

UNIVERSITY AWARDS GALA 2017

Gala Opening.....	Hugo Dante
Master and Mistress of Ceremonies.....	Jessica D. McAlister Mr. Ron K. Patterson
Welcome and Remarks from the President.....	Dr. Kenneth D. Kitts

OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Each academic achievement award is determined by the departmental faculty and is presented to the graduating senior in each academic major based on academic achievement, character, professionalism and potential. An asterisk by a name indicates that the recipient graduated either summer 2016 or fall 2016.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

RECIPIENTS

Art.....	Mollie F. Schaefer
Biology.....	Richard C. Bryan
Chemistry.....	Lee S. Mayhall
Communication Arts.....	Daichi Shigematsu
Criminal Justice.....	Caleb M. Henry
English.....	Yidan "Victoria" Zhang
Entertainment Industry.....	Adlih R. Kimbrell
Foreign Languages.....	Todd M. Erickson
Geography.....	Gabrielle A. D'Arcy*
Geographic Information Science.....	Anh N. Nguyen*
History.....	Jimmy R. Aldridge*
Industrial Hygiene.....	Lee S. Mayhall
Interdisciplinary Studies.....	Stephanie W. Cruce*
Mass Communication.....	Savannah L. Johnson
Mathematics.....	Brianna N. Hillman*
Music.....	Kayla F. Sims*
Music, Performance.....	Henry "Logan" Murphree
Physics.....	Matthew B. Cooper*
Political Science.....	Allison M. Young*
Psychology.....	Linda A. Wheeler
Social Science.....	Skyler G. Kirchner*
Social Work.....	Natasha N. Thomas
Sociology.....	Odile A. Logan
Spanish.....	Maya R. Vasileva*

Dean's Award:

College of Arts & Sciences, presented by Dr. Carmen L. Burkhalter..... Nathan E. Smith

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Accounting.....	Gabriela Gomez-Perez
Computer Information Systems.....	Aliyah E. Northington
Computer Science.....	Eileen R. Drass
Economics.....	Ty M. Miller
Finance.....	Gabriela Gomez-Perez
Professional Management.....	Matthew R. Harper*
Professional Marketing.....	Samantha R. Black

Dean's Award:

College of Business, presented by Dr. Doug Barrett Gabriela Gomez-Perez

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES

Willingham Award in Elementary Education Stephanie L. Palmer
Willingham Award in Secondary Education Norma "Rachel" Sweigard*
Culinary Arts, Nutrition, and Hospitality Management Giorgia Palma
Exercise Science Hank C. Thigpen
Health, Physical Education and Recreation Darcy B. Hathcote
Human Environmental Sciences Miriam K. Wilson*
Sport and Recreation Management Hannah E. Harris*

Dean's Award:

College of Education and Human Sciences, presented by Dr. Donna P. Lefort Heather F. Fields

ANDERSON COLLEGE OF NURSING

Nursing Traditional BSN Kristen L. Wooten
Nursing Online RN-BSN James Hardemon

Dean's Award:

College of Nursing, presented by Dr. Vicki G. Pierce Carson L. Hagood

DISTINGUISHED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

presented by Dr. John G. Thornell..... Samantha R. Black, Jessica J. Bullard,
Micah T. Gamble, Charley A. Halton, Ameila L. McHan

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RECIPIENTS

The Lion's Cup, presented by Mr. Tyler Thompson Military and Veterans Alliance

Outstanding Volunteerism Awards, presented by Mrs. Bethany Green:

Student Kathleen K. Napoles
Student Organization Circle K

Greek Awards, presented by Ms. Ashley Christman:

Greek Man of the Year Jose V. Figueroa-Cifuentes
Greek Woman of the Year Kallie R. Butler
Daniel R. Leasure Award Alpha Gamma Delta

LaGrange Society Awards, presented by Mrs. Julie Taylor:

Hostess of the Year Anna G. Long
Host of the Year Jose V. Figueroa-Cifuentes

Housing and Residence Life Staff Member of the Year

presented by Dr. Kevin L. Jacques Natasha N. Thomas

Student Employee of the Year, presented by Ms. Cala Flippo Kevin "Blake" Hargett

President's Diversity Awards, presented by Dr. Kenneth D. Kitts:

Faculty Diversity Dr. Katie Owens-Murphy
Student Diversity Kijana D. Mitchell
Student Organization Diversity Black Student Alliance

Global Lions Awards, presented by Dr. Chunsheng Zhang:
 International Student Gongxu "Aaron" Zhang
 Study Abroad Student..... Brittny N. Carter

Undergraduate Service Awards, presented by Mr. David P. Shields, Jr. Jocelyn T. Barnes,
 Jonathan J. Barnett, Jordan G. Cooper, Tia M. Nall

Hall of Fame Awards, presented by Mr. David P. Shields, Jr. Taylor B. Anders,
 Tyler A. Delano, Mollie F. Schaefer, Ruby E. Villalobos

University Man 2017, presented by Dr. Kenneth D. Kitts Quinton T. Lane

University Woman 2017, presented by Dr. Kenneth D. Kitts Hannah M. Hopkins

W. T. McElheny Award, presented by Nikki Mathews Mr. David L. Black

Outstanding Service Award, presented by Nic Smith..... Dr. Lloyd E. Jones

Eleanor Gaunder Phi Kappa Phi Excellence in Teaching Award,
 presented by Dr. Michael J. Pretes Dr. Scott R. Infanger

Academic Affairs Faculty Awards, presented by Dr. John G. Thornell:
 Outstanding Advising..... Dr. Jana P. Beaver
 Dr. Jim F. Couch Outstanding Scholarship/Research Dr. Xihui "Paul" Zhang
 Outstanding Service Dr. J. Doug Barrett
 Dr. Lawrence J. Nelson Outstanding Teaching Dr. Sarah L. Franklin

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ALMA MATER

In the sunny heart of Dixie
On the Tennessee,
Stands the school we owe all honor,
Love and loyalty.

Happy days within thy portals
Bless our memory;
Friendships dear and truths immortal,
We have found in thee.

Through the future generations
Honored by thy name;
May thy sons and daughters bring thee
Everlasting fame.

CHORUS

Alma Mater, Alma Mater;
Bring we homage due;
Pledge we here our heart's devotion
To thy colors true.



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