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HONORS CELEBRATION

2021

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Foundation Chair’s Message

Congratulations on receiving your scholarships and awards. Your success is a product of your determination and dedication to higher learning.

As Chair of the Bakersfield College Foundation Board, it is my sincerest pleasure to speak on behalf of the Board to convey how proud we are of each of you. We recognize your success is a reflection of hard work, sacrifice and commitment. The awards that you are receiving are a measure of your focus and perseverance.

You should be very proud of your accomplishments. Each of you are a shining example of Bakersfield College pride and an inspiration to your fellow students.

Best of luck in your future endeavors.

-Marko S. Zaninovich
Chair, Bakersfield College Foundation

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The courses and studies you have completed at Bakersfield College have prepared you to move forward with knowledge and skills, and also with a greater degree of well-deserved confidence. You are being honored because you have completed the task at hand, and also because you exceeded expectations. Take a moment to relish your achievements and accept the recognition that you are receiving… be PROUD of yourself!

We hope you will enjoy this year’s Honor Celebration with your classmates, family and friends, even if it is from a distance. We also hope you will reflect positively upon your education here at Bakersfield College – whether it leads to advanced degrees or to new career opportunities (or both!). Congratulations!

To our BC Foundation donors and sponsors, thank you for making this celebration possible! You are contributing to our collective future by investing in opportunities for our students. We most sincerely appreciate your support!

-Cheryl M. Scott
Executive Director, Bakersfield College Foundation
History of the Bakersfield College Honors Reception

During its first 44 years, when Bakersfield College was located on the campus of Bakersfield High School, high academic performance was emphasized, and good scholarship was always recognized. Margaret Levinson provided leadership through the 1930s and 1940s by encouraging such achievement and providing appropriate recognition. Those early celebrations were held at the Women’s Club on 18th Street.

2021 marks the 65th year this event has been recognized by Bakersfield College. At first, there were only a few awards sponsored by faculty, alumni and the Chamber of Commerce. Later, under the leadership of Yvonne Milliken, the scholarship program grew, and the Bakersfield College Foundation began to participate. Through the years, the Honors Celebration has provided a fitting conclusion to the academic year. It is a time for pride and praise and to affirm the vital importance of scholarship. It is a time to celebrate the opportunity BC provides to achieve better lives and to attain high goals. Today, as in the previous 108 years, our exceptional student scholars are honored, and generous scholarship donors recognized for being part of such a proud heritage.
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Leadership Awards

Grace Van Dyke Bird Award (outstanding freshman)
Ludvin Vallejos

Alumni Association Honor Award (outstanding sophomore)
Cara Polte

Paul M. Baldwin Award
Manveet Thind

Norman Levan Humanities Essay Awards/English Department Colloquium
Jazmin Salazar, Abdullah Muayad & Aubrianna Martinez

Herb Loken Leadership Award
TBD

Danny O’Neill Memorial Award
Brisa Flores
The Sophomore Class of 1960 originated a program whereby awards would be given to the second year students excelling in each department of study at Bakersfield College. The criteria for these awards require that all candidates have a high level of academic achievement, good citizenship characteristics and show favorable attitudes toward scholarship and education in general. The instructors of the respective departments select the winners. The following students have been awarded Department Awards and are listed alphabetically in their respective areas of study. The BC Foundation funds these awards in part, supplemented by the departments.

Agriculture
Emily Gonzalez

Allied Health
Carl Mango & Teresa Ortega

Art
Rachael M. Borg

Behavioral Science
Elizabeth L. Nagel

Biology
Hilicia Ramos

Business Management & Information Technology
TBD

Communication
Emily Andrews

Communication (Journalism)
Haley Aileen Andrews

Counseling (Department Funded)
Jasmen Taylor

Engineering Systems
Anthony M. LaMar & Ricardo Zamora

English for Multilingual Students
Priscila Haro- Ontiveros

Family & Consumer Education (Food/Nutrition)
LaVonne Jarrow

Family & Consumer Education (Child Development)
Fatema Tayabali

Foreign Language/ASL
Alondra Avila Santana & Jose L. Reyes

Health & Physical Education
TBD

Industrial Technology
Jennifer Villalba Zavala & Salvador Rangel

Mathematics
Andrea Marchi

Nursing
Heather Baameur

Performing Arts
Hannah Yeasley & Vanessa Beltran

Philosophy
Emma McNellis

Physical Science
Brynn N. Turpin

Social Science
Estrella Ramos & Jessica Jensen
Athletic Awards

Athletic Department awards recognize the achievements of student athletes after they have completed their athletic eligibility in their respective sport(s). In addition to their athletic prowess, these awardees are often recognized for their academic achievement, leadership, character, attitude, and enthusiasm.

**Bill Bennett Memorial (Athletics)**
TBD

**Dean Gay Memorial**
Adolfo Escudero-Mendoza & Amaya Williams
Harriet Sheldon
Victoria Lennon

**Jan Stuebbe Memorial**
Juan Cadena & Karen Garcia

**Louis Lemmuchi Memorial**
Justin Frando

**Norm Hoffman Memorial**
Cody Hartsfield

**Tom Lindley Memorial Track and Field Award**
Jaden Shumaker & Mayra Gomez

**Wallace Jones Memorial**
Elias Martinez
Scholarship Honor Roll of Awards

Each year, organizations, business firms, individuals in our community, and the Bakersfield College Foundation sponsor scholarship awards for outstanding Bakersfield College students. The following students have been selected to receive awards for the 2021-2022 academic year as indicated.

**AB540 Scholarship**
Gerardo Valenzuela & Maria Cabrera

**Dr. George & Millie Ablin Scholarship (Nursing)**
Alisa Lush, Dania Sanchez, Elizabelle Castro, Fanoon Aloudi, Johanna Martinez, Marina Cota, Nathalin Xutuc & Stephen Sears

**Addington & Associates Architecture Scholarship**
Leslie Camarena

**Mary Ann Albanes Scholarship (Child Development)**
Mariana Martinez

**American Association of University Women**
Amber Fowler, Haylee Allen & Julia Bohan

**American Sign Language Scholarship**
Ashley Allard, Judith Mejia, Katharine Henderson & Kimberly Arizona

**Arthritis Association of Kern County Scholarship**
Sabrina Morales

**David Arthur Memorial Award**
TBD

**Bakersfield College Academic Senate Scholarship (Academic Excellence)**
Kayla Wu & Victoria Meza Monsalve

**Bakersfield College Alumni Association Scholarship**
Jordyn Daniels, Kimberly Garcia Bautista, Maribel Arredondo, Stephanie Bugarin Zaragoza & Stephanie Moraza

**Bakersfield College Choral Music (Zalud)**
TBD

**BC Chicano Cultural Center – Chicano/Latino Achievement Award**
Juliana Morales & Ruben Fonseca

**Bakersfield College Classified Memorial Scholarship**
Dennise Portillo

**Bakersfield Downtown Rotary Club - Waterman Foundation Scholarship**
TBD

**BCSGA Previously Incarcerated Award**
Emily Collins

**BCSGA Single Parent Award**
TBD

**BCSGA Taylor-Rodriguez Student Leadership for Equity Scholarship**
Anthony Colin Herrera
Wally G. Beardsley Memorial Scholarship (Academic Excellence)
  Carmia Calloway, Johanna Martinez, Jose Lopez, Ludvin Vallejos, 
  Makeira Cummings Williams & Roger Gonzalez

Jeffrey and Amy Bell Scholarship
  Deborah Sutton

Benavente - Cuellar Nursing Scholarship
  Andrew Agasid

Bill Bennett Memorial Scholarship
  Maghen Saltzman

Angelina Bertano Memorial Scholarship
  Amanda Pate, April Sieg, Brian Young, Bryn Locklear, David Delgado, 
  Eileen Negrete, Enrique Montes, Evelyn Duran, Gladis Perez, 
  Guadalupe Gonzalez Serna, Guadalupe Velasquez, 
  Irene Alvarado Topete, Jacob Settle, Janet Mize, Javonte Kingston, 
  Jennifer Juarez Gomez, Jenna Sampley, Jocelyn Ceja, Johanna Guerra, 
  Johanna Martinez, Jose Ruiz, Juliana Morales, Kevin Torres, Laura Moreno, 
  Leticia Medina, Liza Rodriguez, Ludvin Vallejos, Malcolm Jacobs, 
  Mariana Martinez, Mark Llorente, Nataly Cobarrubias, Omar Gomez, 
  Ricky Scott, Serenidy Morua, Stephanie Valdivia, Tivizay Plascencia-Rojas, 
  William Guillen & Yareli Ramirez

Patricia A. Blair Memorial Scholarship (Art/Education)
  Unique Castro

Ferris A. Boyce Memorial Radiology Technology Program Scholarship
  Brook Lee, Deidra Shell & Teresa Ortega

Bernice Braddon Scholarship
  Diana Zamora, Gissel Machorro, Jadyn Stanphill & Kimberly Poole

Luetta Bramlett Memorial Scholarship
  Jayda Boyd

Jack Brigham Scholarship
  Annabelle Recinos

Emma Buckmaster Scholarship
  Julio Garcia, Lauren Kaiser & Madison Moses

Michael and Janie Budy Scholarship
  Joshua Aubin

Bultman Family Scholarship
  Nayeli Fonseca

Kathryn Harding Burdick Nursing Scholarship
  Veronica Valadez

Butterfly Scholarship
  Elvia Castaneda

Camellia Society of Kern County Scholarship (In memory of 
Lee and Arlene Chow)
  Josue Iniguez Marin
Dolores Cerro Scholarship

Philip J. Cerro Memorial Scholarship
Emily Gonzalez

Glen Earl Chesnut Memorial Scholarship
Tiffany Zamora

Ben and Em Coale Memorial Scholarship
TBD

Gary Coats CAD Scholarship
Blaise HaHs

Continence Scholarship
TBD

Contreras Family Foundation Scholarship
Citlalli Ramirez, Karen Martinez Barajas & Kayla Montalvo

Culinary Arts Scholarship
Gabrielle Moseley & Marcia Overturf

Richard L. Davis Culinary Arts Scholarship
Marcia Overturf

George Day Memorial Scholarship (Broadcast Journalism)
Razan Makhlouf

Delta Kappa Gamma, Alpha Alpha Chapter, Scholarship
Breanna Baker, Cecille Anne Geca & Jorge Trevino

Dickson-Hansen-Hokit Memorial Scholarship (Agriculture)
Brenda Allison & Victoria Benavidez

Bona Dillon and Larry Press Journalism Scholarship
Erami Dominguez

Doctor Joe Passion & Drive Scholarship
Andrea Marchi

Dream Act Scholarship
Elizabeth Arevalo Vazquez & Gerardo Valenzuela

DSP&S Scholarship
TBD

Verona Duncan/Delta Theta Tau Gamma Xi Chapter
Andrew Agasid & Maria Cabrera
Fred and Beverly Dukes Scholarship (Education)
  Ahmed Shurbaji, Angelica Coleman, Breanna Baker,
  Diana Gutierrez, Rosales, Evelyn Grillo, Jorge Trevino, Karen Michel,
  Ruben De La Cruz & Yasmin Awnallah

Sharon Edgmon Scholarship
  TBD

Tobias J. Edgmon Memorial Scholarship (Transfer)
  Andrea Marchi & Yaritza Aguilera

EOP&S/CARE/CalWORKs Foundation Scholarship
  Alondra Avila Santana, Hilcia Ramos & Marcella Mathis-Burwell

Little Ray & Isaac Estrada Memorial Scholarship
  Guadalupe Medina

William E. Evans Memorial Scholarship (Education)
  Gisselle Melgoza

Ed & Elsie Fanucchi Memorial Scholarship
  Gabrielle Moseley, Marcia Overturf & Marina Valadez

Bill E. Farley Nursing Scholarship
  Andrew Agasid, Citlalli Ramirez, Donna Smith,
  Irene Worstell & Katey Souza

Adah Gay Scholarship (Education)
  Claudia Leal Medina & Cynthia Corrales

Phyllis R. Gold, RN Nursing Scholarship
  Brian Fujioka

Nan Gomez-Heitzeberg Future Educator Scholarship
  Hope Gonzalez

Dolores “Dee” Juanita Sanchez Gonzales Scholarship
  Yauquelin Ramirez

Manuel Gonzales Jr. Memorial Scholarship
  TBD

Stephanie Marie Gonzalez Memorial Scholarship
  Guadalupe Medina

Alice Heber Gordon Memorial Scholarship
  Adriana Zuniga

Greater Bakersfield New Car Dealers Association Scholarship
  TBD

Agnes Gruman Memorial Scholarship
  Brian Young

Jacqueline E. Gullam Memorial Early Childhood Education Scholarship
  Aundria Castro & Evelyn Grillo

Margaret Catherine Haight Scholarship
  Danielle Perez, Dorisydell Flythe, Jovani Alvarado Prieto &
  Savannah Forcillo

Harrer Family Scholarship
  Amanda Pate

Speck and Lorraine Haslam Memorial Scholarship
  Andrew Keele & Jason Plummer
Betty and Byron Hay Agriculture Scholarship
  Malcolm Jacobs
Chet Heather Memorial Math Scholarship (Transfer)
  Diana Balderas
Arthur E. Heins & Lefteria Canelides Heins Memorial Scholarship
  Erika Gutierrez & Gerardo Valenzuela
Dana Hilderbrand Merit Scholarship
  Diana Zamora
Industrial Automation Merit Award
  Andres Robles, Bernardino Maestas, Jeremy Allard, Matthew Marquardt & Oracio Valdez
International Student Affairs Scholarship
  Nafissatou Koala & Razan Makhlouf
James & Dorothea Inskeep Memorial Scholarship (History/Political Science)
  Cara Polte, Harrison Sherrill, Jessica Jensen, Julia Bohan & Samuel Varon Morales
Fred Rue Jacobs Memorial Scholarship (Academic Excellence)
  Jessica Jensen
Jazz Crusader Scholarship (Incoming Freshmen)
  Kyle Whitaker
Marguerite Johnson Nursing Scholarship
  Angela Aguilar
Wylie Logan & May Louise Jones Scholarship
  Paul Dahm & Sebastian Saldivar
Joy of Teaching Award
  Amanda Amos & Ciara Corrales
Kelly Family Scholarship
  Emilie Hollar
Verna I. Kelly Memorial Scholarship (Agriculture)
  Addison Tatum, Areanna Hernandez, Gabriel Acosta, Israel Bravo Castaneda, Jonpaul Lafever, Josue Iniguez Marin, Mariana Vazquez Aguilar, Rochelle Portillo, Valerie Samantha Ocampo & Yaritza Aguilera
Michael Kerfoot Memorial Scholarship
  Faith Gonzalez
Kern County Broadcasters Association Scholarship
  Stephanie Olachea
Kern County Historical Society-Lucretia Shoesmith Scholarship
  Annabelle Aldaco
Kern Registered Nurses Society Scholarship
  Apolinar Gomez & Esmeralda Mireles
Kimm Family Scholarship
  TBD
Louise Kruger Lambert Scholarship
  Benjamin Pizano, Robert Martinez & Trudie Goodsell
Robert B. Lambert Pre Law Award
TBD

Lawrence, Johnson, Matlock, & Bradford Scholarship (Administration of Justice)
Caitlin Valenzuela, Gissel Machorro, Jessica Flores, Jonathan Deleon & Taylor Thomas

LC Family Award
Javonte Kingston

Pat Lee Memorial Scholarship
Ahmed Shurbaji & Matthew Ford

Norman Levan Scholarship (Humanities/Science)

Marge Lindsay Scholarship (Returning)
Alena Cisneros, Amy Huerta, Brandi Moore, Christopher Billington, Erika De La Cruz, Kaitlin Mcginnis, Kassandra Sweeney, Michael Szolowicz, Michelle Ccaihuari & Taylor Thomas

Donna Litherland Scholarship
Adeline Goulding, Alexandra Thomas, Aurora Alejandre, Bleau Essen, Carolina Canales, Casandra Schafer, Claire Hill, Katharine Henderson, Kyle Whitaker, Michael Morales, Skylar Fiser & Victoria Carranza

Eileen Luevano Memorial Scholarship
TBD

Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship
Ashlei Patton, Ashley Moland, Haylee Allen, Hope Green & Shonte Hammond

Kris Kreiser Memorial Scholarship
Cristina Yribe & Mariana Martinez

Sam McCall Memorial Award (Political Science)
Alejandro Valdivia

Bruce & Terry Meier/ Scholarship
TBD

Sean Murray Memorial Scholarship
TBD
William A. Nielsen Mathematics Award
   TBD
Laurance B. and Dorothy C. Nourse Memorial Scholarship (Agriculture)
   Tyce Griswold
Occidental Petroleum Scholarship
   Jacob Santora
Oildale/Rosedale Highway Lions Club Scholarship
   TBD
Osher Scholars
   Alissa Reyes, Alondra Rodriguez, Apolinar Gomez, Arnold Barroga,
   Breanna Hernandez, Carmia Calloway, Cassandra Banales,
   Christopher Martinez, Cibeles Cabrera, David Perez,
   Dessire Rose Sampaga, Donald Frye, Elizabeth Carranza, Erika Gutierrez,
   Esther Perez, Guadalupe Medina, Irene Aguirre, Itzel Solorzano,
   Jacqueline Soto-Perez, Janet Mize, Jennifer Martinez, Jessica Lopez,
   Jessica Venegas, Jesus Aguilar, Jose Lopez, Jose Ruiz, Julio Garcia,
   Kassandra Nieto, Kayla Casimiro, Laura Moreno, Lizet Suarez,
   Makeira Cummingswilliams, Marco Fonseca Mendez, Maria Flores Fabian,
   Maria Ruelas, Mariah Bagsby, Maribel Arredondo, Melissa Fidis,
   Melissa Jobe, Melody Martinez, Miriam Gutierrez, Natalie Fuentes,
   Nayeli Fonseca, Reynaldo Sacramed, Roger Gonzalez, Sarabi Robles,
   Serenidy Morua, Shandy Johnson, Shonte Hammond, Stormie Buterbaugh,
   Thomas Constanza, Tomas Galindo, Trang Tran & Yunique De La Torre
Pavletich Family Scholarship (Agriculture)
   Guadalupe Gonzalez Serna
Parsons Family Scholarship (Education)
   Virjen Valeriano
Girish and Pragati Patel Scholarship
   TBD
Nancy J. Perkins Scholarship (Radiological Technology)
   Philip Mazure
Phillips 66 Scholarship
   Aaron Huseboe, Andrea Rodriguez, Andres Robles, Andrew Dean,
   Angel Contreras, Antonio Gonzales, Bernardino Maestas, Booker Jennings,
   Brock Bedingfield, Bryan Ramirez, Cameron Rader, Carlos Perez, Edwin
   Jimenez Garcia, Eli Prestage, Ethan Martin, Fabian Contreras,
   Gerardo Larios, Harlem Williams, Isabel Morales-Soto, Jafet Duran,
   Jeremy Allard, Juana Garcia, Kevin Salgado, Luis Flores,
   Matthew Marquardt, Matthew Perry, Noel Hernandez Castellanos &
   Victoria Garcia
Phillips 66 Women in STEM Scholarship
   Ally Foreshee, Amanda Pate, Ashley Eurioles, Avery Appleton,
   Chesley Arevalo, Ciara Corrales, Elizabeth Leung, Erika Gutierrez,
   Harmee Kaur, Haylee Allen, Jatzidy Anaya, Jennifer Villalba Zavala,
   Jessica Suarez, Leidy Jimenez Ramirez, Magda Vicente,
   Maribel Arredondo, Priya Sharma, Stephanie Moraza, Stephanie Sparling,
   Thalia Nguyen & Yasiri Ojeda
Leo J. Pierucci Memorial Scholarship  
TBD

Marie Poehner Memorial Scholarship  
Angela Aguilar, Christian Mendoza Vargas, Rose Melara, Samantha Franco & Susan Romero

Political Science Scholarship  
Estrella Ramos

Robert R. Quiggle Memorial Scholarship  
Logan Warkentin

Robert Raskind Charitable Foundation Scholarship  
Abigail Greenleaf-Porcho

Wes Record Memorial Scholarship (Agriculture)  
Guadalupe Gonzalez Serna

Re-entry Students Encouragement Scholarship  
Noemie Bishop & Samantha Frye

Nelson Richardson Award (Art)  
Abraham Perez

Larry Robinson Scholarship  
Diana Gutierrez Rosales

Don Rodewald Scholarship  
Roxanne Routh

Nancy Rouse Memorial Scholarship  
Kathleen Foulger

Saba Family Renegade Pride Scholarship  
TBD

Kim Schmidt Memorial Scholarship  
Kathleen Foulger

Second Chance Scholarship  
TBD

Robert J. and Margaret C. Self Scholarship Endowment  
Danielle Miranda

City of Shafter Scholarship (2020-2021 Recipients)  
Alejandro Valdivia, Anahi Chavez, Christian Garza, Daniel Mendoza, Jared Flores Retijin, Mindy Munoz, Narges Obaid, Oscar Valdez, Paulina Bedolla, Rebecca Fruto & Valerie Fernandez

Lucretia and Walter Shoesmith Memorial Scholarship (Education/Allied Health)  
Aundria Castro

Donna Ann Sisco Memorial  
TBD

Wendy Theresa Simon Memorial Scholarship (Child Development)  
Anai Cervantes & Jenna Sampley

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Shelby Benak

Skeet Varner Nursing Scholarship
Andrew Agasid, Angela Aguilar, Christian Mendoza Vargas, Danielle Perez, Donna Smith, Elizabeth Landa, Irene Worstell, Susan Romero & Veronica Valadez

Virginia Vasquez Scholarship
Elvia Castaneda, Praise Oo & Yulissa Ramirez Ramirez

Sergeant Patrick Vegas Memorial Scholarship
Stephanie Knight

Virtuous RN Student Award
Abigail Greenleaf-Porcho

Robb Walt Scholarship
Juana Garcia

Caroline Webber Memorial Anthropology Scholarship
Lori Bagala-DeMarco

James M. Whitehouse Family Scholarship (Re-entry)
TBD

June Williams Scholarship
Ashley Thein

Knox Williams Scholarship
Erika De La Cruz

Young Family Scholarship
TBD
Department Chairs

**Agriculture**
Heather Baltis

**Family & Consumer Education**
Suzanne Tangeman

**Allied Health**
Jacelyn Hill

**Foreign Language/ American Sign Language**
David Neville

**Art**
Kristopher Stallworth

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**Performing Arts**
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**Communication**
Helen Acosta

**Philosophy**
Michael McNellis

**Counseling**
Victor Diaz

**Physical Science**
Kenward Vaughan

**Engineering Systems**
Jason Dixon

**Social Science**
Jason Stratton

**English**
Jennifer Jett

**English for Multilingual Students**
Michael Westwood
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Bakersfield College provides opportunities for students from diverse economic, cultural, and educational backgrounds to attain Associate and Baccalaureate degrees and certificates, workplace skills, and preparation for transfer. Our rigorous and supportive learning environment fosters students’ abilities to think critically, communicate effectively, and demonstrate competencies and skills in order to engage productively in their communities and the world.

Vision
Building upon more than 100 years of excellence, Bakersfield College continues to contribute to the intellectual, cultural, and economic vitality of the communities it serves.

Values
Learning: We foster curiosity, inquiry, critical thinking, and creativity within a safe and rigorous academic environment so that we might be empowered to radically transform our community into one that gives voice and power to all people.
Integrity: We continue to develop and follow an ethical and moral consciousness which places the collective well-being and health above the self; this principled environment allows for open, constructive conversations and teaches us to trust each other’s vision so that we will be useful and effective in providing support, resources, and encouragement.
Wellness: We believe health and wellness to be integral and foundational elements, and we understand that a holistic education improves all aspects of the individual and the society including the mind, body, and spirit; through education, we will positively impact the health of the natural environment and the global community.
Diversity: We insist that diversity be valued and promoted, recognizing that multiple perspectives lead to a better education and knowledge of the world; listening and witnessing different experiences helps us to understand and contextualize power and privilege related to gender, race, class, religion, disability, and sexuality in terms of access and barriers to resources and opportunities.
Community: We commit to the wellbeing of all members of our community; we maintain strong ties with the surrounding community, and we respond to their needs by serving as an open institution which engages all students, faculty, and staff; in our college, we have built and continue to build an environment in which all members participate as a community through democratic engagement.
Sustainability: We recognize our responsibility for continuing and maintaining this institution which has been shaped by over 100 years of resolute and tenacious labor and judicious foresight, so we unceasingly place our energies into imagining how we might sustain and renew our fiscal, human, and environmental resources into the future.
Alma Mater

Our College hail to thee!
Thy name means victory.
Thy memory we'll revere
Our whole lives through

May all we ever do
Add fame and honor to
Our Alma Mater dear

All hail, all hail!

By Greg Poloynis in
the late 1930’s

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