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CLASS OF  
**2020**

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VIRTUAL SENIOR  
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# STUDENT ACADEMIC AWARDS:

## The Alton Dennis Law Award for Excellence in Economics

Established in 2011 to honor Dr. Alton Dennis Law, who taught at McDaniel College for 34 years, including 22 years as Chairman of the Economics and Business Administration Department. The award is presented annually to the senior who, in the judgment of the Economics and Business Administration faculty, has achieved the best overall academic performance and did it “Al Law’s way”—with integrity, hard work, and love of economics.

## The Dr. Mary Ellen Elwell Distinguished Social Work Award

Established in 2010 by Dr. Mary Ellen Elwell, Class of 1950, and McDaniel faculty member from 1969 to 1986. The award is presented annually to the graduating senior social work major who, through academic achievement, performance in their senior field placement, and community service, best exemplifies the values of the social work profession.

## The Vox Magna Clara (A Strong Clear Voice) Award

Established in 2007 by the Dundes family to recognize a senior in sociology who notably demonstrates enthusiasm for the discipline and the potential for tackling social problems through leadership and community involvement.

## The Maria Leonard Senior Book Award

Established at McDaniel College in 2003 by the National Alpha Lambda Delta Society, the first-year students honor society, in honor of its founder, Maria Leonard. The award is a book presented to the graduating member of Alpha Lambda Delta who has the highest cumulative average. This year’s senior book award is *If I Could Tell You Just One Thing* by Richard Reed.

## The McLuhan Award for Excellence in Communication

Established in 2000 by Richard W. Dillman, McDaniel faculty member from 1981 to 2001, in honor of Marshall McLuhan, the inventor of modern mass communication theory. This award is presented annually to the graduating senior communication major who has achieved the best record in the study of communication history and theory.

## The Richard A. Clower Award for Excellence in Kinesiology

Established in 1999 to honor Dr. Richard A. Clower who served the college for over 40 years as head of the kinesiology department (formerly exercise science and physical education) and also as director of athletics. This award is presented annually to the kinesiology major who has achieved the best academic record and has exhibited the traits of scholarship, leadership, compassion, and service for which Dr. Clower is known.

### The Richard H. Smith, Jr. Award for Excellence in Chemistry or Biochemistry

Established in 1998 by professor of chemistry Dr. Richard H. Smith Jr., his family, friends, and former students. This award is made to a graduating senior chemistry or biochemistry major who demonstrates academic distinction and enthusiasm for liberal learning as well as excellence in scientific research.

### The Robert Joseph Weber Award for Excellence in Political Science and International Studies

Established in 1997 by Dr. Robert J. Weber, professor of political science and international studies from 1969 to 1998 and department chair from 1982 to 1998. This award is made to a graduating senior who demonstrates academic distinction in the field of political science and/or international studies and who is involved in on- and/or off-campus activities, and who contributes to the College community.

### The Class of 1938 Award for Excellence in Music

Established in 1993 through the generosity of the members and friends of the Class of 1938 in celebration of their Fifty-fifth Reunion. This award goes to outstanding students in music.

### The Dr. Reuben Holthaus Award in Philosophy

Established in 1991 in honor of Dr. Reuben S. Holthaus, professor of philosophy from 1946 to 1976. The award recognizes an outstanding senior majoring in philosophy. The student must have maintained at least an overall 3.0 GPA throughout their undergraduate academic career.

### The Frank and Margaret Malone Award for Excellence in a Foreign Language

Established in 1987 by Col. W. Frank Malone, Class of 1938, in memory of his wife, Margaret C. Malone. The award is made each year to that senior who has demonstrated the highest level of excellence in a foreign language.

### The Malcolm L. Meltzer Psychology Award

Established in 1987 by the Meltzer family in memory of and in tribute to Dr. Malcolm L. Meltzer, Class of 1951. The award is made each year to the graduating senior who has majored in psychology, has the highest overall GPA, and has been accepted by, and is planning to attend, an accredited graduate school in psychology.

### The Michael and Polly Beaver Award for Excellence in Education

Established in 1985 by the family, colleagues, students, and friends of Michael and Polly (Grayson) Beaver, Class of 1979, as a lasting memorial of their lives and their impact on education. The recipient, selected by the education department, is a graduating senior focused on elementary or secondary education and someone who has had a distinguished college career as reflected in his/her scholarship and contributions to life both on- and off-campus.

### The David Brian Cross Memorial Award for Achievement in Mathematics

Established in 1983 in memory of Davey Cross, Class of 1981, whose academic achievements serve as a model of excellence. The award is based on performance in the William Lowell Putnam Mathematical Competition.

### The Makosky Award for Excellence in English

Established in 1981 by the members of the English department to honor Dr. John D. Makosky, dean of faculty (1949-1969, 1971-1973) and professor of English (1934-1973). This award is given each year to an outstanding graduating senior.

### The Philip and Azalea Myers Award for Creativity in English

Established in 1979 by Philip Myers in memory of his wife, Azalea (Sally) Myers, Class of 1914. It is awarded to an outstanding senior in the English department.

### The Eloise B. and Lowell S. Ensor Award for Graduate or Professional Study

Established in 1975 by family and friends to honor Dr. and Mrs. Ensor in recognition of their many years of service and dedication to the College. Dr. Ensor was President from 1947 to 1972. The award is presented annually to that member of the graduating class whose excellence while at the College, based on scholarship, character, and contributions to the life of the College, best predicts success in attaining a graduate or professional degree.

### The Phi Delta Gamma Award

Established in 1974 by the Psi Chapter of Phi Delta Gamma, a national fraternal organization for graduate students. The McDaniel chapter makes an annual award to a member of the graduating class to encourage graduate study.

### The M. Louise Shipley Art Award of Excellence

Established in 1973 by Wasyl Palijczuk, professor of art (1967-2003), in recognition of M. Louise Shipley's 34 years of teaching (1938-1972) in the department and her leadership as chairman for many years. The award is given to the outstanding graduating senior art major.

### The H. P. Sturdivant Biology Award

Established in 1973 at the retirement of Dr. Harwell P. Sturdivant as chairman of the biology department for 25 years. The award goes to the senior biology major who displays the following qualities: academic excellence, dedication to the liberal arts, philosophy, and unselfish service.

### The Esther Smith Award

Established in 1971 by Mary (Dodd) and Ira Zepp. The award is given annually to a graduating senior who during four years at the College has displayed a high degree of creativity in the arts (drama, music, or art) and who also is respected by both faculty and students for their contribution to the human welfare of the College. This combination of qualities was uniquely characteristic of Esther Smith and endeared her to the entire College community during her 44 years (1926-1970) as a member of the dramatic art department.

### The Dr. Clyde A. Spicer Award

Established by Kappa Mu Epsilon in 1969 and endowed by the family, colleagues, former students, and friends of Dr. Spicer as a living memorial of his 40 years (1929-1969) of dedicated service to the College and to the mathematics program. This award is given annually to the outstanding graduating senior in mathematics.

### The Hugh Barnette Speir, Jr. Prize

Established in 1964 by the parents of Hugh Barnette Speir, Jr., Class of 1945, who was killed in World War II while serving with the armed forces in Germany. The award is given to the student showing the greatest excellence in European history.

### The H. Peyton Gorsuch History Award

Established in 1955 through a bequest of H. Peyton Gorsuch. The award is given to a student excelling in United States history.

## The Edith Farr Ridington Writing Award

Established by the College's Phi Beta Kappa Chapter in 1990 to honor Edith Farr Ridington, long-time member of the faculty and charter member and historian of the Delta of Maryland Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. The award goes to a senior whose paper, written in consideration for honors in a major field, is judged to be the best of those submitted by the various departments.

## The Argonaut Award

Established in 1971 and awarded to the graduating senior with the highest grade point average in the class. It was originally given by the Argonaut Society, founded in 1935 to honor the College's most accomplished students. Although the Society last inducted members in 1979, the year that the College obtained its Phi Beta Kappa Chapter, its memory has been retained by the continued inclusion of the Argonaut Award in the Commencement Ceremony.

## GROUPS:

### Phi Beta Kappa

Founded in 1776, Phi Beta Kappa is the nation's oldest academic honor society. The society celebrates and advocates excellence in the liberal arts and sciences. Invitation to membership in Phi Beta Kappa is a reflection of outstanding achievement. McDaniel is one of 286 colleges and universities with a chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa. The Delta of Maryland Chapter at McDaniel College was established in 1980.

#### **CLASS OF 2020**

##### ***Inducted as Juniors***

Marisol Angelica Barrera  
Lauren Elise Beckjord  
Nicolette Louise Brookman

##### ***Inducted as Seniors***

Sydney A. Anselme  
Colleen Faye Clark  
Jade Olivia Enright  
Angelina Gill  
Brenna Madalynn Gutshall  
Randall William Hilleary  
Kaylee Ann Holliger  
Cooper Allen Hostetler  
Marya Vladimirovna Kuratova

Erika Maxine Lewis  
Samantha Rachel Long  
Devon Alexander Maranto  
Nathan Ryan Miller  
Anna Claire Mondoro  
Grayson Christopher Myers  
J.E.B. Stuart Nicholas Myers  
Connor Douglas Norton  
Kelly Anne Novak  
Erin Marie Pogue  
Laurel Ann Pogue  
Andrew Thomas Pyne  
Hannah Susan Ravenscroft  
Meghan Nicole Sadler  
Ariana Claire Dereschuk Schneider  
Jill Catherine Shephard  
Eric W. Von Bergen IV



## Dorsey Scholars

The Dorsey Scholars program is the most prestigious scholarship competition at McDaniel College. These comprehensive scholarships are awarded to exceptional students who are especially motivated to build successful lives of leadership, service and social responsibility. The scholarships are funded by a bequest from the estate of Class of 1891 alumnus Philip Henry Dorsey of St. Clements Bay, Md.

### **CLASS OF 2020**

Justin Thach Arter  
Veronica Grace Johns  
Ariana Claire Dereschuk Schneider

## College Scholars

During their four years, students in McDaniel College's Honors Program take five specially-designed courses and seminars, along with three special elective courses or experiences, complete a senior project, and participate in cultural activities and community service. They also must maintain a minimum 3.5 grade point average. Upon completion of McDaniel College's Honors Program, students are officially named College Scholars and this honor is noted on their transcript.

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Emily Rose Gilbert  
Brenna Madalynn Gutshall  
Megan Hope Henderson  
Randall William Hilleary  
Katie Lynn Holland  
Kaylee Ann Holliger  
Veronica Grace Johns  
Frank Michael Kratovil III  
Samantha Rachel Long  
Quinn William McGinnes  
Grayson Christopher Myers  
Connor Douglas Norton  
Kelly Anne Novak  
Erin Marie Pogue  
Laurel Ann Pogue  
Courtney Lynne Rosenstiehl

Meghan Nicole Sadler  
Ariana Claire Dereschuk Schneider  
Jill Catherine Shephard  
Eric W. Von Bergen IV  
Cari Lee Witherow  
Nathan J. Wright

## Global Fellows

The Global Fellows program at McDaniel College is designed to enhance students' understanding of global issues, develop heightened intercultural competency and cultivate the skills and attitudes important to leading successful lives in a global context. Students are selected into the program as freshmen and those who complete it earn a Global Fellow designation on their transcript.

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Daniela Anastasia Yacobucci Lapaitis

ACTIVITY AND LEADERSHIP

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# ACTIVITY AND LEADERSHIP AWARDS:

## The Michael J. Marks '13 Memorial Award

Established in 2014 by family, friends, and teammates in memory of Mike Marks, a cum laude graduate of the Class of 2013, Political Science and International Studies major with a minor in French and 4-year starter and 2-year captain on the men's lacrosse team. The award is presented to a graduating senior who has been a member of the lacrosse team for at least two years and has exhibited some of Mike's traits of academic excellence, leadership, competitive spirit, volunteerism and a strong work ethic.

## The Elizabeth Lintz Burkhardt Memorial Service Award

Established in 1993 in loving memory of Libby Burkhardt, Class of 1938, by a devoted family. The award recognizes an outstanding senior who has demonstrated exceptional and persistent giving of time and service to others within the College and to the community at large.

## The Steve Robert Wilson Memorial Award

Established in 1986 by the alumni fraternity brothers, family, and friends as a living tribute to Steve R. Wilson, Class of 1975, a dedicated member of the track and field team during his four years at the College. The award is made each year to two seniors with the most outstanding record in track and field.

## The Western Maryland Norman E. Sartorius Gift and Citation

Established in 1982 by the will of Dr. Norman E. Sartorius, Class of 1900. It is awarded every other year to a student who has contributed the most toward the moral and spiritual uplift of the College student body.

## The Charles W. Havens Award

Established in 1981 in honor of Charles W. Havens, Class of 1930, by the 1951 undefeated football team. It is presented to a graduating senior who has participated in intercollegiate athletics and has shown by word and deed the attributes of charity, altruism, benevolence, and a humane and compassionate concern for his fellow man.

## The Michael L. Waghelstein Memorial Award

Established in 1970 by the family, classmates, and friends of Captain Michael L. Waghelstein, Class of 1967. It is awarded to that member of the graduating class who has demonstrated to the greatest extent the following attributes evidenced by Capt. Waghelstein during his students days and as a regular Army officer: military proficiency and leadership potential; athletic ability; sincerity; zest for living; and loyalty to country, college, and friends.

### The Alumni Citizenship Awards

Established in 1952. The awards are given to a senior man and woman who have displayed a steady loyalty to classmates and the College through active participation in campus life and contributions to the betterment of McDaniel College.

### The Lynn F. Gruber Medal

Endowed in 1925 by the Black and White Club (now the Phi Delta Theta fraternity) as a memorial to Lynn F. Gruber, Class of 1926, who was a varsity athlete and a leader in several campus organizations. It is awarded for proficiency in extracurricular activities.

### The Dr. H. Samuel Case '63 Senior Scholar Athlete Award

Established in 2014 by his family as a living tribute to Dr. Case, Class of 1963, a dedicated member of the College community for over forty years. This award is made each year to the senior man and senior woman with the most outstanding academic record and who has been a significant member of the Green Terror athletics program.

### The Faith Millard/Dr. Carol Fritz Medal

Established in 1988 and named for Faith Millard who joined the faculty in 1920 as the first Director of Physical Culture for Women. It was endowed in 2012 by Dr. Carol Fritz, Professor of Exercise Science and Physical Education from 1967 to 2007. The medal is presented to the senior woman with the best record in women's athletics.

### The John A. Alexander Medal

Endowed in 1920 by the Class of 1917 in memory of classmate John A. Alexander, who died in World War I. It is awarded to the male member of the graduating class with the best record in athletics.

### The Mary Ward Lewis Prize

Established in 1920 by the Browning Literary Society in honor of the wife of the second president of the College. It is awarded to the woman of the graduating class who has made the best record during her undergraduate course.

### The Bates Prize

Established in 1905 in memory of The Rev. Laurence Webster Bates, D.D. It is awarded to the member of the graduating class who has made the best record during the undergraduate course as a college man.

## GROUPS:

### Omicron Delta Kappa

Omicron Delta Kappa, a national leadership honor society, was installed at the College in 1963. Membership in the society is a high honor, for it carries with it the responsibility of encouraging students in leadership and community service. Juniors and Seniors who stand in the upper 35 percent of their classes are eligible and selected on the basis of exceptional leadership in various aspects of campus life.

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### Trumpeters

Trumpeters is a leadership honor society that recognizes exemplary qualities of leadership, integrity, and sincerity. Those selected are called to serve as positive examples of the campus by devoting themselves to academics, extracurricular activities, and service. Students may apply for membership in the spring semester of their junior year.

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Rachel Ann Fox  
Erin Marie Pogue  
Laurel Ann Pogue  
Jahnai' Imani Sands  
Onesha Novena Smith  
Alyssa Dana Swartz  
Cari Lee Witherow

## The Edge Experience Program

The Edge Experience Program was established by the Office of Diversity and Inclusion during the summer of 2016 to assist students with their academic and social transition to McDaniel College. Students from Baltimore City Public Schools were invited to campus for a one-day immersion experience about student life at McDaniel. These students then served as Program Mentors for the classes of first-year students that followed them.

### ***The following were the first participants in the Edge Experience Program:***

Kendall Delaney Harnsberger  
Treyana Tyshell Cecelia Johnson  
My'yah Mitchell  
Onesha Novena Smith  
Domoniece Tonita Taylor  
Caleb Le'Roy White  
Briona Charmaine Williams

## Green Terror Battalion Army ROTC Commissioning

Army ROTC has been a tradition at the College since 1919, and the Green Terror Battalion is one of the oldest ROTC programs in the nation. McDaniel has consistently been recognized among Military Friendly Schools and the college's Military Legacy Scholarship guarantees up to \$100,000 over four years to all military veterans, active-duty military personnel and their children. McDaniel also participates in the Post-9/11 GI Bill and Yellow Ribbon Program.

### ***The following cadets were commissioned as Second Lieutenants during a May 22 ceremony:***

André Alexander Berry  
William Frederick Bower  
Joseph Bigott  
Ethan David Cortes  
Grace Elyse Gnatowski  
Carson S. Marshall  
Andrew Jordan Murphy  
Cross Okereke  
Caleb Le'Roy White