SCHOLARS AND LEADERS AWARDS CEREMONY

Tuesday, May 1, 2007
7 p.m.

Wheeler Hall
Ware Campus Center
Program of Events

Welcome .................................................. Thomas Galligan
President

Academic Awards

The James Duane Squires Book Award ...................... Deborah Taylor
Academic Vice President and Dean of Faculty

Sawyer Fellowships ........................................ Joseph Carroll
Interim Academic Dean

Capstone, Baccalaureate and Program Recognition Awards

Business Administration
Dr. Margaret “Marnie” Kurtz Award ..................... Prof. Beth Crockford, Chair

Exercise and Sport Sciences ................................. Prof. Jean Eckrich, Chair

Fine and Performing Arts ................................. Prof. Loretta Barnett, Chair
Studio Art .................................................. Prof. Loretta Barnett

Graphic Design ........................................ Loretta Barnett

Humanities
Communication Studies ................................. Prof. Don Coonley
Richard Crosby Memorial Award ......................... Prof. Olivia Smith
Carl M. Cochran Award in English ..................... Olivia Smith

Institute for Community and Environment
Community and Environmental Studies ... Prof. John Callewaert, Director

Natural Sciences
Biology ..................................................... Prof. Nick Baer
Prof. Cheryl Coolidge
Guy Floyd Williams Award .............................. Cheryl Coolidge

Nursing
Grace Adella Sheldon Graves Award ................... Prof. Ellen Ceppetelli, Chair

Social Sciences and Education
Child Development ................................. Prof. Randy Hanson, Chair
History, Society and Culture ............................ Randy Hanson
Psychology ........................................... Randy Hanson

Academic Honors and Graduate Honor Cords

Alpha Chi Honor Society ............................... Randy Hanson, Sponsor
Alpha Chi Award ...................................... Deborah Taylor

Wesson Honors Program ................................. Prof. Ann Page Stecker, Coordinator

Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society ......................... Prof. Melissa Meade, Sponsor

Sigma Beta Delta Honor Society ....................... Beth Crockford, Sponsor

Colby-Sawyer College Honor Society for Nursing ... Ellen Ceppetelli, Sponsor

Psi Chi Honor Society ................................. Prof. Lynn Garrioch, Sponsor

Leadership Awards

Key Association Award ................................. Jessica Price
Assistant Director of Admissions

Leadership Expedition ................................. Robin Davis
Associate Dean of Students and Director of Citizenship Education

Senior Achievement Awards ......................... David Sauerwein
Vice President for Student Development and Dean of Students

Senior Commencement Addresses ................... David Sauerwein

Colby-Sawyer Award ................................ Deborah Taylor

Closing Remarks ........................................ Thomas Galligan

Music performed by pianist Susan Cancio-Bello
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Fine and Performing Arts
The James Duane Squires Book Award
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Sean Ahern  
Sarah Breault  
Andrew Burnell  
Daniel Cwiwka  
Sarah Dorrance  
Joseph Doucet  
Sam Grinnell  
Alicia Harris  
Samuel Moore  
Kathryn O’Neil  
Michael Rodriguez  
Michelle Sullivan

Sawyer Fellowships
The Sawyer Fellowships recognize students who have demonstrated the potential to make strong contributions to campus life in academic programs, the fine and performing arts, residential life, co-curricular life and other aspects of the educational program. The recipients of these fellowships for 2007-2008 are nominated by faculty and staff.

Patrick Benson  
Mallary Blair  
John Bosse  
Brittany Butterworth  
Ryan Connolly  
James Daley  
Kathryn DeLuca  
Angela Eastman  
Alexandra FitzGerald  
Sarah Heaney  
Amy Hebert  
Kaitlin Hull  
Zachary Irish  
Christelle Kamaliza  
Elise Kapp  
Katelyn Kimball  
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Noah Richard  
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Evelina Simanonyte  
Antonio Soto

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Erin Stepro

Guy Floyd Williams Award
The Guy Floyd Williams Award is presented to a graduating senior majoring in a science who has helped to maintain and perpetuate the ideals of the college during the graduate’s years at Colby-Sawyer and who, through appropriate conduct, scholarship and decorum, has exemplified the spirit of the college.

Amy Janiak

Capstone Experience
The Capstone experiences differ from major to major, but their shared purpose is to ensure that all seniors demonstrate their accumulated knowledge through action and effectively communicate their knowledge and actions to others in an interdisciplinary setting.

Business Administration
Kristen Bourikas, Taryn DeBoer, Brian Haddad, Tyler Judkins, Jason Kelly, Kristine Prioli

Exercise and Sport Sciences
Shawn Kithcart, Brittini Stewart, Anita Watterson

Fine and Performing Arts
Studio Art  
Kathleen Corr

Humanities
Communication Studies  
Laura Baudanza  
English  
Kathryn O’Neil

Community and Environmental Studies
Matt Urban

Natural Sciences
Biology  
J. Peter O’Laughlin

Nursing
Meghan Block, Megan Martin, Brandi McGovern, Allison Rosmus

Social Sciences and Education
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Jessica Niebuhr  
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Baccalaureate Awards

Baccalaureate awards are presented to the graduating students in each baccalaureate program who are selected by the faculty for their interest and excellence within the major. Recipients must be full-time students and have completed at least 50 percent of their credits for graduation while attending Colby-Sawyer.

Business Administration
Dr. Margaret “Marnie” Kurtz Award
Robert Silva

Exercise and Sport Sciences
Lesley Bolton

Fine and Performing Arts
Studio Art
Lisa Haedrich
Graphic Design
Jeffrey Blood

Humanities
Communication Studies
Nicole Iapicca

Carl M. Cochran Award in English
Kara Watts

Institute for Community and Environment
Community and Environmental Studies
Carly Rademaker

Natural Sciences
Biology
J. Peter O’Laughlin

Nursing
Grace Adella Sheldon Graves Award
Paula Spanos

Social Sciences and Education
Child Development
Leah Salach
History, Society and Culture
Sarah Howard
Psychology
Sarah Dow

Alpha Chi Award

The Alpha Chi Award is given to a graduating student who, in the eyes of the members of Alpha Chi, best exemplifies truth and character, which are the ideals of the society.

Sarah Howard

Alpha Chi National College Honor Society

The Colby-Sawyer College chapter of this national honor society recognizes the academic achievement of juniors and seniors. To be eligible for membership, a student must rank in the top ten percent of the junior or senior class and demonstrate the Alpha Chi values of truth and character. Honor cords of blue and green are worn by graduates.

Lesley Bolton
Christine Brassard
April Buchheit
Leah Condon
Kathleen Corr
Sarah Dow
C. Kochava Duschenes
Christine Francis
Lisa Haedrich
Steven Hash
Sarah Howard
Katherine Johnson
Jennifer Keefe
Colleen LaPorte
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Jessica Randall
Krisen Scott
Stephanie Seavy
Katelyn Sheaff
Robert Silva
Rebecca Spitz
Erin Stepro
Kara Watts
Sigma Beta Delta International Honor Society in Business, Management and Administration

Sigma Beta Delta, the international honor society in business, management and administration, honors the academic excellence and integrity of business administration majors. Members must rank in the top 20 percent of the senior class or the top ten percent of the junior class, have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, and show a record of academic honesty and integrity. Sigma Beta Delta members are expected to embrace its principles of wisdom, honorable service and the pursuit of meaningful aspirations. Honor cords of gold and green are worn by graduates.

Jessica Ambrose  Kaylee Callahan  Samantha Godfrey  Anna Hoover  Meghan Hunt
Jennifer Keefe  Jennifer LeMay  John Manganello  Mariana Norby  Cheri Ovens
Jessica Randall  Leah Salach  Lisa Schreiner  Kerian Spear  Danielle Westcom

Psi Chi the National Honor Society in Psychology

The purpose of this national honor society in psychology is to encourage, stimulate and maintain excellence in scholarship and to advance the science of psychology. Members must rank in the top 35 percent of the class, have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, a minimum GPA of 3.0 in psychology courses, have completed at least three college semesters and nine credits of psychology courses, and be enrolled in a program of study with strong psychological content. Honor cords of blue and gold are worn by graduates.

Jessica Ambrose  Christine Brassard  Samantha Godfrey  Anna Hoover  Meghan Hunt
Jennifer Keefe  Jennifer LeMay  John Manganello  Mariana Norby  Cheri Ovens
Jessica Randall  Leah Salach  Lisa Schreiner  Kerian Spear  Rebecca Spitz  Cailin Toomey  Danielle Westcom

Wesson Honors Program

The Wesson Honors Program is designed to provide highly motivated students with an optional intensive experience in the liberal arts. On completion of honors courses and a Capstone, graduating students receive an honors certificate, a blue and white honors cord, and the designation Wesson Honors Program is added to their diplomas and transcripts.

Jessica Ambrose  Kaylee Callahan  Sarah Dow  Sarah Howard  John Manganello
Kathryn O'Neil  Jessica Randall  Rebecca Spitz  Kara Watts

Lambda Pi Eta the Honor Society of the National Communication Association

The college’s chapter of the national honor society in communication studies fosters and rewards outstanding scholastic achievement in the field of communication. Members must have completed 60 credit hours, with 12 in communication studies courses, have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, a minimum GPA of 3.25 in communication studies courses, and rank in the top 30 percent of their class. Honor cords of red and white are worn by graduates.

Laura Baudanza  Anne Walsh

Colby-Sawyer College Honor Society for Nursing

The Colby-Sawyer College Honor Society for Nursing is dedicated to improving the health of people worldwide by increasing the scientific base of nursing practice. Members must have a GPA of 3.0, rank in the upper 35 percent of their graduating class, meet the expectation of academic integrity, and obtain two endorsements. Honor cords of purple and white are worn by graduates.

Meghan Block  Adrienne Robbins  C. Kochava Duschenes  Colleen LaPorte  Mariana Norby  Amy Richards
Katelyn Sheaff  Paula Spanos  Sarah Taylor

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Key Association Award

The Key Association Award is given annually to the graduating member who exemplifies the association’s best qualities. He or she must be responsible, articulate, enthusiastic, have a strong sense of pride in Colby-Sawyer, and be willing to share that pride and enthusiasm with visitors to our campus.

Julie Baldiga

Leadership Expedition Recognition

Students who complete four years of the Leadership Expedition Program and more than 36 hours of leadership training receive a Leadership Expedition Certificate. The training sessions focus on enriching and deepening students’ self-knowledge, thinking creatively and critically, communicating and interacting effectively, acting ethically and professionally, and understanding and employing multiple perspectives.

- David Bonin
- Katina Caraganis
- Taryn DeBoer
- Marissa DeSousa
- Samantha Godfrey
- Stephanie Guzzo
- Amy Janiak
- Katherine Johnson
- Nicole Kenney
- Cheri Owens
- Rachel Pierson
- Kristine Prioli
- Jessica Randall
- Jennifer Richard
- Leah Salach
- Lisa Schreiner
- Malcolm Smith
- Kerian Spear
- Rebecca Spitz
- Cailin Toomey
- Danielle Westcom

Senior Commencement Speakers

The class of 2007 Commencement Speaker Medals are presented to two students (one male and one female) who represent the character of the graduating class and will give inspirational and engaging speeches that reflect the college’s values and learning outcomes. The theme for this year’s Commencement addresses is “Crossroads: Finding Your Place.”

Zachary Ackles        Alicia Harris

Colby-Sawyer Award

The Colby-Sawyer Award is given to the senior who, in the opinion of the faculty, best exemplifies the ideals of the college in personal dignity, intellectual growth, contribution to campus life and constructive influence on other students.

Kara Watts

Senior Achievement Awards

These awards are presented each year to two graduates, one male and one female, who have distinguished themselves through leadership in the cocurricular life of the college. The recipients of these awards are nominated by faculty and staff.

Zachary Ackles        Samantha Godfrey

David Bonin
Katina Caraganis
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Nicole Kenney
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