27th Engineering Annual Scholarship Reception

The 2012 Engineering Scholarship Reception recognized exceptional students. Awards were presented by Interim Dean Rajan Batta and assisted by CSEE Professor, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education John Van Benschoten, and UB Distinguished Professor of CBE, Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education Paschalis Alexandridis.

Congratulations to the students honored and their families. We thank our donors and the event’s sponsors – LP Ciminelli and the UB Engineering Alumni Association. Thank you to Tom Albrechtschik for providing photography.

Award List

American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Awards: (Both ChemE)
- Outstanding Junior: Daniel Salem
- Outstanding Senior: Robert Morrow
- American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)
  - Awards: (All CivE)
    - Adarsh Bhagat Memorial Scholarship: David M. Benenson
    - Memorial Scholarship: Michael Bauda
    - Scholarship: Joseph and Adele Augustyn
    - Book Awards: ASCE
      - American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)
      - American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE)
          - Recognition Awards: (Both CivE)
            - Apostolos Sarlis
            - Undergraduate: Alvaro Giron
            - Clark Patterson Lee Engineering Scholarship: Michael Perkins
            - Cobham Mission Systems Engineering Scholarship: James Koloski
            - Dean’s Scholars: Laura Chamberlain, EE
              - Jonathan Cole
              - Belle Cunningham
              - ChemE
              - Mark Falinski
              - Francis Fonseca, ME
              - Kayla Kisenwether, MAE
              - Peter Kuchera, BME
              - John McGreavy, MAE
              - Julia Morrissey
              - Paul Nixon, CompE
              - Andrew Ortiz, MAE
              - Kerry Poppenberg, BME
              - Aaron Selkridge
              - Alexander Valencia
              - Engineering Scholarships: (Both EE)
                - Zachary Bauer
                - Emily Nuding
                - ChemE
                - Michelle Reele
                - ChemE
                - Engineering Cooperative Society (ECS) Award: (All EE)
                  - Michael Sparks
                  - Joshua Ulrich
                  - Lisa-Rae Zoldo
                  - Richard Ferguson (BS EE ’84)
                  - Memorial Scholarship: Antonio Upia, EE
                  - Richard E. Garman Undergraduate Scholarship:

Chemical and Biological Engineering Academic Excellence Awards: (All ChemE)
- Karl Barber
- James Dodd
- Luke Fusco
- Shaun Setlock
- Shihe Zeng

Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering Chair’s Graduate and Undergraduate Recognition Awards: (Both CivE)
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(All CivE)
- Eric Culver
- Duygu Doyrangol
- David Farnham
- Laura Grassi
- Yachen Liao
- Michelle Melker
- Emily Nuding
- Ryan O’Mara
- Nicholas Stalnacker
- Aaron Thompson
- Can Koray Yildirim
- Lester (MS ’64, PhD. ’69 EE) and Karen Gerhardt Dean’s Scholarship: (Both EE)
- Jonathan Grimaldi
- Dustin Muscato
- Robert H. (BS ME ’51) and Catherine H. Goldsmith Fellowship: (for the BS/MEng fifth-year)
- Ebunoluwa A. Ayandele, ChemE
- David Clarke, CivE
- Robert Finton, EE
- Eric Gande, MAE
- Graduate Dean’s Scholars: Vikram R. Ardham
- ChemE
- Michael Couche, IE
- Mark DeMarie
- Robert Finton, EE
- Mohammad Ghasemi
- ChemE
- William Hughes, IE
- Manish Kumar, CivE
- Meng Liu, CS
- Yangwei Liu
- CSE
- Michael Mercurio, MAE
- Daniel P. Snitzer, MAE
- Graduate School Ambassador Award:
  - Chandrakant Bolisetti, CivE
  - Martin Diz, MAE
  - Ankur Jalajia, ChemE
  - Prema Gera, MAE
  - Pei Quan, IE
  - Ziyun Huang
  - Xin Liu, ChemE
  - Armin Masroor, CivE
  - Nandini Mondal
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Matthew R. Grappone (BS AE ’92, BS ME ’97) Book Awards:
- Cihan Cemaloglu, CivE
- Derek Drass, CivE
- Christopher Fritz, CompE
- Courtney Kodweis, BME
- Elizabeth Newell, IE
- Damian Ogbonna, CompE
- Daniel Patrick Rider, EE
- Devin Toth, CompE
- Brett Warthling, CivE
- Matthew R. Grappone Memorial Scholarship:
  - Jennifer L. Chen, IE
  - Isaac Elbaz, CS
  - Joseph M. Keating, MAE
  - Eric Niedermeier, MAE
  - Hung Phan, IE
- Professor William R. Greiner Engineering Scholarship: Raheeb Kased, CivE
- The IEEE Power and Energy Society: (All EE)
  - Michael D’Angelo (and CompE)
- Luke Darling, William Dell’Anno, Ian Farneth
- International Society of Automation Award:
  - Daniel Reilly, MAE
- Karwan/Thomas Industrial Engineering Undergraduate Scholarship: (All IE)
  - May Gin Cheung, Jonathan Patrick MacAdam
  - Elizabeth Ann Newell
- Robert B. Kleinschmidt Memorial Scholarship:
  - (Both BME)
  - Laura Marron, Kerry Poppenberg
  - Paul J. Koessler Memorial Scholarship:
    - Shawn J. Evisztor, CivE
    - Yong H. Lee (BS AE ’81) Scholarship:
      - John W. Vinti, MAE
      - James W. (BS IE ’50) and Nancy A. McLernon

CS and CompE awardees with faculty

EE awardees with faculty
Engineering Scholarship: Steven Brown, ChemE; Marie Catalano, IE; May Cheung, IE; Michael D’angelo, CompE/EE; Sean Frier, IE; Thomas Heyden, MAE; Nikolai Jain, CompE; Wembley Leach, CS; Phil Odonkor, MAE; Umit Oksoz, CivE; Peter Oldani, BME; Sheldon Ooi, CS; Viral Patel, EE; Michelle Reele, ChemE; Lauren Stutzman, ChemE; Shihe Zeng, ChemE
Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Award: Aziz Michel Naim, MAE
Lawrence and Amanda Megan Scholarship: Bich Vu, CompE
Dean Paul E. Mohn Memorial Book Award, established by William G. Weppner (BS EE ’59): Joshua Feiler, EE
Moog Graduate Fellowship: Yen-Jen Chen, EE; John McGreevy, MAE
Beth Cheshire Moran Award: Bich Vu, CompE
S.P. Prawel Award: Timothy Lauber, CivE
Presidential Fellowships: Michael Couche, IE; Mark DeMarie, EE; Jesse Hartloff, CS; Ms Zhiqi He, ChemE
R. R. Rumer Award: Walter Kaniecki, CivE
Stephen B. Sample Honors Scholarship: Phillip Tucciarone, ChemE
George G. Schenk Scholarship: Eric Mikida, CS
Schomburg Fellowship: Yen Jen Chen, EE; Ashley Guerrette, ChemE; Charles Jones, ChemE; David LaVergne, IE; Shuen-Shiuan Wang, ChemE
Senior Scholar Awards:
Applied Sciences Group: (Both CSE) James Dobler, Sanjiban Kundu
John W. Danforth Company: Joseph Diehl, CivE; Zhihao Liu, IE; John McGreevy, MAE; Joshua Weissberger, MAE
UB Engineering: Qinlin Chen, CompE; Mary Gin Cheung, IE; Shawn J. Evilsizer, CivE; Joseph Flannery, EE; David Goldstein, CivE; Jorge Mok, ChemE; Thao Nguyen, ChemE; Michelle Reele, ChemE; Jingqi Sui, CivE
Irving H. Shames Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award: Manish Kumar, CivE
SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor Irving H. Shames Memorial Scholarship: Jimmy Lam, MAE
Naida Irizarry Shaw and Max Kay Scholarship: (All CSE) Stacey Askey, Maxwell Boamah, Elvis Castelino, George Pineda
R. P. Shaw Award: Benjamin Nichols, CivE
Silent Hoist and Crane Materials Handling Prize: (All IE): Maria Bejarano-Rodriguez, May Cheung, Zhihao Liu
Felix Smist Scholarship, established by Mary and James Smist (BS ’80 ChemE) Smist: Donald Besecker, EE; Christina Bieber, ChemE; William Bieler, ChemE; Stephen Briggs, MAE; Kenneth Dawley, MAE; Leana DeSouza, AE; Anthony Grisafi, CS; Daniel Kromphardt, MAE; Christina Pinzone, MAE; Rachel Styn, EE; Charles Tabone, MAE
Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Joseph Markle Dinner #4 Committee Award: Dustin Muscato, EE
Frederick Thomas Award: (All IE): Marie J. Catalano, Hao Ting Chen; Jennifer Lai-Ting Chen, Jenna Mae Swarthout
United Illuminating (UI) Company Scholarship: William Schubert, EE
Watts Engineering and Architecture Minority Scholarship: Mariano Hernandez, ME
Thomas G. Wilde (BS IE ’80) Family Scholarship: (All IE): Matthew Christian Brondon, Emily Rachel Landesberg, Zhihao Liu, Christine Marie Lundahl, Hung Duc Phan
Xerox/SHPE Scholarship Award: Maria Jose Barrera, CivE; Laura Brown, BME; Alvaro Giron, CivE; William Janiak, ME; Daniel Perez, ME; Edward Poon, CompE; Abhiram Rao, BME/ME; Julio Valenzuela Roca, ChemE; Benjamin Shaw, ME; Darwin Yip, CompE