ANNUAL ACADEMIC AWARDS CEREMONY
Wednesday, April 18, 2018
3:00 p.m. • Student Union Building Ballroom
Reception: 2:30–3:00 p.m. • Ceremony: 3:00–4:00 p.m.
College of Behavioral and Health Sciences
Annual Academic Awards Ceremony

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Follow-up Reception: 4:00–4:30 p.m.
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Greetings.........................................................................................................Dr. Harold D. Whiteside
Dean, College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Master of Ceremonies..................................................................................Dr. Barbara Turnage
Interim Associate Dean, College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Presentation of Awards ........................................ Department Representatives and Scholarship Donors

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2018 Senior Honor Students
(scholastic average 3.75–4.0)

Criminal Justice Administration .................................. Presented by Dr. Lance Selva, Interim Department Chair
William Badger Zachariah Espino Montana Ortiz Jessica Smith
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Health and Human Performance ......................... Presented by Dr. Doug Winborn, Interim Department Chair
Agnes Abu Lisa Courtney Tyler Holcombe Rachel Mathis
Angela Adams Alexa Crum Bethany Jacobs Alicia McGuire
Paul Anum Brooke Culver Gregory Johnson Christopher Polk
Briar Atkins Abigail Davis Mariah Johnson Christian Redd
Haley Ballone Savannah Decker Cassie Kennedy James Richie
Hannah Berthelson Jacqueline Evans Josh King William Skinner
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Samantha Blankenship Alyssa Farris Corey Lawson Marlee Stephens
Casey Brinegar Marcus Floyd Tiffany Long Cory Thacker
Jalyn Brooks Natalie Fouls Nathaniel Loveday Katherine Tuveron
Dakota Brown Samantha Gotcher Yenni Martinez Jonathan Ullrich
Hollie Campbell Haley Greene Bailey Mason Christine Vanbuskirk
Tiffani Colvin Mallory Hardy Alyssa Mathis Haley Wainwright

Human Sciences ................................................................. Presented by Ms. Deborah Belcher, Department Chair
Rodra Allen Elizabeth Hardison Lauren Minster Alison Taylor
Krista Brown Arin Harwell Amelia Olmstead Imani Taylor
Kecia Caldwell Amber Hellstrom Andrew Potts Anna Thomas
Korissa Earls Savannah Hudson Ashley Rhoden Summer Thompson
Elizabeth Fite Lily Locke Nicholas Rush Emily Townsend Hall
Anna Flora Jessica Lovett Taylor Slay Maureen Toy
Jessica Fox Brittany Maxwell Deanna Smith Jacquelyn Cassidy Uptmor
Jenny Franklin McKenzie McKnight Megan Swann Nicole Webb
Caitlin Gore Rebekah Miller Terysa Tandara Leah Wike
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Psychology
Presented by Dr. Greg Schmidt, Department Chair

Jameson Baldwin  Jonathan Elam  Jessica Jackson  Macie Musleman
Kathryn Baumann  Tatum England  Rhadijah Jones  Dhruvina Patel
Maeve Bleistein  Bethany Faust  Alexander Kah  Myra Pennington
Kriston Brannan  Hannah Gay  Mary Lester  Nathan Pirtle
Randi Bruce  Alyssa Gregory  Kelsey MacDonald  Laura Rankin
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Trenton Dillihay  Stacey Herndon  Rachel Hickman
Elizabeth Easter

Social Work
Presented by Dr. John Sanborn, Interim Department Chair

Latika Alexander  Gary Erickson  Bailee Murray  Fatima Sheriff
Nathaniel Allison  Michayla Firlotte  Myissha Pitts  Allison Tarpley
Tangeria Barreto  Christina Folger  Jasmine Reyes  Lekera Taylor
Sarah Bruce  Alexandra Gonzalez  Lee Rice  Kaitlyn Williford
Elisha Cox  Christine Kiser  Darlene Roa  Ashlyn Woods
Scholarships and Awards

Outstanding Faculty Award – Experiential Learning Scholars Program
Recipients: Dr. Michelle Boyer-Pennington, Professor, Department of Psychology
Dr. Benjamin Stickle, Assistant Professor, Department of Criminal Justice Administration
Presented by Dr. Harold D. Whiteside, Dean
College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Scholars Week Awards
Outstanding Poster Presentations
Presented by Dr. Thomas Brinthaupt, Professor, Department of Psychology

Undergraduate Students
First Prize........................................................................................................ Cindi Brown, Psychology
Using Linguistic Inquiry and Word Count to Examine Relationships between Personality and Writing Style

Second Prize................................................................................................. Janie Kullmar, Health and Human Performance
Word Learning in Authentic versus Explicit Contexts

Third Prize................................................................................................. Amanda Mason, Human Sciences
Joshua McCrary, Human Sciences
Suitability of Chicken, Broccoli, and Rice Casserole as a Menu Item for Public School Nutrition Programs

Graduate Students
(Tie) First Prize ......................................................................................... Willie Rajvong, Health and Human Performance
Tandra Gause, Health and Human Performance
Angela Bowman, Health and Human Performance
An Examination of the Relationship Between Diabetes and Risk Factors Including Diet, Physical Activity and Body Weight Among U.S. Adults

(Tie) First Prize ......................................................................................... Glory Okwori, Health and Human Performance
The Impact of the Affordable Care Act on Breast Cancer Mortality among African-American Women

Second Prize ................................................................................................. Sarah Murfree, Health and Human Performance
Garvita Thareja, Health and Human Performance
Predicting the Receipt of a Physician’s Recommendation for a Lifestyle Change

Third Prize ................................................................................................. Angela Bowman, Health and Human Performance
Tara Prairie, Health and Human Performance
Predicting Stigmatizing Attitudes Against Mental Illness Based on Mental Health Literacy
College of Behavioral and Health Science Scholarships

William and Peggy Harrell Scholarships ................. Elizabeth Dadzie, McKenzie Hosale, Parker Smyth
Presented by Dr. Barbara Turnage, Interim Associate Dean, College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Wright Travel Scholarship .......................................................... Andrea Vazquez
Presented by Ms. Brelinda Johnson, Advising Manager, College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

John D. Floyd Endowed Scholarships .......... Solomon Afful, Emily Hamby, Lane Spicer, Andrea Vazquez
Presented by Dr. Colby Jubenville, Director, CBHS Center for Student Coaching and Success

Departmental Scholarships

Criminal Justice Administration
Tennessee Juvenile Court Services Association Scholarship ................................... Savannah Starbuck
Presented by Ms. Elizabeth Osborne, Director of Marshall County Youth Services

RBJ Campbelle Jr. Scholarship ........................................................ Sierra Coffee
Presented by Dr. Lance Selva

Frank Lee Criminal Justice Scholarship .......................................... Keegan Hildner
Presented by Dr. Lance Selva

Dennis Powell Scholarship ............................................................ Parker Smythe
Presented by Dr. Lance Selva

Health and Human Performance
Bethany Kline Scholarship Fund .................................................... Alyssa Mathis
Presented by Mr. David Clark

Glen P. Reeder Honor Scholarship ................................................ Clara Foster
Presented by Mr. David Clark

Stanley Hall Memorial PE Scholarship ........................................ Rawsam S. Alasmar
Presented by Mr. David Clark

Buleah Davis Scholarship ......................................................... Rebecca Campbell
Presented by Dr. Tina Hall

Nancy Hill Robertson Scholarship .............................................. Rebekah Juergens
Presented by Dr. Nicky Wu and Dr. Sandra Stevens
Camellia Z. Saulsberry

Joe Moon Scholarship ............................................................... Casey Brinegar
Presented by Dr. Nicky Wu
Janice and David Arnold Scholarship.................................................................Hannah Spurlock
  *Presented by Dr. Rebecca Fischer*

Dr. Bertha Smith Clark Exemplary Student Award..............................................Lauren Pierce
  *Presented by Dr. Rebecca Fischer*

Dr. Kay Garrard Academic Leadership Award....................................................Alexis Gonzalez
  *Presented by Mrs. Elizabeth Smith*

Melanie Stacey Clinical Award ............................................................................Elizabeth Mason
  *Presented by Mrs. Elizabeth Smith*

Athletic Training Outstanding Major .................................................................Janzen Powell
  *Presented by Dr. Helen Binkley*

Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Outstanding Major .......................Natalie Foulks
  *Presented by Dr. Kathryn Blankenship*

Exercise Science Outstanding Major .................................................................Tiffany Long
  *Presented by Mr. David Clark*

Health Education Outstanding Major ...............................................................Haley Greene
  *Presented by Dr. Denise Bates*

Physical Education Outstanding Major .............................................................Kaila Carter
  *Presented by Dr. Tina Hall*

Leisure, Sport, and Tourism Studies Outstanding Major .................................Janet (J.J.) Salley
  *Presented by Dr. Nicky Wu*

Outstanding Masters Graduate Assistant .........................................................Christopher Brooks
  *Presented by Dr. Bev Clanton*

Outstanding Doctoral Graduate Assistant ........................................................Sarah Murfree
  *Presented by Dr. Bev Clanton*

**Human Sciences**

Albert and Ethel Carver Smith Scholarships ......................................................Kecia Caldwell, Lindsey Cherry, Melina Gutierrez Trujillo, Rebekah Miller
  *Presented by Dr. Janet Colson*
Roddy Memorial Scholarships
Presented by Dr. Elizabeth Smith
Melissa Austin
Jennifer Curtis
Charlotte Dickerson
Korissa Earls
Elizabeth Hardison
Mackenzie Harris

Margaret Putnam Scholarship
Presented by Ms. Deborah Belcher
Aisha Shaw

Rita Davenport Scholarship
Presented by Dr. Lauren Rudd
Rachel Woeltje

Ernestine Reeder Scholarship
Presented by Dr. Lauren Rudd
McKenzie Hosale

Lucy Dye Scholarship
Presented by Dr. Lauren Rudd
McKenzie Hosale

Adams Family Scholarship
Presented by Dr. Lauren Rudd
McKenna Stinnett

Outstanding Seniors in Child Development and Family Studies
Presented by Ms. Samantha Weir
Anahi Castillo
Victoryrea Dartis
Brittany Maxwell

Outstanding Senior in Interior Design
Presented by Ms. Deborah Belcher
Nicole Webb

MTSU Student Chapter ASID/IIDA Outstanding Senior
Presented by Ms. Deborah Belcher
Jessica Gary

Outstanding Senior in Nutrition and Food Science
Presented by Dr. Janet Colson
Emily Garren

Dellmar Walker Scholarship for Outstanding Dietetics Senior
Presented by Dr. Lisa Sheehan-Smith
Amanda Mason

Student Nutrition and Dietetic Association Outstanding Seniors
Presented by Dr. Lisa Sheehan-Smith
Rachel Jones
Joshua McCrary

Outstanding Senior in TXMD Apparel Design
Presented by Dr. Lauren Rudd
Meghan Routh
Outstanding Seniors in TXMD Fashion Merchandising ................................................ Charlotte Bunting
Presented by Dr. Lauren Rudd
Ashley Rhoden

Psychology
Outstanding Clinical Graduate Student ......................................................... Chung Kok Ping (Kenneth)
Presented by Dr. James C. Tate

Outstanding Experimental Psychology Graduate Student ......................... Brandon Bowers
Presented by Dr. Stuart Bernstein

Outstanding Quantitative Psychology Graduate Students ........................ Matthew Bell
Presented by Dr. Seth Marshall
Whitney Tate

Outstanding School Psychology Graduate Student ........................................ Delia Clemmons
Presented by Dr. Seth Marshall

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistants ................................................... Christina Green
Presented by Dr. Monica Wallace
Miranda Morris
Elliott Stocki

Elizabeth Wright Memorial Award ................................................................. Kristen Nelson Howton
Presented by Dr. James C. Tate

Larry W. Morris Outstanding Senior in Psychology ...................................... Macie Mussleman
Presented by Dr. James C. Tate

Robert E. Prytula Memorial Scholarship Outstanding Graduate Student in Psychology ........ Sydney Reichin
Presented by Dr. Patrick McCarthy

Willard A. Kerr Award of Excellence
Outstanding Seniors in Industrial/Organizational Psychology ..................... Troy Brannan
Presented by Dr. Patrick McCarthy
Macie Mussleman

Willard A. Kerr Award of Excellence
Outstanding Industrial/Organizational Psychology Graduate Students .......... Jessie McClure
Presented by Dr. Patrick McCarthy
Sydney Reichin

Beryl West Psi Chi Award ............................................................................. Alicia Bonnington
Presented by Dr. Tom Brinthaupt

Tyler A. Schultz Memorial Scholarship .......................................................... Macie Mussleman
Presented by Dr. Seth Marshall
Social Work
Marian Clark Scholarships (MSW) ................................................................. Brittany Bell
Rachelle Bennett
Simone Cawl
Kiara Davis
Abigail Feyka
Christine Kiser
Trudy McCabe
Lekera Taylor
Chel’ Lee Wilbourn

Dale Seime Scholarship ................................................................. Lekera Taylor
Presented by Dr. Margaret Seime

Nursing
The School of Nursing will hold their Graduation Recognition Ceremony on Friday, May 4, 2018.
The College of Behavioral and Health Sciences would like to extend our thanks to the following departments and personnel for their help with making this ceremony a success:

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