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UNIVERSITY AWARDS GALA 2012

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Gala Opening	William "Will" E. Riley
Master and Mistress of Ceremonies.....	Uchenna "Ralph" Akalonu Mrs. Stephanie L. Montgomery
Welcome.....	Dr. John G. Thornell <i>Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost</i> Mr. David P. Shields <i>Vice President for Student Affairs</i>
Remarks from the President.....	Dr. William G. Cale, Jr.

SENIOR ACADEMIC AWARDS

*Presented to the graduating senior from the two previous semesters and the current semester
In each major field with the highest grade point average (minimum 3.0/4.0).
An asterisk by a name indicates that the recipient graduated either summer 2011 or fall 2011.*

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Recipients

Art

Art	Lauren A. McCartney
Fine Arts – Painting.....	Rhiannon N. Clarke

Biology

Biology – General	Keri D. Metcalf, Joel C. Sessions
Biology – Environmental	Sarah A. Tominack*
Biology – Professional	Danielle N. Skelton*

Chemistry and Industrial Hygiene

Chemistry – General.....	Jacob A. Smith
Chemistry – Professional	Tasha R. McKinney
Industrial Hygiene	Jacob A. Smith

Communications and Theatre

Broadcast Journalism	Lauren E. Estes
Entertainment Media Production.....	Paige L. Hampton*
Entertainment Publicity-Promotion.....	Traci L. Hite
Film & Digital Media Production.....	Rachel A. Bates
Journalism.....	Jordan R. Bradley
Public Communication	Brandon R. White
Public Relations	Jamie E. Brooks*
Radio-Television-Film.....	Alexandra L. O'Steen
Theatre.....	Lesley E. Harper

Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice.....	Hillary P. King
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English

English Option.....	<i>Judith D. Dacosta*, Alliyah M. Finley</i>
Language Arts.....	<i>Jenifer L. Johnson</i>
Professional Writing Option.....	<i>Deborah M. Bailey</i>

Entertainment Industry

Entertainment Industry Business.....	<i>Chelsea M. Carroll</i>
Entertainment Industry Technology.....	<i>David M. Nelson</i>

Foreign Languages

Spanish.....	<i>Lacy M. Triplett</i>
Commerce – Spanish.....	<i>Luke A. Baker*</i>
French.....	<i>Nikki L. Scott*</i>
Commerce – French.....	<i>Elizabeth G. Spurr</i>

Geography

Geography – Essential Geography Option.....	<i>Christopher I. Ivie</i>
Geography – General.....	<i>Matthew D. Balentine*</i>
Geography Information Systems.....	<i>Samuel J. Hurst</i>

History and Political Science

History.....	<i>Kristen L. Tippett</i>
Political Science.....	<i>Michael A. Nitsos</i>
Social Science.....	<i>Evan R. Underwood*</i>

Interdisciplinary Studies

Interdisciplinary Studies.....	<i>Mary E. Yearwood</i>
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Mathematics

Mathematics.....	<i>Kellie E. Tucker*</i>
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Music and Theatre

Commercial Music.....	<i>Natsumi Morimoto</i>
Instrument.....	<i>Kanae Ishii*</i>
Instrument Education.....	<i>Nathaniel J. Michal*</i>
Music-Vocal/Choral Education.....	<i>Leslee D. Scott*</i>

Physics and Earth Science

Physics – Professional.....	<i>Joshua C. Oglesby</i>
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Psychology

Psychology.....	<i>Betsy G. Thompson*</i>
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Social Work

Social Work.....	<i>Heather L. Polk</i>
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Sociology

Sociology.....	<i>Allison W. Ray, Jerry L. Saylor</i>
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COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Accounting and Business Law

Professional Accounting..... *Scott W. Freeman, Addie K. Grissom*,
Jessica L. Johnston, Leigh D. Taylor*, Jonathan A. Wilson**

Computer Information Systems

End-User Computing Systems..... *Kellie L. Sella*
Enterprise Information Systems..... *William K. Shannon*
Computer Science *Nicholas P. Bryson*

Economics and Finance

Economics *Jessica L. Johnston*
Finance-Banking and Financial Services..... *Devon K. Avery*
Finance-Professional *Andrew F. Ceci*

Management and Marketing

Entertainment Industry Management..... *Mason G. Kirkland**
Entrepreneurship *John S. Froman*, Jonathan L. Cooper*
Human Resource Management..... *Heather N. Cole**
Hospitality Management *Jordan L. Harless*
Management – Professional (General *Patrick T. Hutchinson**
Marketing *Hope M. McDow*

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Elementary Education

Elementary Education K-6 *Heather D. Alexander*

Health, Physical Education and Recreation

HPER – Exercise Science *Sarah C. Roberts**
HPER – General *Jackie L. Motter**
HPER - Fitness Management *Kevin P. Magee**
HPER – Recreation..... *Megan M. Butz**
HPER – Sports Management..... *Matthew F. Daniels*
HPER – Health..... *Pattie L. Riethmaier*
Physical Education P-12 *Natalie E. Harrison*

Human Environmental Sciences

Culinary Arts..... *Olivia B. Roberson**
Foods and Nutrition..... *Ann C. Hibbett**
Child Development..... *Emily N. Baker*
Merchandising..... *Christina M. DeGrado**

Secondary Education

English/Language Arts *Melissa K. Walker*
Family and Consumer Science *Tara M. Hilliard*
Foreign Languages – Spanish *McKenzie A. Britnell*
General Science *Kristie C. Corum*
History *Paul C. P. Hewitt*
Mathematics..... *Joseph T. Elliott*
Secondary Education..... *Jenifer L. Johnson*

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

Nursing

Nursing Traditional Hilary Puckett Glover*
Nursing Online Miranda M. Smith

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Awards

Recipients

George C. Marshall Award Omar A. Sharif
2LT Barber Trophy Grant C. Tarascou
Secondary Education Award Caley Whittemore
Willingham Award Sarah A. Jones
Robert L. Potts Hall of Fame John C. Ledgewood
LaGrange Society Abril B. Agnew, Justin "Bishop" M. Alexander,
Sarah "Lauren" L. Alsup, Lindsey Lee Belew, Caleb H. Banks,
Gavin E. Best, Ethan C. Cagle, Kaitlin B. Chappell, James A. Cochran,
Jesse D. Faulk, Siobhan K. Gehrs, Whitney N. Hargett,
Andrew "Drew" B. Harrison, Chase D. Hoagland, John C. Ledgewood,
Mollie C. Malone, Emily K. McCann, Bianca C. Mitchell, Eryn E. Mitchell,
Allison W. Ray, William "Will" E. Riley, Whitney L. Rowe,
William "Will" K. Shannon, Emily A. Smith, Grace A. Spencer,
Anna "Avy" V. Stansbury, Aaron J. Stapler, Robert "RJ" J. Stein, Jr.,
Christian "Chris" L. Stovall, William "Randy" R. Thomason,
Lacy M. Triplett, Katherine E. Vandiver, Dustin W. Varner
Leadership UNA Leslie E. Clegg, Alexis S. Cosby-Harris,
Amber P. Griggs, Caitlan M. Haddock, Amanda "Grace" Kearley, Ye Liang,
Madason McCurdy, Erin R. Norton, Kaylie M. Riddick, Stephanie N. Smith
Order of Omega Sarah "Lauren" L. Alsup, Mary J. Daniel,
Anna Beth E. Ferguson, Kristin N. Gargus, Ethan A. Grisham, Carson B. Hallmark,
Maria G. Holland, John C. Ledgewood, Justin A. Pipkins, Elizabeth Ann Pope,
William "Will" E. Riley, Rachel L. Simmons, Cierra D. Smith, Grace A. Spencer,
Rachael E. Tuell, William "Randy" R. Thomason, Lyndsey K. Williams
Who's Who Among Students Ximena Baquerizo, Kristin B. Duncan,
Patrick T. Hutchinson, Christopher M. Michael,
Zachary D. Summy, Randy W. Thomason

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Recipients

The Lion's Cup, presented by Mrs. Tammy Jacques *Chinese Student Organization*

Contribution to Campus Life Award, presented by Mrs. Jennifer Brown

Leadership *Chase D. Hoagland*

Service *Kaylie N. Watts*

Greek Awards, presented by Mr. DeAnte' Smith

Greek Man of the Year *Robert Marshall Hess*

Greek Woman of the Year *Kaitlin B. Chappell*

Daniel R. Leasure Award *Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity*

LaGrange Society Awards, presented by Mr. Adam Goodman

Hostess of the Year *Lacy M. Triplett*

Host of the Year *Justin "Bishop" M. Alexander*

Community Advisor of the Year, presented by Mr. Kevin Jacques *Nathan T. Hendrix*

Student Employee of the Year, presented by Mrs. Melissa T. Medlin *Uchenna "Ralph" Akalonu*

President's Diversity Award

Faculty, presented by Dr. William G. Cale, Jr. *Dr. Lelon O. Davidson*

Academic Unit, presented by Dr. William G. Cale, Jr. *Department of Music & Theatre*

Student, presented by Dr. Willaim G. Cale, Jr *Allison W. Ray*

Dean's Award

College of Arts & Sciences, presented by Dr. Vagn Hansen *Keri D. Metcalf*

College of Business, presented by Dr. Kerry Gatlin *Jordan L. Harless*

College of Education, presented by Dr. Donna Jacobs *Joseph T. Elliott*

College of Nursing and Allied Health, presented by Dr. Birdie Bailey *Kayla M. Moore*

Distinguished Academic Achievement Award,

presented by Dr. John G. Thornell *Emily N. Baker, Jamie E. Brooks, Jordan L. Harless,*

Keri D. Metcalf, Hilary A. Puckett, Olivia B. Roberson, Joel C. Sessions,

Elizabeth "Grace" Spurr, Jonathan A. Wilson

Undergraduate Service Awards,

presented by Mr. David P. Shields, Jr. *Loic Mengou Etienne Dimithe, Emily K. McCann,*

Randy Thomason, Kaylie Watts

Hall of Fame Awards, presented by Mr. David P. Shields, Jr. *Lucy S. Berry,*

Chase D. Hoagland, John C. Ledgewood, Brandi L. Lewis

University Woman 2012, presented by Dr. William G. Cale, Jr. *Allison W. Ray*

University Man 2012, presented by Dr. William G. Cale, Jr. *Uchenna "Ralph" Akalonu*

W. T. McElheny Award, presented by William "Will" E. Riley *Cheryl L. Mathis*

Outstanding Service Award, presented by Rachel G. Gandy *Mrs. Margaret "Peggy" H. Bergeron*

Eleanor Gaunder Phi Kappa Phi Excellence in Teaching Award,

presented by Dr. Joan Parris *Dr. David W. Nickels*

Academic Affairs Faculty Award, presented by Dr. John G. Thornell

Outstanding Scholarship/Research *Dr. Danny E. Burton*

Outstanding Service *Dr. Michael D. Hall*

Outstanding Teaching *Mr. Charlton D. James*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO

Dr. William G. Cale, Jr., President

Mr. David P. Shields, Jr., Vice President for Student Affairs

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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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