

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES



2019-2020 AWARDS CELEBRATION

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP

Top African American Studies students, not only based on GPA, but looking at other elements such as leadership, extra-curricular activities, & outstanding attributes.

EVER TAYLOR & LAULAUGA TAUSAGA-COLLINS

CULTURAL APPRECIATION AWARDS

To recognize undergraduate students who have taken at least 3 AAS courses & demonstrated an extraordinary appreciation of issues in African American culture, along with academic achievement.

**THOMAS CLAY, ANTHONY HAUGHTON, JASMINE KARGBO,
DAVIYON NIXON, & BRIENA VAUGHN**

COMMUNITY SERVICE

To recognize a campus organization, undergraduate, & graduate student for: serving people & diverse communities / addressing important community issues through service participating in activities that have had a measurable impact on the community / demonstrating exemplary commitment to volunteerism / contributing to organized cultural & community endeavors.

UNDERGRADUATE: TIANA WARNER

Iowa Youth Writing Project at Tate Elementary, Black Student Union, National Association of Black Journalists, & Executive Board Black Art Real Stories

STAFF: CLEO MCCONNELL

Volunteered at UI hospital during coronavirus pandemic.

LEADERSHIP

To recognize a campus organization, undergraduate and graduate student for: actions that are effective to creating positive change / actions that address important campus issues with a measurable impact / actions that set a high level of integrity & personal standards / actions that help build bridges between people & organizations / actions that motivate and inspire others to realize leadership potential

UNDERGRADUATE: ALEXI BOLDEN

Dean of Students Advisory Board, Creator of "Celebrating You" program, President BSU, mentor/Theater Dept., African American Cultural Center, & Artshare participant

GRADUATE: LISA COVINGTON

Youth Development Programs, African American Council, & Office of President Advisory Board

CREATIVE ARTS AWARD

To recognize an undergraduate or graduate student for inspirational talent, motivation and creative ability.

GRADUATE: TOLA ABRAHAM

Iowa Writers' Workshop, Author of *Àaã 'Òj cã*

JORRELL WATKINS

Iowa Writers' Workshop, Author of *ǻ' L j iũ' d'ǻ' aã s'U kœic' Aǻd*

STEVEN WILLIS

Revived Darwin Turner Action Theater as community initiative

CULTURAL RESEARCH AWARD

To recognize graduate students near completion of their dissertation for outstanding contributions, commitment and initiative related to research in African American culture.

GRADUATE:

CHARLES R. STANLEY MARTIN II

Higher Education and Student Affairs

ADVISOR: DR. SHERRY WATT

Dissertation examines the racial socialization of Black men on historically & predominantly white campuses, defining racial socialization as a combination of racial identity, racial climate, & racial interaction.

GRADUATING AAS SENIORS

FALL

MAYA BUCHANAN

CHANEL PUGH

SPRING

TAMARAH HAYSLETT

MARIAH PRIDE

ALVIN JONES