

**Rutgers University–Camden
Arts and Sciences Honors Convocation Student Awards
2011 Student Award Recipients**

Alumni Association Awards

Amanda O’Keefe	The Edward J. Bloustein Community Service Award is presented to the student who best exemplifies the selflessness, public conscience, and dedication to community that were the hallmarks of the life of Dr. Bloustein, the late president of Rutgers University.
Robin England William Labbree	The Rutgers University-Camden Alumni Association Outstanding Senior Award is presented to the graduating students who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and service to the campus.
Monica Moran	The Rutgers University-Camden Alumni Association Outstanding Adult Senior Award is presented to the graduating adult student who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and service to the campus.
Erica Ballard	The Rutgers University-Camden Alumni Association Writing Award is presented to the student who has demonstrated significant achievement in creative writing.
Reginald Richter	The Rutgers University-Camden Alumni Association Nursing Program Award is presented to a graduating student majoring in nursing for support of the program and outstanding student leadership.

Student Affairs Awards

Timothy VanLiew	The Tommaso A. Borda Memorial Award, in memory of Tommaso A. Borda, recognized campus leader and athlete, Class of 1983, is presented to a junior on the basis of outstanding contributions to campus activities, athletics, academics, and community service.
Darlene Hemerka	The James M. Gaffney Memorial Award, honoring Jim Gaffney, a student life counselor from 1976 to 1992, is presented to a student who has achieved success in spite of a disability.
Katherine Sampson	The Rory “Cal” Maradonna Award is presented to a full-time student who has demonstrated considerable involvement on the Camden campus and who has been dedicated to promoting Rutgers-Camden.

Academic Awards

George Andersen	The Arthur E. Armitage Award, given by Alpha Sigma Lambda, Gamma Xi Chapter, in honor of the founder of the evening college at Camden, to that society member whose academic record has evidenced the highest achievement among candidates for degrees.
James Davis	The Athenaeum Honor Society Award is presented for distinguished academic

John Kuchmek Denise Weintraut	achievement to the society members whose academic records have shown the highest achievement among candidates for degrees.
Robin England	The Faculty Award is presented for distinguished service in the achievement of education at the Camden campus.
Meliha Arnautovic Taylor Bailey Brandon Borrelli Marissa Ionno Michelle Vizzi	The Honors College Award is presented for outstanding performance in an Honors Seminar.
Vanessa Reyes	The William Smith Memorial Award is presented to a junior or senior student selected by the Educational Opportunity Fund Program based on academic progress and significant contribution to the college and/or urban community.

Undergraduate Research Awards

The Dean's Undergraduate Research Prize recognizes the outstanding research conducted by students with the distinguished Rutgers-Camden faculty.

- **Tyson Hartwig, for his project Voting on Team Compensation Schemes, conducted with Dr. John Smith of the Department of Economics.**
- **Richard Jimenez, for his project Atomic Force Microscopy of Thin Films and Novel Surfaces, conducted with Dr. Daniel Bubb of the Department of Physics.**
- **David Luor, for his project Diversification in pattern formation of Chorion proteins in Drosophila species, conducted with Dr. Nir Yakoby of the Department of Biology.**

Community Service Award

Amber Chmura David Jarow	The Catherine Watson Award for Service to Children recognizes outstanding graduating seniors for their commitment and dedication to improving the lives of children in the city of Camden through their service at the Rutgers Center for Children and Childhood Studies.
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Departmental Awards

<i>African American Studies</i>	
Amir Ayres Sarah Brookover	The African American Studies Major Award is presented to students who have made a significant contribution to the program.
<i>Biology</i>	
Jessica Shoukry	The Drs. Owen and Ronald Rahman Award is presented to a senior who has demonstrated outstanding performance in the biology major.
Mariel Scheinberg	The Gerald S. Weissman Memorial Prize in Biology is presented to an outstanding student who has demonstrated the ability to perform independent research in biology.

<i>Chemistry</i>	
Eric Hernandez	The American Chemical Society Award, Philadelphia Section, is presented to an outstanding senior majoring in chemistry.
Morgan Goldberg	The American Institute of Chemistry Award is presented to a senior who demonstrates ability, character, and leadership, and the potential for advancement in the profession.
Jason Cargill	The Drs. Owen and Ronald Rahman Award is presented to a senior who has demonstrated outstanding performance in the chemistry major.
<i>Childhood Studies</i>	
Stephanie Seay	The Childhood Studies Outstanding Graduating Senior Award is presented to a major who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in childhood studies and community and/or departmental service.
<i>Computer Science</i>	
Joseph Vessella	The Computer Science Academic Achievement Award is presented to a senior who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance in computer science.
<i>Economics</i>	
Sheyla Ayala-Mantilla Robin England Tyson Hartwig John Lindemon	The Economics Department Award is presented to the students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement as economics majors.
<i>English</i>	
Kelsey McIntyre	The Ralph Bergen Allen Prize is presented to the freshman who has, in the opinion of those who teach the course, demonstrated excellence in composition.
Wendy Camerieri	The English Department Prize is presented to an outstanding English major graduating from the Camden College of Arts and Sciences.
Jill Brown	The Dr. Louis Forman Humanities Award is presented to an undergraduate student who has demonstrated outstanding ability in the humanities.
Denise Weintraut	The Betty Harris Jones English Department Award, given in memory of Betty Harris Jones, Assistant Professor of English at Rutgers-Camden, is presented to a graduating senior English major likely to make significant contributions in teaching and scholarship.
Sean Norris	The John C. Wentz Memorial Prize is presented to the student who wrote the best paper in an upperdivision English course during the previous calendar year.
<i>Fine Arts</i>	
Erin Gartland Christina Welsch	The Martin Dillon Memorial Award is presented to students who have demonstrated excellence in the arts.
Danielle Polonczyk	The Excellence in Art History Award is presented to the student who has demonstrated a thorough understanding of the basic principles of art history and who shows promise of outstanding research.
Kyle Payne	The Fine Arts Service Award is presented to the student who has demonstrated excellence in the arts as well as dedication and service to the student body through the Art Student's League, the Department of Fine Arts, and the campus.
Miranda Powell	The John J. Giannotti Award, which honors Professor Giannotti, a former professor of art at Rutgers-Camden, is presented to the student who has demonstrated excellence in visual arts.
Deborah Bolton	The William M. Hoffman, Jr. Award for Excellence in Drawing and Painting is

	presented to the student who has demonstrated excellence in drawing and painting.
Alexandria DeCastro Christiana Higgins Monica Moran	The Stedman Art Award is presented for outstanding achievement in visual arts.
John McGonigle	The Mary Jane Kelleher Wille Memorial Prize in Visual Arts is presented for outstanding artistic and academic achievement in painting.
<i>Foreign Languages</i>	
Angelica Torres	The French Prize is presented to the most promising student in French language and literature.
Tanya Clinton Susan West	The Michele Muncy Academic Excellence Award is presented for outstanding performance in the Spanish major.
Courtney Schultz	The Petros Odabashian Award is presented to the most promising student in German language and literature.
<i>History</i>	
William Bartleson	The Edward McNall Burns Memorial Award is presented to the University College senior with the highest academic record in the field of history.
Jonathan Warren	The Dr. Louis Forman Humanities Award is presented to an undergraduate student who has demonstrated outstanding ability in the humanities.
Kelly Scott	The History Department Award is presented to the College of Arts and Sciences senior who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement as a history major.
<i>Liberal Studies</i>	
Rachel Hansen	The Undergraduate Liberal Studies Award is presented to the student who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in the program.
<i>Mathematics</i>	
Olivia Murphy	The Career Motivation Award in Mathematics is presented to encourage and motivate a gifted undergraduate major who has shown early promise of exceptional scholarship in mathematics.
Daniel Jackson	The Mathematical Sciences Distinguished Service Award is presented to the student who has given outstanding service in the advancement of mathematics education.
Donald Adams	The Mathematical Sciences Scholarship Award is presented to a student who excels academically in mathematics.
<i>Nursing</i>	
Laura Lienemann	The Academic Achievement Award in Nursing is presented to a student who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement.
Bianca Csapo Huong Dinh Tasha Herbert	The Tony Mickelson Memorial Award is presented to the nursing students who have exhibited kindness, compassion, and gentleness in their treatment of patients.
Michelle Tomaszewski	The New Jersey League for Nursing Honorary Membership Award is presented to a student who has done outstanding community service.
Jessica Hober	The New Jersey State Nursing Association Constituency #5 Leadership Award is presented to the graduating nursing student who is active in promoting professional nursing.
Sarah McGlinn	The Sigma Theta Tau Academic Achievement Award is presented to the student who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in nursing.

Bailey DiTullio	The Sigma Theta Tau Best All-Around Student Award is presented to the nursing student who has continually demonstrated excellence in the classroom and involvement in college activities.
Gail Barranger Cynthia Myers	The Sigma Theta Tau RN-BSN Student Academic Achievement Award is presented to the RN-BSN students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in nursing.
<i>Philosophy and Religion</i>	
Melissa Aaronberg Benjamin Rathbone	The Sybil S. Cohen Philosophy Award is presented to the student who has demonstrated excellence in philosophy.
Vincent Dugan	The Howard Morris Stuckert Memorial Award is presented to the student who has shown the greatest insight into the nature and value of philosophy.
Erin Daly Sarah Temel	The Hugh White Memorial Award honors the memory of Professor White and is presented for outstanding performance in the study of religion.
<i>Physics</i>	
Richard Jimenez John Kuchmek	The Physics Department Award is presented to the students who have demonstrated outstanding undergraduate research in physics laboratories.
<i>Political Science</i>	
Jenna Cantarella	The Robert D. Packard Memorial Award, in memory of Robert D. Packard, Class of 1976, is presented to a graduating senior majoring in political science, for academic performance and service. The following Jack Marvin Weiner Memorial Awards honor Mr. Weiner, who graduated in 1955 from Rutgers-Camden as a political science major and also completed his law degree here in 1958:
John Neckonchuk	For the highest overall average among political science graduates.
Kyle Weber	For general academic excellence by a political science graduate.
Darlene Hemerka William Wilson	For outstanding performance by junior political science students.
<i>Psychology</i>	
Tiffanie Crowder Stephanie LeConey	The Charles Kaden Memorial Award is presented to non-traditional seniors whose progress in the field of psychology warrants special recognition.
Jordan Barger Caitlin Ellis	The Psychology Department Award is presented to Camden College of Arts and Sciences senior psychology majors for outstanding scholastic achievement.
Claire Bogan Jeffrey Kates	The Psychology Department Award for Public Service is given to graduating psychology majors who combine academic excellence with work that promotes psychology in the public interest.
<i>Social Work</i>	
Marlene Anderson	The Dean's Recognition Award for Excellence in Baccalaureate Social Work Education is presented to a student for outstanding scholarship, superb field evaluation, and commitment to issues of social reform.
Toni Gramigna	The Brian C. Wright Social Work Award is presented to an undergraduate social work major for commitment to social work values and ethics.
<i>Sociology, Anthropology, and Criminal Justice</i>	
Dustin Dariano Phillip Leone	The George Masterton Award in Criminal Justice is presented to students for academic achievement, intellectual promise, and significant contributions to the University and larger communities.
Tamiko Cornish	The George Masterton Award in Sociology is presented to a student for academic achievement, intellectual promise, and significant contributions to the University

and larger communities.

Teacher Preparation Program

Elissa Mannion The Distinguished Elementary School Candidate Award is presented to the student teacher who has demonstrated outstanding ability for elementary school teaching.

Denise Weintraut The Nancy Higginson Dorr Award is presented to a student teacher who has demonstrated excellence in secondary school teaching.

Women's and Gender Studies

Kelly Scott The Women's and Gender Studies Award is presented to the student who has demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in the program.