UMD. It is awarded to a student majoring in Political Science who shows promise in the field and demonstrates academic achievement.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MARIA LANDFRIED**

See bio on previous page.

## **SALLY B. AND JAMES E. JERNBERG SCHOLARSHIP**

James E. Jernberg established this scholarship in 2007 in honor of his 50-year marriage to his beloved wife Sally, who passed away in 2004. Sally (Home Economics '54) and James (Business Economics '57) met while students at the UMD Old Main Campus. The scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate Political Science student with financial need, demonstrated academic and campus leadership, and an interest in public service.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**HELEN FLOCK**

Helen, a sophomore from Cashton, WI, is majoring in Political Science. When it comes to her work within her major, Helen is very attentive, and organized. She likes to have her week and upcoming homework/reports organized so she can always present a well-rounded assignment. Even with all of her campus involvement, and activities, her homework is always her number one priority.

## **WOLFF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Established by the estate gift of UMD Professor Julius Wolff (1918-2007), a faculty member in the Political Science Department for 37 years. Professor Wolff is remembered fondly by many not only as an influential scholar and teacher, but also as a great story teller, a dedicated scoutmaster and mentor, an avid outdoorsman, and an expert on Lake Superior shipwrecks. It's fitting that his legacy on the UMD campus will be extended in this way, through scholarships for talented students.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**ABIGAIL HEFTER**

Abigail, a sophomore from Two Harbors, MN, is double majoring in Political Science and Anthropology and is working to understand and revolutionize the legal system. In order to understand the legal system, she studies both the system itself and the culture that surrounds it. In order to change that system, she will pursue a Juris Doctor and work tirelessly to help those in need.

# WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES DEPARTMENT

## **A. MARINELLI SCHOLARSHIP IN FRENCH AND SPANISH**

Established in 1986 by Angela and Anne V. Marinelli of Hibbing, MN, the Marinelli Scholarship is awarded to an outstanding student studying French or Spanish.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **MACKENZIE COLLOVA**

Mackenzie, a junior from Maplewood, MN, is double majoring in French Studies and English Literature, Language and Culture and is also a participant of the Business Administration Certificate program. Mackenzie will be studying abroad during Fall 2019 at the University of Montpellier in Montpellier, France. She is a member of the Jujitsu Club and is president of the French Language Connection, which allows college students to teach French at a local elementary school.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **EDISON FOSTER**

Edison, a junior from Northfield, MN, is majoring in Latin American Studies with a minor in International Studies. Edison will be studying abroad during Fall 2019 at the University of Veritas located in San Jose, Costa Rica. He is very excited to begin his study abroad adventure and share his experience with other UMD students when he returns.

## **THE ALAYNE AND CHARLES BERKINS SCHOLARSHIP**

Established in 2007, the Alayne and Charles Berkins Scholarship serves undergraduate students majoring in Spanish, German Studies, and French programs in the Department of World Languages and Cultures. The Berkins' created this scholarship in gratitude for the scholastic opportunities provided by the faculty and support staff at UMD.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **MIKAYLA GUSKI**

Mikayla, a junior from South Range, WI, is double majoring in Hispanic Studies and International Studies. Mikayla will be studying abroad this summer in Salamanca, Spain. She is very passionate about language, literature, and culture.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **LAUREN HIBBARD**

Lauren, a junior from Green Bay, WI, is majoring in Hispanic Studies, Latin American Studies, and International Studies with a minor in Environment, Sustainability and Geography. Lauren studied abroad last spring in Bilbao, Spain. At UMD Lauren is on the Women's Ultimate Frisbee Club Team.

# WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES DEPARTMENT

## ARNOLDO AND NEVA HAX SCHOLARSHIP IN GERMAN STUDIES

Arnoldo and his late wife Neva established this scholarship to help support students studying in the area of German Studies to continue their education and/or to travel abroad. Arnoldo and Neva moved to the Duluth area to be closer to their daughter and her family and to enjoy the magnificence of Lake Superior. They both share a love for literature, language, art, and travel.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **ABIGAIL SWEETMAN**

Abigail, a sophomore from Rosemount, MN, is majoring in German Studies and Pre-Business. Abigail will be studying abroad in Passau, Germany, during Spring 2020. Abigail is in the UMD Honors Program and is a Bulldog Tour Guide.

## THE CULTURAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

The Cultural Entrepreneurship (CUE) Scholarship was established by board members of the CUE program to encourage promising students in the field and help recruit more students to this new and innovative major. Students are selected based on their academic achievements and commitment to the program.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **JULES LEABO**

Jules, a junior from Taylors Falls, MN, is majoring in Cultural Entrepreneurship and Environmental Sustainability with a minor in German Studies. Jules is involved with the Chi Alpha church group, MPIRG, the UMD Tennis Club, and the Environmental Sustainability Coalition. She is working on a project to decrease plastic bag use on campus. Her dream is to obtain a job in global development and work on building environmental sustainability with disadvantaged communities.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **AARON LUNDGREN**

Aaron, a sophomore from Brainerd, MN, is majoring in Cultural Entrepreneurship with a minor in German Studies. Aaron hopes to spend time abroad after completing his degree at UMD. In addition to having a full credit load, Aaron also works full time.

# WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES DEPARTMENT

## FRANCES A. KNOBLOCH SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established by a graduate of the World Languages and Cultures Department and is named in honor of her high school language teacher, Frances Knobloch. Frances also contributes to this scholarship, which is open to students studying French, German, and Spanish.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **ALIZA MASHADI**

Aliza, a junior from Maple Grove, MN, is majoring in Teaching Spanish with a minor in Hispanic Studies. Aliza will be studying abroad this summer in Salamanca, Spain. At UMD, Aliza is a member of the Spanish Club and the Black Student Association and is Vice President of the Muslim Student Association.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **ANDREA GOMEZ MOLANO**

Andrea, a sophomore, was born and raised in Columbia and at age twelve moved to Minnesota. Andrea is majoring in Chinese Area Studies and International Studies. She will be studying abroad in China this summer and hopes to develop a better understanding of the language and culture. At UMD Andrea is involved with the Multicultural Center as a student leader and is secretary for the International Club.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **TYLER MUELLNER**

Tyler, a sophomore from Cottage Grove, MN, is majoring in Exercise Science with a minor in Hispanic Studies. Tyler will be studying abroad this summer in Salamanca, Spain. At UMD, Tyler is a member of SERVE, Chi Alpha, and Pre-PA club. He is a student worker in the main production kitchen and a donor service technician at CSL Plasma. Tyler hopes to become a Physician's Assistant and use his Spanish skills to help patients in a pediatric and/or sports medicine specialty.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **EMILY OSTRAND**

Emily, a junior from Mahtomedi, MN, is double majoring in Hispanic Studies and Communication Sciences and Disorders with a minor in Psychology. She will be participating in the Language and Culture in Spain program this June in Salamanca, Spain. Outside of her studies, Emily is involved in University Honors and various volunteering organizations on campus.

# WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES DEPARTMENT

## FRIENDS OF MILAN KOVACOVIC SCHOLARSHIP IN FRENCH STUDIES

The Friends of Milan Kovacovic Scholarship was established by a group of former students of Professor Kovacovic's to provide travel support for students majoring or minoring in French Studies. Milan celebrated his retirement in 2018 after working at UMD for 44 years!

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MACKENZIE COLLOVA**

Mackenzie, a junior from Maplewood, MN, is double majoring in French Studies and English Literature, Language and Culture and is also a participant of the Business Administration Certificate program. Mackenzie will be studying abroad during Fall 2019 at the University of Montpellier in Montpellier, France. She is a member of the Jujitsu Club and is president of the French Language Connection, which allows college students to teach French at a local elementary school.

## THE JONATHAN CONANT SCHOLARSHIP

The Jonathan Conant Scholarship was established in 2009 by former students and friends that wished to honor Professor Jonathan Conant. The scholarship is awarded to students studying German.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**LACEY MUHLENHARDT**

Lacey, a sophomore from Carver, MN, is double majoring in German Studies and Accounting. Lacey plans on going on a short term study abroad trip to the Netherlands, Germany, and the Czech Republic. She is very excited to see Germany again and visit new countries.

# THE ROYAL D. ALWORTH JR. INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

## ALWORTH INSTITUTE STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

This award is presented to a student demonstrating an interest in acquiring international experience. The award is to provide support for a student to take part in an approved study abroad program.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**ALLISON MORSETTE**

Allie, a junior from Two Harbors, MN, is double majoring in Hispanic Studies and Psychology. She works a part-time job while at UMD. After graduation she hopes to pursue a career in Spanish Translation or go on to graduate school to study marriage and family counseling or developmental psychology.

## ROBERT H. AND MARY M. EVANS STUDY IN ENGLAND SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to a student who attends UMD the year following participation in the Study in England Program. It is based upon intellectual and personal growth and overall contribution to the vitality of the program.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**LEAH BENSON-DEVINE**

Leah, a senior from Minneapolis, MN, is majoring in Production Design with a Scenic and Costume design emphasis. She is currently studying abroad in Worcester, England and enjoys reading and painting in her free time. She hopes to work in local theatres for a bit before going to graduate school.

## MASTER OF LIBERAL STUDIES PROGRAM

### EDWARD J. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP

Dr. Bruce Smith created this fund in 1998 in memory of UMD Academic and Student Support staff member Edward J. Smith. The purpose of the fund is to provide scholarships for non-traditional age students as they study for their advanced degree at UMD.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**D'ANDRE ROBINSON**

D'Andre, from Minneapolis, MN, is a Re-Entry case manager with SOAR Career Solutions in Duluth. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Superior and is pursuing his Master of Liberal Studies degree at UMD, focusing on restorative justice practices.

# CLA COLLEGE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

## ANNE AND AMELIA TSUI DARE TO CARE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was created by Dr. Anne S. Tsui who graduated from UMD in 1973, received her Master in Industrial Relations from the U of M Twin Cities and later her doctorate from the Anderson School of Management at UCLA. This scholarship recognizes students who choose to pursue a career or future studies that will bring value to society, beyond providing a good career for themselves.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**BRIANNA TAGGART**

Brianna, a junior from Wadena, MN, is double majoring in Journalism and Communication with a minor in Digital Writing, Literature and Design. She is an editor for The Bark and enjoys hiking in her spare time. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in journalism by working for an outdoor and adventure magazine.

## CLA ADVISORY COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

The CLA Advisory Council established this scholarship to encourage and support outstanding students in the College of Liberal Arts. The Advisory Council members all credit their liberal arts education as the firm foundation that gave them the tools to succeed. Their hope is that, through this scholarship, they can help deserving students have an enriching experience at UMD, and that they will be able to look back from a future career with fond memories and gratitude for their UMD liberal arts education.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**STINE MYRAH**

Bio unavailable.

# CLA COLLEGE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

## THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

The College of Liberal Arts Scholarship is funded by gifts from alumni and friends. It is awarded annually to undergraduate students in the College of Liberal Arts who have demonstrated high academic achievement in, and commitment to, the liberal arts.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **LAUREN HIBBARD**

Lauren, a junior from Green Bay, WI, is majoring in Hispanic Studies, Latin American Studies, and International Studies with a minor in Environment, Sustainability and Geography. Lauren studied abroad last spring in Bilbao, Spain. At UMD Lauren is on the Women's Ultimate Frisbee Club Team.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **MARIA LANDFRIED**

Maria, a sophomore from Lino Lakes, MN, is double majoring in Political Science and Philosophy with an emphasis on Applied Ethics. She enjoys spending time with her friends and exploring Duluth in her spare time. After graduation she hopes to go to law school and pursue a career as an attorney to fight for the less fortunate.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **RACHEL WACHTLER**

Rachel, a junior from River Falls, WI, is studying Journalism and Environment and Sustainability. She plans to use her journalism and environmental skills to write about pressing environmental issues. She enjoys being outside and spending her summers in Duluth hunting for agates and lake glass on Lake Superior's shore.

## DANIEL AND MARY LEVENDUSKI HUMANITIES SCHOLARSHIP

Daniel and Mary Levenduski, natives of the Twin Ports, came from large families and entered the workplace while still completing their high school educations. Though neither were ever able to attend college, they embraced the value of a post-secondary education and believed that a broad grounding in the liberal arts was important for future success in all fields. The Levenduski's wanted to give back to UMD after their daughter Cris became a student here, and to provide support for the humanities, Cris' chosen field of study. This scholarship honors them and their commitment to the study of the humanities across disciplines at UMD.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:** **NAOMI LEEDAHL**

Naomi, a freshman from Starbuck, MN, is majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies: Storytelling Through the Arts with a minor in Communication. Her primary focus is theatre and enjoys reading and writing in her spare time. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in directing, writing and dramaturgy or attend graduate school to pursue her Master's of Fine Arts.

# CLA COLLEGE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

## DR. KATHLEEN KAY SIMO COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

A believer in the liberal arts, Dr. Kathleen Kay Simo (English '62) established this scholarship in 2015 with the intent to help future students in the College of Liberal Arts achieve their own success through a well-rounded education. This scholarship is awarded to students who demonstrate a commitment to a diverse course of study with the goal of pursuing graduate or professional studies.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**SAMANTHA BENZINGER**

Sam, a sophomore from Milwaukee, WI, is majoring in Criminology with a double minor in Aerospace Studies and Psychology. She is actively involved with the AFROTC Program and UMD Women's Club Volleyball team and enjoys watching Netflix in her spare time. After graduation she hopes to pursue a career in the Air Force as an Officer of Special Investigations (OSI).

## EBERT STEMBLER SCHOLARSHIP

Mary Ebert (Sociology-Anthropology '70) and Paul Stembler hope their scholarships will give students the financial flexibility and opportunity to involve themselves in other activities that they find rewarding. Through this scholarship, Mary and Paul hope to inspire others to share the experience, honor, and the feelings of good will that UMD has given them over the past years.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**ABBY MILLMAN**

Abby, a junior from Prior Lake, MN, is double majoring in Criminology and Sociology. She is actively involved with Mixed Martial Arts and enjoys volunteering at Animal Allies in her spare time. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in Parole or go on to graduate school.

## FRANK MCCRAY JR. ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Frank McCray Jr. (B.A. English '67), (M.A. English '71), often gave credit for his success to his background at UMD. His lifelong passion for reading pushed him to pursue a career in higher education. Frank's wife, Judy, and children honored Frank's wishes and established this scholarship after his passing in 2011.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**SABRINA ONUMA**

Sabrina, a freshman from Elk River, MN, is majoring in Linguistics with minors in Cognitive Science and Hispanic Studies. She is actively involved in academics, and she enjoys spending time with friends and her dogs. After graduation, she hopes to attend graduate school and pursue a career in a Linguistics-related field.

# CLA COLLEGE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

## MARJORIE ALTA RUSSELL OBEN SCHOLARSHIP

Alta Marie Oben (Political Science '69) created this fund in memory of her mother, Marjorie Alta Russell, who loved learning and was an avid reader. This renewable scholarship is intended to provide support for entering freshmen at the University of Minnesota Duluth's College of Liberal Arts who demonstrate academic merit.

### AWARD RECIPIENT:

**RYAN BERKLAND**

Ryan, a freshman from LeSueur, MN, is majoring in Anthropology and minoring in LGBTQ Studies. He is actively involved in MPIRG and enjoys painting in his spare time. After graduation he plans to pursue a career at a museum or go on to graduate school to further his education in anthropology.

### AWARD RECIPIENT:

**ANNA COUNIHAN**

Anna, a freshman from St. Paul, MN, is double majoring in Hispanic Studies and Political Science with a minor in Environmental Sustainability. She is actively involved in the Student Association and serves as the Chief Student Life Officer. She enjoys hiking, reading, and spending time with her family in her spare time. After graduation, she plans to attend law school to pursue a career in law and eventually become an immigration lawyer.

### AWARD RECIPIENT:

**SKYLER NEUBER**

Skylar, a freshman from Neenah, WI, is majoring in Strategic Journalism with a double minor in Communication Studies and Social Justice. She enjoys reading and being outside in her spare time. After graduation she hopes to join the Peace Corps before attending graduate school.

### AWARD RECIPIENT:

**MALIZA SIVONGSA**

Maliza, a sophomore from Richfield, MN, is majoring in Philosophy with a minor in Psychology. She is actively involved in UMD Asian Pacific American Association, and enjoys hiking and hammocking in her spare time. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in the cognitive science field or as a nature guide or park ranger.

# CLA COLLEGE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

## NEIL T. STORCH SCHOLARSHIP

Neil T. Storch joined the UMD Department of History in 1969, retiring in 2005 after 36 successful years. Professor Storch has touched the lives of countless students, encouraging them to pursue their dreams and achieve their potential. After retirement, Dr. Storch has been active in UMD's University for Seniors program as history, teaching, and advising continue to be his passion.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**ASHLEY HOCHSTEIN**

Ashley, a freshman from Rockford, MN, is double majoring in Environment, Sustainability, and Geography and Communication. She is actively involved with the Student Sustainability Coalition and Chi Alpha Campus Ministry and enjoys hiking and exploring Duluth with her friends in her spare time. After graduation she plans to pursue a career in sustainability.

## POTTER LLOYD FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

The Potter Lloyd Family Scholarship was established by Elizabeth Potter Lloyd (Sociology-Anthropology '59) and her family. Elizabeth believes that higher education is an important part of a person's growth and maturation, and it also stimulates one to lead a life of continuous learning. She is proud to say that UMD is a special place in this respect as it accomplishes these goals and does so in an affordable manner.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MARGARET GRAHAM**

Margaret, a freshman from Buffalo, MN, is majoring in Communication with minors in Hispanic Studies and Marketing. She is actively involved with Chi Alpha student ministry and enjoys photography, hiking, and being on the lake with her family in her spare time. After graduation, she hopes to pursue a career in mass media marketing and communication.

# CLA COLLEGE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

## RICHTER FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

Mitch Richter (Political Science '86) established this scholarship in dedication to family and friends who've assisted him in his life and helped him achieve what otherwise would not have been possible. It is especially dedicated to UMD faculty and staff who supported him, educated him, and made his student experience one that he looks back on as the most rewarding time in his life. In turn, he hopes this scholarship will help current deserving students in need.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MARIN JOHNSON**

Marin, a senior from Los Angeles, CA, is majoring in Criminology with a minor in Sociology. She is actively involved as a crisis counselor with Crisis Text Line and enjoys reading and writing in her spare time. After graduation she plans to continue on to law school.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**TRISTAN LAPLANT**

Tristan, a junior from Buffalo, MN, is majoring in Political Science with the intent to pursue law school after graduation. He is interested in the law and the politics that goes along with the legal field and would like to work for a firm or start his own one day as a corporate attorney.

## STEPHEN WELSH SCHOLARSHIP

After earning a B.S. in English from UMD in 1970, Stephen taught high school language arts for over three decades. After his retirement, he returned to UMD and completed his Master of Liberal Studies degree in 2015. The Welsh Scholarship recognizes academic achievement, as well as student participation in the non-academic aspects of college life. Such activities, Stephen contends, develop leadership, organizational, and communications skills, and give something back to one's university even before a degree is granted.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**JENNA PODGORNIK**

Jenna, a freshman from Duluth, MN, is majoring in Political Science with a minor in International Studies. She is actively involved with SERVE and enjoys being outside in her spare time. After graduation, she plans to pursue her Juris Doctorate at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities.

# CLA COLLEGE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

## TOBIN PEACE AND NON-VIOLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

Raymond Tobin's family set up this scholarship in the hope that, through education, young scholars can become engaged with the world around them at the local, national or international level while promoting an ethic of care and working toward peaceful solutions. This scholarship is awarded to a student in good academic standing who demonstrates a strong interest in non-violence studies.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**CLAIRE WEBER**

Claire, a junior from Stillwater, MN, is majoring in English Literature and Language with a minor in Professional Writing. She is actively involved in the University Honors Program, Chi Alpha Campus Ministry, and the Kirby Leadership Program. In her free time, she enjoys writing poetry and baking. After graduation, she plans on pursuing an internship through the campus ministry, followed by completing her Master's Degree in English.

## VIRGINIA AND MATT KLEMMACK SCHOLARSHIP

David Klemmack (Psychology '66), along with his wife, and other family members, established this scholarship in memory of his parents who strongly supported his academic pursuits.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**MIKAYLA GUSKI**

Mikayla, a junior from South Range, WI, is double majoring in Hispanic Studies and International Studies. She is passionate about language, literature and social justice. You can find her sipping coffee and writing stories in her free time. After graduation, she plans to pursue a career as an attorney.

**AWARD RECIPIENT:**

**ABIGAIL HEFTER**

Abigail, a sophomore from Two Harbors, MN, is double majoring in Political Science and Anthropology and is working to understand and revolutionize the legal system. She is actively involved in UMD's Mock Trial team and will serve as the president of the team next year. After graduation, she plans to attend law school to become a criminal defense attorney.

# FACULTY TEACHING & RESEARCH AWARDS

## CLA RESEARCH AWARD: TENURED FACULTY

AWARD RECIPIENT:

DR. WILLIAM SALMON

William Salmon is an associate professor of linguistics and Head of the UMD Department of English, Linguistics, and Writing Studies. In 2018 he published three articles in peer-reviewed journals on some of his absolute favorite topics. Two of these articles explored questions in the grammar of Southern US and African American English.

The third article, which was co-authored, took Professor Salmon to southern Belize, where he looked at prestige relations among Belizean Kriol English and Mopan Maya. This paper demonstrated that young Mopan speakers are quickly turning away from their traditional language in favor of the national Kriol English, and that if things continue in this present direction, Mopan will likely join the ranks of the other endangered languages in the region.

## CLA RESEARCH AWARD: TENURE-TRACK FACULTY

AWARD RECIPIENT:

DR. JACQUELINE HARVEY

Jacquelyn Harvey is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Communication. She earned a Ph.D. in Communication, and M.Ed. in Measurement and Statistics, from the University of Washington in 2015. In 2018 Jacquelyn published one article of her own and joint-authored six other articles examining how interpersonal communication habits are associated with individuals' physical or psychological health and well-being.

Work she is currently focusing on includes experimental research to determine whether mindfulness skills can improve couples' conflict resolution tactics, as well as determining how physiological stress responses are associated with support provision behaviors among friends.

In her copious amounts of free time, given her role as an assistant professor trying to get tenure, Jacquelyn can usually be found doing something outdoors such as snowboarding, kayaking, or sitting around a bonfire with family and friends.

# FACULTY TEACHING & RESEARCH AWARDS

## CLA RESEARCH AWARD: LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

AWARD RECIPIENT:

DR. LINDA LEGARDE GROVER

Linda LeGarde Grover's longtime connections to UMD have been as a student on academic probation, a college dropout, a staff member, and a faculty member in the Department of American Indian Studies. Her research field on the effects of federal American Indian policy upon Native families has led to a body of published work that includes fiction, poetry, creative nonfiction, journal articles, and newspaper columns.

She is the author of six books, contributor to twenty-three academic journals and edited volumes, and served from 2007 to 2018 as a columnist for the *Duluth Budgeteer News* and from 2011 to 2017 as a columnist for the *Bois Forte News*.

As an Anishinaabe woman, Linda is grateful to have been part of a rich indigenous education that has been at the heart of her research, service, and teaching; interweaving this with her academic work and style of pedagogy, she endeavors to share the best of both worlds with her students and colleagues, and in her writing.

## CLA TEACHING AWARD: TERM FACULTY

AWARD RECIPIENT:

REBECCA BOYLE

Becky Boyle is an Assistant Professor in the Department of English, Linguistics, and Writing Studies. Originally from a small town in Maine, she has spent the last eight years in the Midwest. After receiving her MFA in Poetry from the Iowa Writers' Workshop, she coordinated online literary programming for the University of Iowa's International Writing Program before teaching full time.

Since 2013, she has had the privilege to teach a variety of academic and creative writing courses at UMD, from first-year writing to poetry and fiction workshops. This semester, she is teaching Honors Advanced Writing, a course in which students serve as the editorial board for *Aisthesis*, UMD's annual interdisciplinary honors journal.

# FACULTY TEACHING & RESEARCH AWARDS

## CLA TEACHING AWARD: TENURED FACULTY

AWARD RECIPIENT:

DR. DAVID SYRING

David received his Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology at Rice University. His research and teaching includes cultures of place, the arts, and sustainability. His book, *Places in the World a Person Could Walk: Family, Stories, Home, and Place in the Texas Hill Country*, was a Minnesota Book Award finalist.

Since 2005 he has done fieldwork in Ecuador. His work with a creative indigenous community led to the book, *With the Saraguros: The Blended Life in a Transnational World*. He also creates videos with Saraguro collaborators (find on Youtube using the search term *technopelli*).

He co-created (with Dr. Mitra Emad) the Participatory Media Lab at UMD to teach students research methods for community engagement and social change. His students produced *Northern Roots: Growing Food in the Western Lake Superior Region*, which premiered at Zinema and can be streamed on Vimeo. He edits *Anthropology and Humanism*, a journal of the American Anthropological Association.

## CLA TEACHING AWARD: TENURE-TRACK FACULTY

AWARD RECIPIENT:

DR. RYAN BERGSTROM

Ryan Bergstrom received his B.S. in Earth Sciences from Montana State University, and went on to pursue a Master's degree in that same program. He received his Ph.D. in Geography with an emphasis in Sustainability Studies from Kansas State University. After graduating from Kansas State, he accepted a position in the Department of Geography at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN, where he taught until arriving at UMD in August of 2014.

Ryan's research interests involve the complexity of coupled social-ecological systems, specifically as they relate to rural areas, agriculture, natural resource extraction, and recreation and tourism. He is particularly interested in understanding how natural resource-dependent communities impact their local environment and how these impacts facilitate or hinder a transition towards sustainability.

As a human-environment geographer Ryan straddle's the worlds of physical and cultural geography, and uses geospatial sciences to better understand the relationship between humans and the natural world. Because of his passion for both realms of geography (physical and cultural), he teaches a wide variety of courses. Ryan also teaches the Program in Geography's Internship Preparation course, and leads the department's internship program.

# ADDITIONAL FACULTY AWARDS

## ALBERT TEZLA TEACHER/SCHOLAR AWARD

AWARD RECIPIENT:

DR. EDWARD DOWNS

Edward Downs received his Ph.D. in Media Studies from Pennsylvania State University. He teaches a variety of courses in the Department of Communication at UMD, including: Scientific Research Methods, Video Game Entertainment, New Communication Technology, Dark Side of Media & Technology, Media Effects, and a senior seminar on Psychophysiology.

His published research has examined relationships between technology and learning, the psychology of the individual-avatar relationship in digital environments, and how simulation experiences influence attitude and behavior changes. He is currently examining the potential for learning in augmented and virtual-reality environments.

He is the recipient of the 2018 College of Liberal Arts Tenured Faculty Teaching Award, and Peter Lang Publishing recently released his first book, *The Dark Side of Media and Technology: A 21<sup>st</sup> Century Guide to Media and Technological Literacy*. He is the Director of the Communication Research Lab.

## OUTSTANDING FACULTY ADVISOR AWARD

AWARD RECIPIENT:

DR. WEIQING ZHANG

Weiqing Zhang received her Ph.D. in Chinese Literature and World Literatures from Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in Beijing in 2005; her graduate diploma in English from Beihang University in 1997 and BA in English from Nankai University in 1988. Her professional interests are in the field of Late Qing period of Chinese literature, translation theories and comparative literature.

Dr. Zhang published a series of research papers on top-tier journals focusing on Lishao Jushi who marked the beginning of Chinese modern translation. Dr. Zhang spent 25 years teaching at Beijing Technology and Business University in Beijing, China. She joined the Department of World Languages and Cultures in 2013 where she started the Chinese Area Studies major and minor programs.

Dr. Zhang has been teaching, advising and leading study abroad programs to make the Chinese Area Studies program grow. She has also been trying to increase the visibility of the Chinese program on the UMD campus and beyond. In 2018, she received the College of Liberal Arts Award for Excellence in Teaching and in 2019, she was named Outstanding Faculty Advisor for the College of Liberal Arts.

# OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD

## **ERIC D. FAUST** **ENGLISH '08**

Eric Faust, a Stillwater, Minn. native, developed an affinity for roasting coffee beans on a popcorn popper as an English major at the University of Minnesota Duluth.

“I always thought I was going to be a writer or a professor,” said Eric, who is the founder and owner of Duluth Coffee Co., a wholesale distributor of carefully selected and locally roasted beans from around the globe.



Eric has worked as a barista, trainer, green bean buyer, consultant and United States Barista Championship Judge. In his lead-up to becoming a business owner, Eric wrote freelance pieces about coffee. He has written for national coffee publication like Fresh Cup and Roast Magazine as well as local publications like the Rake and the Heavy Table. His experience and passion is a driving force behind the Duluth Coffee Company.

Eric calls himself a “reluctant businessman.” The more he learned about the beans — there are two beans inside every coffee berry — the more he loved it. The more he loved it, the more he developed his passion. He befriended and mined the brain of Ed Dunn, of Dunn Brothers fame, during their regular visits. Then he bought a roaster.

Eric’s love for coffee connected him to wonderful people across the world. He focuses on roasting single origin coffees to pay homage to the origin and processing of coffee. Eric travels to the origin to build relationships with farmers and coffee cooperatives. Recent trips have connected him to farmers in Colombia, Costa Rica, Guatemala and Mexico. These origin trips have been fundamental in creating direct relationships with farmers to ensure top quality coffee and processing.

Duluth Coffee Co. serves 40 clients on a growing roster, pays its employees above the federal minimum wage mandate set for 2016, and contributes to an employee retirement fund. It also has received a national Bicycle Friendly Business Award.

Eric also serves on the advisory committee with UMD’s Cultural Entrepreneurship Program. He and his wife, Jena, have two young children, Ailee and Teddy.

# OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD

## **JOSEPH S. NAYQUONABE, JR. MASTER OF TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNANCE '13**

Joe Nayquonabe, Jr. is an American Indian business professional who has spent his career reimagining and reinventing how American Indian tribal economies grow and prosper.

He spent over a decade as a marketing executive growing the Grand Casino brand before ascending to CEO of the Mille Lacs Band's Corporate Commission where he created several companies including Mille Lacs Corporate Ventures, which manages the entire business portfolio of the Mille Lacs Band; 2020 Casino Solutions; Maadaadizi Holdings; and Wewinabi Inc. He has also kept Grand Casino at the forefront as one of the most valuable brands in Indian Gaming.



In addition to his work, Joe is a member of YPO (formerly Young Presidents' Organization) and serves on the National Diversity Advisory Board for the University of Minnesota, the American Indian Advisory Board for St. Cloud State University, the American Red Cross Minneapolis Region, Visit St. Paul, Friends of Como Zoo, the Initiative Foundation, Minnesota Historical Society, Great River Passage Conservancy Board and the Saint Paul Downtown Alliance Board.

Joe has a bachelor's degree in marketing from St. Cloud State University, a master's degree in business administration from the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management and a master of tribal administration and governance degree from the University of Minnesota Duluth.

He and his wife, Chris, live in Onamia with their daughters, Bella, Phoenix-Rose, and Xiana. In his spare time, Joe enjoys running marathons, studying the Ojibwe language, and reading.

Thank you to our Master of Ceremonies:

**LISA HOLMAN**  
**FRENCH STUDIES AND MUSIC '16**

Lisa Holman graduated from the University of Minnesota Duluth in 2016 with a Bachelor of Arts in Music and French Studies. She was an active influence at UMD as a Study Abroad Ambassador, French Department Tutor, and Mu Phi Epsilon music fraternity member.

Lisa was the recipient of the CLA Wide Scholarship 2014-2016, Angela Marinelli Scholarship 2015, Gershgol Music Scholarship 2014-2015, Mu Phi Epsilon Scholarship 2014, and was a Katherine E. Sullivan Scholarship finalist in 2015. She was also the Undergraduate Bulldog Award recipient and CLA Board of Advisers presenter in 2016.



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During the summer and fall of 2015, Lisa studied abroad in France immersing herself in French culture, completing an Undergraduate Research Opportunity Project, and taking vocal lessons at celebrated Parisian music conservatory La Schola Cantorum. Upon returning, she traveled to Asheville, NC representing UMD as a presenter with her UROP: Editing Madame de Lafayette's *La Princesse de Clèves* at the National Conference for Undergraduate Research as well as completed her Senior Vocal Recital for UMD's School of Fine Arts.

Lisa still stays busy in life after graduating working at a credit union, tutoring students in French and voice, gardening, riding her motorcycle, and singing lead for Laura Velvet, one of the area's most popular up-and-coming bands as told by the Duluth News Tribune. They specialize in popular music from Motown to Modern performing all over the Twin Ports. Lisa is especially proud that Laura Velvet will be headlining Rock the Big Top 2019 this June for Grandma's Marathon.

The support from the CLA and its faculty helped Lisa succeed during her time at UMD. She is so proud to be a part of this event and witness the continued successes of students involved with the Liberal Arts.

Thank you for being part of the 2019 CLA End of the Year Awards Reception. Whether you are here as a faculty or staff member, parent or family member of a student, one of our CLA students, alumni, or donors to one of our scholarships, you are part of our CLA family and we wouldn't be here today without your support.  
We look forward to seeing you again next year.

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