

# FOUNDERS DAY

2016



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# FOUNDERS DAY CONVOCATION

FEBRUARY 6, 2009, 10 A.M.

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PRELUDE

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PROCESSIONAL

Ohio Brass Quintet

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ADVANCEMENT OF THE COLORS

Ohio University Army and  
Air Force Reserve  
Officer Training Corps Cadet Color Guard

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CONVENING OF THE  
FOUNDERS DAY CONVOCATION

Kathy A. Krendl, Ph.D.,  
Executive Vice President  
and Provost

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THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Brad Huffman, Graduate Student,  
Vocal Performance

Arranged by Walter Damrosch

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WELCOME REMARKS

Dr. Krendl

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RECOGNITION OF  
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE  
AND STUDENT SCHOLARS

Harold Molineu, Ph.D., Interim Dean,  
Honors Tutorial College

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FACULTY EXCELLENCE AND  
SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Krendl

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FOUNDERS DAY ADDRESS

Roderick J. McDavis, Ph.D., President

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READINGS

“The Promise and the Fact”

Charles J. Ping, President Emeritus of  
Ohio University

“Envisioning Global Citizenship”

Haley Duschinski, Assistant Professor,  
Department of Sociology and Anthropology

“The Promise of Ohio University: Divine Interruptions”  
reading for Wendy Merb-Brown, Director, Learning Community Programs

“Possibility”

Heather Baird Tomlinson, Alumna,  
College of Arts and Sciences

“The Promise Is in the People”

Quadia Muhammad, Student,  
Scripps College of Communication

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## CLOSING REMARKS

Executive Vice President and Provost Krendl

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## ALMA MATER, OHIO

Katie McGonagle, Undergraduate Student,  
Vocal Performance

Arranged by Gene D'Angelo

(The audience is asked to stand for the singing of "Alma Mater, Ohio")

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## RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS

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## RECESSIONAL

Ohio Brass Quintet

Interpreting services provided by Deaf Services Center, Inc.  
Reception immediately following the convocation outside the  
Margaret M. Walter Hall Rotunda



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## RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND SCHOLARS

### **Alexia Foundation for World Peace Scholarship**

The Alexia Foundation for World Peace Scholarship provides financial support for students to improve their knowledge and skills of photojournalism and to increase their knowledge and understanding of other cultures by providing scholarships to study photojournalism at Syracuse University in London, England. The foundation also provides cash grants to enable student photographers to produce a picture story that furthers the foundation's goals of promoting world peace and cultural understanding. The scholarship includes full-tuition of approximately \$15,300 to study photojournalism in London in the fall semester through Syracuse University Abroad; a grant of \$1,000 to complete the proposed picture story; and an additional \$500 award to the sponsoring academic department.

**Matthew Eich**

*Visual Communication, Scripps College of Communication*

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### **American Association of University Women Dissertation Fellowship**

One of 65 awards nationally, this fellowship provides \$20,000 for dissertation completion.

**Catherine "Cat" Cutcher**

*Education and Cultural Studies, College of Education*

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### **American Meteorological Society Undergraduate Scholarship**

The American Meteorological Society Undergraduate Scholarship helps further the education of outstanding undergraduate students pursuing careers in the atmospheric and related oceanic or hydrologic sciences; students must be enrolled full time in an accredited U.S. institution and have a cumulative g.p.a. of at least 3.25 at the time of application.

**Jeffrey Waters**

*Geography/Meteorology, College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **American Meteorological Society Graduate Fellowship**

Sponsored by industry leaders and government agencies, the award provides full tuition and a stipend worth \$23,000 annually for promising students interested in careers in the atmospheric, oceanic, and hydrologic fields.

**Nicholas Engerer**

*Geography/Meteorology, College of Arts and Sciences*



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### **American Society of Plant Biologists Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship**

The American Society of Plant Biologists Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF) is designed to assist promising undergraduate students conducting meaningful research in plant biology early in their college careers. Each fellowship provides a \$3,000 student stipend; \$500 for mentor's lab supplies; a one-year student membership in ASPB; and a \$500 travel allowance to attend the ASPB national meeting. The student must be a co-author of an abstract registered at the conference to qualify for the travel.

**Cory Frederick**

*Geological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Appalachian Scholars**

The Appalachian Scholars program is a scholarship initiative available to students residing in one of 29 Appalachian Ohio counties who demonstrate enthusiasm, motivation to succeed, academic achievement, and financial need. This competitive scholarship is available on five of the University's campuses.

**Eric Alexander**

*Mechanical Engineering,  
Russ College of Engineering and Technology*

**Christopher Capper**

*Pre-physical Therapy,  
College of Health and Human Services*

**Shea Daniels**

*English,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

**Katherine Dufore**

*Early Childhood Education,  
College of Education*

**Megan Gray**

*Early Childhood Education,  
College of Education*

**Daniel Kelly**

*Broadcast Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

**Trace Lydick**

*Mechanical Engineering,  
Russ College of Engineering  
and Technology*

**Stephen Neuhart**

*Environmental Biology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

**Jessica Price**

*Pre-physical Therapy,  
College of Health and Human Services*

**Brittany Wolverton**

*Psychology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*



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### **Austrian Ministry of Education Teaching Assistantship**

The program funds U.S. teaching assistants in secondary schools throughout Austria. Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, have a bachelor's degree or be completing one when applying, and be interested in careers in education or public service.

#### **Elizabeth Andersen**

*German,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Jonathan Justice**

*German,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Christopher Bruce**

*German, College of Arts and Sciences;  
Journalism, Scripps College of  
Communication*

#### **Ryan Smith**

*English,  
Honors Tutorial College*

#### **Diana Hujejj**

*International Studies,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Seth Trammell**

*German,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship**

The Goldwater Scholarship rewards math, science, and engineering majors of outstanding potential with support for the completion of undergraduate studies. It covers tuition, fees, books, and room and board. The award is for up to \$7,500 with 320 scholarship recipients nationwide selected from 1,091 nominees.

#### **Clare Bruggeman**

*Environmental and Plant Biology,  
Honors Tutorial College*

#### **Ryan O'Donnell**

*Chemistry,  
Honors Tutorial College*

#### **Justin Henthorn**

*Mathematics, Honors Tutorial College;  
Chemistry, College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Benjamin Gilman International Scholarship**

The Benjamin Gilman Study Abroad Program aims to encourage students to choose non-traditional study abroad destinations, especially those outside of Western Europe and Australia. The program seeks to assist students from a diverse range and type of public and private institutions from all 50 states. Award recipients are chosen by a competitive selection process and must use the award to defray eligible study abroad costs.

#### **Jordan Pleasant**

*Philosophy,  
Honors Tutorial College*

#### **Michael Marion**

*Computer Science,  
Russ College of Engineering and  
Technology*



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### **Benjamin Gilman Critical Language Scholarship**

This award provides an additional \$3,000 to students receiving the Gilman International Scholarship to study critical need languages in Arabic (all dialects), Chinese (all dialects), Turkic (Azerbaijani, Kazakh, Kyrgyz, Turkish, Turkmen, Uzbek), Persian (Farsi, Dari, Kurdish, Pashto, Tajiki), Indic (Hindi, Urdu, Nepali, Sinhala, Bengali, Punjabi, Marathi, Gujarati, Sindhi), Korean, or Russian.

#### **Jordan Pleasant**

*Philosophy,  
Honors Tutorial College*

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### **Bill Emerson Hunger Fellowship**

The Emerson Hunger Fellowship is a unique leadership development opportunity for those seeking to work toward eliminating hunger and poverty. Fellows spend six months in an urban or rural community-based organization and the next six months in Washington, D.C., working with national organizations.

#### **Mark Stovell**

*Political Science, Sociology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Bridging Scholarship for Study in Japan**

Sponsored and coordinated by The Association of Teachers of Japanese, this award provides \$2,500–\$4,000, donated by United States and Japanese corporations, for up to 100 students to study, live, and travel in Japan annually.

#### **Michael Marion**

*Computer Science,  
Russ College of Engineering  
and Technology*

#### **Meghan Ventura**

*Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

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### **Broadcast Education Association (BEA)**

#### **Harold E. Fellows Scholarship**

This \$1,250 scholarship is sponsored by the National Association of Broadcasters and awarded to juniors, seniors, and graduate students at BEA member colleges and universities.

#### **Susan Plungis**

*Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences;  
Telecommunications, Scripps College of Communication*

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### **The Charles and Lucille King Family Foundation Scholarship**

The foundation awards undergraduate scholarships of up to \$2,500 per academic year to juniors and seniors majoring in television and film.

#### **Susan Plungis**

*Psychology, College of Arts and Sciences;  
Telecommunications, Scripps College  
of Communication*

#### **Nora Rye**

*Video Production,  
Honors Tutorial College*



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### **The David L. Boren/National Security Education Program Undergraduate Scholarship (NSEP)**

This federally funded program provides awards to encourage international understanding and competence, to enhance national security, and to support education abroad. Awards vary, but can reach up to \$20,000.

#### **Jason Akbar**

*Political Science,  
Honors Tutorial College*

#### **Kayleigh Forhan**

*Political Science,  
Honors Tutorial College;  
German, College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **DAAD German Academic Exchange Services Study Scholarship**

This scholarship funds study, senior thesis research, and/or internships for highly qualified undergraduate students in Germany. It includes a monthly stipend, plus additional funds to help defray travel and research expenses as well as health insurance.

#### **Kimberly Vandegriff**

*German, College of Arts and Sciences;  
Music, College of Fine Arts*

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### **DAAD internXchange Program for Journalism Majors**

The DAAD, German Academic Exchange Service, internXchange Program provides outstanding undergraduate journalism students (graduating seniors, recent graduate, and graduate students are also eligible) with an opportunity to immerse themselves in the society, culture, values, and political attitudes in Germany. Applicants should either be enrolled in a school of journalism or be majoring in a journalism-related field, have German language proficiency equal to the “advanced intermediate” level, a demonstrated interest in Germany and German affairs, and experiences in practical journalism.

#### **Christopher Bruce**

*German, College of Arts and Sciences;  
Journalism, Scripps College of Communication*



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### Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship

This fellowship provides funds for graduate students who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents to study a selected critical language.

**Karen Agbemabiese-Grooms**

*College of Education*

**Selam Gerzher Alemayo**

*College of Education*

**Roger Anderson**

*French/African Studies,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

**Rhodaline Baidoo**

*Health Communication,  
College of Health and Human Services*

**Mitchell Boutin**

*College of Education*

**Diane De Guzman**

*Communication Development,  
Scripps College of Communication*

**Marlene DeLa Cruz**

*English, College of Arts and Sciences*

**Kaia DeMatteo**

*Linguistics,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

**Maria Cortese Hering**

*African Studies,  
International Studies*

**Thomas “Spree” MacDonald**

*Interdisciplinary Arts,  
College of Fine Arts*

**Divine Nininahazwe**

*Public Health,  
College of Health and Human Services*

**Kristina Tamny**

*Development Studies, International  
Studies*

**Joe Venosa**

*History,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

**Megan Weber**

*African Studies,  
International Studies*

**Jess Wilhelm**

*Astrophysics,  
Honors Tutorial College*

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### Freeman Asia Award

This program is designed to support American undergraduates with demonstrated financial need who are planning to study overseas in East or Southeast Asia.

Awards are for up to \$7,000.

**Scott Bentley**

*Specialized Studies,  
University College*

**Zachary Noble**

*International Studies,  
College of Arts and Sciences*



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### **French Government Teaching Assistantships**

These assistantships to teach English in France for nine months are offered on a competitive basis by the French Ministry of Education and the Cultural Services at the French Embassy. Between 1,000 and 1,700 teaching assistant positions are awarded annually for French schools in all regions of France.

#### **Jennifer Bishop**

*French,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Rebecca Bonthius**

*Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Misty Bowden**

*French Education,  
College of Education*

#### **Jennifer Case**

*French, College of Arts and Sciences;  
French Education, College of Education*

#### **James Fleenor**

*French,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Kathleen Flynn**

*History, French,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Emily Grantham**

*French, International Studies,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Charlotte Howell**

*Psychology, Pre-physical Therapy,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Alexandra Huddleston**

*Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Jerrold Lemaster**

*Journalism,  
Honors Tutorial College*

#### **Colin McCrone**

*Physics,  
Honors Tutorial College*

#### **Stephanie Voyles**

*Physics, French,  
College of Arts and Sciences*



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### **Fulbright U.S. Student Program**

One of the most widely recognized academic honors, the Fulbright Awards provide support for graduate students and young professionals to study abroad. Awards include full grants for an academic year of study or research, travel grants, and teaching assistantships in English. Approximately 1,100 are awarded per year.

#### **Elizabeth Andersen**

*German,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Christopher Bruce**

*German, College of Arts and Sciences;  
Journalism, Scripps College of  
Communication*

#### **Jennifer Goodlander**

*Interdisciplinary Arts,  
College of Fine Arts*

#### **Karen Greiner**

*Communication Studies,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Jennifer Hayes**

*English,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Jonathan Justice**

*German,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Daniel Leach**

*Electrical Engineering,  
Russ College of Engineering  
and Technology*

#### **Christine Madjar**

*English, German,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Daniel McBrayer**

*International Development Studies,  
Center for International Studies*

#### **Krista McCallum Beatty**

*Higher Education Administration,  
College of Education*

#### **Daniel Reimold**

*Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Stephanie Siek**

*Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Kimberly Vandegrift**

*German, College of Arts and Sciences;  
Music, College of Fine Arts*

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### **Homeland Security Undergraduate Scholarship**

This highly competitive two-year scholarship provides full tuition, a \$1,000 stipend per month, and a paid summer internship following the junior year.

#### **Ryan O'Donnell**

*Chemistry,  
Honors Tutorial College*

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### **JASSO/Japan Student Services Organization Scholarship**

The scholarship provides for an economy class round-trip air ticket to Japan, a settling-in allowance of approximately \$250, and a cash stipend of about \$7,000 per academic year. The host university nominates the student to Japan's Ministry of Education's AIEJ scholarship committee.

#### **Matthew Lanigan**

*Linguistics,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Jim Murray Scholarship**

This scholarship of \$5,000 is awarded annually to seven college students from 29 participating top journalism schools.

#### **Brittany Hughes**

*Journalism,  
Honors Tutorial College*

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### **Manasseh Cutler Scholars Program**

The Ohio University Manasseh Cutler Scholars Program, supported by private donors, is a four-year undergraduate scholarship that provides an annual stipend to cover tuition, room and board, and four summers of enrichment experiences, including study and work abroad.

#### **Rachel Ackerman**

*Teacher Education,  
College of Education*

#### **Chase Allman**

*Biological Sciences/Premedicine,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Alex Anderson**

*Biological Sciences/Premedicine,  
College of Health and Human Services*

#### **Andrew Bissell**

*Criminology/Prelaw,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Courtney Ginther**

*Biological Sciences,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Sam Miller**

*Chemical Engineering, Russ College of  
Engineering and Technology;  
International Studies, College of Arts  
and Sciences*

#### **Grace Nelson**

*Spanish,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Marshall Scholarship**

Established by the British Parliament and named for U.S. General George C. Marshall in appreciation of the U.S. participation in post-WWII recovery, this scholarship is comparable to the Rhodes scholarship and is designed to allow outstanding American students to study in Britain.

#### **Robert Arnold**

*Political Science,  
Honors Tutorial College*

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### **Mathematics Education Trust: Texas Instruments Demana Waits Scholarship**

#### **Marissa Blewitt**

*Integrated Mathematics,  
College of Education*



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### **Microsoft Scholarship**

The Microsoft Scholarship assists students in pursuing an undergraduate degree in computer science, computer engineering, or a related technical discipline such as electrical engineering, math, or physics with a demonstrated interest in computer science. Students must maintain a 3.0 cumulative g.p.a. out of a possible 4.0.

#### **Carlos Espinoza**

*Computer Science,  
Russ College of Engineering and Technology*

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### **NASA-Harriet G. Jenkins Pre-doctoral Fellowship Project**

NASA-Harriet G. Jenkins Pre-doctoral Fellowship Project, jointly administered by NASA and the United Negro College Fund Special Programs Corporation (UNCFSP), annually offers a three-year fellowship and provides outstanding opportunities for research, mentoring, and networking to women, minorities, and disabled persons who receive graduate degrees in the NASA-related science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines.

#### **Desirée Cotta-Figueroa**

*Astrophysics,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowship**

National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowships are funded by the Department of Defense and awarded to applicants who will pursue a doctoral degree in, or closely related to, an area of DoD interest within one of the following disciplines: aeronautical and astronautical engineering; biosciences, chemical engineering; chemistry; civil engineering; cognitive, neural, and behavior sciences; computer and computational sciences; electrical engineering; geosciences; materials science and engineering; mathematics; mechanical engineering; naval architecture and ocean engineering; or oceanography and physics. The fellowship includes full tuition and required fees (not room and board), plus a stipend of approximately \$31,000 for three years.

#### **Nicholas Enger**

*Geography/Meteorology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*



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### **The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship Program**

The NOAA Ernest F. Hollings scholarship program provides \$8,000 to students interested in oceanic and atmospheric science, research, and technology.

**Sarah Gutzwiller**

*Biological Sciences,  
Honors Tutorial College*

**Molly Semones**

*Biochemistry,  
Honors Tutorial College*

**Justin Henthorn**

*Mathematics, Honors Tutorial College;  
Chemistry, College of Arts and Sciences*

**Elizabeth Simonik**

*Marine Biology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

**Brooks Kohli**

*Biological Sciences,  
Honors Tutorial College*

**Darren Snively**

*Geography/Meteorology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **National Press Photographers Association College Photographer of the Year**

The National Press Photographers Association College Photographer of the Year competition, conducted by the National Press Photographers Foundation, Kappa Alpha Mu, and the University of Missouri School of Journalism, recognizes outstanding work of students currently working toward a degree. The contest embraces diverse approaches to photojournalism and provides a forum for student photographers to gauge their skills against those of their peers.

**Travis Dove**

*Visual Communication,  
Scripps College of Communication*

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### **National Security Language Critical Language Enhancement Award**

The National Security Language Critical Language Enhancement Award is sponsored by the Department of State through the Fulbright Program and is open to students who have been awarded a Fulbright U.S. student grant and intend to use one of the eligible languages in their Fulbright project. The purpose of the Critical Language Enhancement Award is to cultivate language learning prior to and during the Fulbright grant period and beyond.

**Daniel McBrayer**

*International Development Studies,  
Center for International Studies*



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### **Phi Kappa Phi Alfred M. Wolfe Graduate Fellowship**

Awarded by the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, this fellowship is one of seven named fellowships honoring majors in agriculture, classical Latin, Ancient Greek, or English and supports students in their first year of graduate or professional study. Selection is based on scholastic achievement, promise of success in graduate work, leadership, letters of recommendation, and articulation of study and career goals. The fellowship provides \$5,000 of support.

#### **Patrick Heery**

*Classics, Honors Tutorial College;  
English, College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Phi Kappa Phi Love of Learning**

This award provides \$500 to fund post-baccalaureate studies and/or career development for active Phi Kappa Phi members.

#### **Janice Frisch**

*History, Honors Tutorial College;  
Sociology, College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship (Spain – Fall 2008)**

This scholarship is designed to further international understanding and goodwill and provides for study abroad in one of 162 countries and 35 geographical regions where Rotary clubs are located.

#### **Anna Opitz**

*Physics, Honors Tutorial College;  
Mechanical Engineering, Russ College of Engineering and Technology*

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### **Spanish Language and Cultural Assistantship**

The Spanish Language and Cultural Assistants Program is coordinated by the Spanish Ministry of Education in collaboration with the Spanish Comunidades Autónomas (regions) and the educational authorities of the participating countries. It gives recent graduates an opportunity to visit Spain and become acquainted with the Spanish education system, teachers, and students. Applicants must hold a U.S. or Canadian passport; be a junior or senior in college or have successfully completed their B.A., B.S., M.A., or M.S. by the end of the current academic year; be in good mental and physical health; and have an intermediate to advanced level of Spanish.

#### **Daniel Hoy**

*Physics,  
Honors Tutorial College*

#### **Joseph Casal**

*Spanish,  
College of Arts and Sciences*



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### **Tau Beta Pi Scholarship**

Tau Beta Pi Association Scholarship Program was established in 1998 and awards \$2,000 to undergraduate members of Tau Beta Pi who plan to return to school for a two-semester or three-quarter senior year of full time study in engineering.

### **Nichole Blackmore**

*Mechanical Engineering, Russ College of Engineering and Technology;  
Applied Mathematics, College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Teach for America**

National corps of outstanding recent college graduates and professionals of all academic majors and career interests selected to teach for two years in urban and rural public schools and become leaders in the effort to expand educational opportunity.

### **Avery Blair-Wilson**

*Painting,  
College of Fine Arts*

### **Alina Buccella**

*English,  
Honors Tutorial College*

### **Joseph Buzzelli**

*Philosophy-Prelaw,  
Mathematics, College of Arts and Sciences*

### **Gail Clendenin**

*Political Science,  
Honors Tutorial College*

### **Lauren Elliott**

*Psychology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

### **Hillary Fallon**

*Organizational Communication,  
Scripps College of Communication*

### **Molly Gilmore**

*Political Science,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

### **Brian Hemsworth**

*Telecommunication-Video,  
Scripps College of Communication*

### **Max Korn**

*Philosophy,  
Honors Tutorial College*

### **Kate Krosse**

*Telecommunication,  
Scripps College of Communication*

### **Adam Lawrence**

*Human Resource and Management,  
College of Business*

### **Allison Rapp**

*Psychology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

### **Adam Seipel**

*Integrated Language Arts,  
College of Education*

### **Erin Stuckey**

*Marketing,  
College of Business*

### **Cherrelle Turner**

*Journalism-Public Relations,  
Scripps College of Communication*



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### **Templeton Scholars**

The Templeton Scholars Program, named for Ohio University's first African American graduate, John Newton Templeton, was created to mirror the Cutler Scholars program while attracting high-achieving students from disproportionately represented groups. The scholarship covers the cost of tuition, room, board, and books for the academic year. Recipients must successfully complete 48 credit hours per academic year at Ohio University and achieve and maintain a cumulative 3.0 g.p.a. by the end of each spring quarter.

#### **Christopher Born**

*Computer Science,  
Russ College of Engineering and Technology*

#### **Nathaniel Boyer**

*Video Production,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Stephanie Del Rosal**

*Communication Studies,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Awele Nwajei**

*Chemistry/Premedicine,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Ugonna Okpalaoka**

*Magazine Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Brittany Oliver**

*Visual Communication,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Jermain Onye**

*Mechanical Engineering,  
Russ College of Engineering  
and Technology*

#### **Eudora Peterson**

*Broadcast Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Eric "Max" Rodriguez**

*Video Production,  
Scripps College of Communication*

#### **Eric White**

*Advertising,  
Scripps College of Communication*



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### **Urban Scholars**

The Urban Scholarship, sponsored by private donors, is valued at \$14,000 per year. The Urban Scholars Program is designed to increase campus diversity and enhance opportunities for high school students in Ohio's urban centers to enroll and succeed in college. To qualify, students must demonstrate both academic merit and financial need.

#### **Chrysten Crockett**

*Undecided,  
University College*

#### **Brian Davis**

*Civil Engineering,  
Russ College of Engineering and Technology*

#### **Naomie Jeantine**

*Undecided,  
University College*

#### **Donald Lindsay**

*International Business, College of Business*

#### **Victoria Little**

*Theater,  
College of Fine Arts*

#### **Roger Oatman**

*Computer Science,  
Russ College of Engineering  
and Technology*

#### **Habibat "Funmi" Saheeb**

*Political Science, English Minor,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Renina Smith**

*Journalism,  
University College*

#### **Ashleeann Washington**

*Undecided,  
University College*

#### **Shirley Wilson**

*Undecided,  
University College*



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## RECOGNITION OF FACULTY AWARD RECIPIENTS

### **The Distinguished Professor**

The award, established in 1959, recognizes scholarly accomplishment, professional reputation, and contribution to the University. A committee of distinguished professors reviews nominations made by faculty to select each year's Distinguished Professor. The Distinguished Professor Award, a lifetime designation, is considered the University's highest academic honor.

#### **R. Damian Nance**

*Professor of Geological Sciences*

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### **Fulbright Lectureship in Taiwan**

#### **Neil Bernstein**

*Department of Classics and World Religions,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Fulbright Scholar Program**

#### **Benita Blessing**

*Department of History,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **William Fisher**

*School of Theater,  
College of Fine Arts*

#### **Zinny Bond**

*Department of Linguistics,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Mark Leff**

*E. W. Scripps School of Journalism,  
Scripps College of Communication*

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### **Outstanding Graduate Faculty**

Chosen by the Graduate Student Senate, the honoree is dedicated to graduate teaching practice and innovation, has a strong influence on graduate curriculum, a passion for advising and mentoring, and a desire to improve graduate life and education. The honoree gives the keynote address at graduate commencement.

#### **Patricia Weitsman**

*Political Science,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

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### **Outstanding Professor, Regional Campuses**

The Office of Regional Higher Education has established an award to recognize the accomplishments of faculty who have demonstrated excellence in teaching; quality scholarship in their discipline, or in areas of teaching, learning, or engagement; outstanding work with students and student organizations; leadership in civic and community activities directly germane to the educational mission of Ohio University and Southeastern Ohio; and leadership in professional organizations. Each campus may nominate one candidate per year for selection by a regional campus faculty committee.

#### **Raj Thamburaj**

*Chemistry,  
Ohio University, Zanesville Campus*



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### **Presidential Teacher Award**

The Presidential Teacher Award was established to recognize outstanding faculty for their excellence as teachers both inside and outside the classroom. Criteria include teaching practices and innovations, influences on curriculum, mentoring and advising students in both academic and career matters, mentoring fellow instructors, and scholarship with respect to teaching.

#### **Debra Henderson**

*Department of Sociology and Anthropology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Pramod Kanwar**

*Department of Mathematics,  
Ohio University, Zanesville Campus*

#### **Scott Titsworth**

*School of Communication Studies,  
Scripps College of Communication*

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### **University Professor**

The University Professor Program was established in 1970 as a way for students to recognize faculty they deem exceptional. Award recipients are nominated by student vote and chosen by a student committee that interviews the nominees and observes them teaching. Each University Professor receives \$2,000 and teaches two classes on the topic of his or her choice.

#### **Josephine Bloomfield**

*Department of English,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Jennifer Chabot**

*School of Human and Consumer Sciences,  
College of Health and Human Services*

#### **Barry Tadlock**

*Department of Political Science,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Nancy Tatarek**

*Department of Sociology and Anthropology,  
College of Arts and Sciences*

#### **Scott Titsworth**

*School of Communication Studies,  
Scripps College of Communication*





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TO HONOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN STRONG  
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ENABLED THE UNIVERSITY TO CONTINUE ITS HERITAGE AS A  
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OFFICE OF NATIONALLY COMPETITIVE AWARDS

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FULBRIGHT PROGRAMS

LORA MUNSELL CLAPP  
LAURA CHAPMAN  
DOUG ORR  
SHERRIE GRADIN  
DAVID INGRAM  
BEN OGLES

WENDY MERB-BROWN  
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GREG LESTER  
JENNY KLEIN  
PATTI MCSTEEN  
AND CARYN ASLESON

THEY HAVE WORKED INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLABORATIVELY OVER  
FOUR YEARS TO ENHANCE THE FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE FOR  
OHIO UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATES.

THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE CONTRIBUTED MATERIALLY TO SECURING  
THE VISION OHIO GOAL OF SUSTAINING AN INSTITUTION THAT  
VALUES AND IS SUCCESSFUL IN THE PURSUIT OF BOTH EXCELLENCE  
AND ACCESS.

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