

2013 Political Science Award Winners

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The following students were recognized this year for both on-campus and off-campus awards and honors. Congratulations!

Department Awards

Caroline L. Gross Memorial Award

Audrey Hansen
Austin Perea

The Political Science Faculty Award

Patricia Donahoe

Luther and Ruth Cross Shatterly Fund Award

Tegan O'Neill
Marlee Stever

Malcolm and Virginia Smith Prize

Nicholas Mignanelli

University Awards

Class of 1899 Prize

Megan Brabec

"To that senior who has developed the highest ideals of good citizenship during his or her course of study."

Megan Brabec '13 is a political science/international affairs major. She received a social innovation internship from The Carsey Institute in 2012 (view video) and worked at the Humanitarian Organization for Local Development (HOLD), an Afghan non-governmental organization dedicated to alleviating the sufferings of Afghan people. In addition, Megan is the President as well as Community Service and Volunteer Coordinator of The Waysmeet Center. She studied culture and development in Ecuador last spring; check out her photos and blog on CIE's Pinterest board.

<http://unh.edu/cie/newsletter/2013/spring/student-awards.html>

Erskine Mason Award

Eric Sales

"To that senior who is distinguished for most consistent progress and achievement."

Eric Sales '13 is political science/international affairs major. In 2010, he participated in an "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" project in Lyme, NH (read more). Eric is a Hamel Scholar and a McNair Graduate Opportunity Program Fellow and hopes to practice law

internationally. He previously studied abroad in Chile (see above photo).
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National Awards

Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship

Brianna Cole

Junior political science/international affairs dual major Brianna Cole is exploring Buenos Aires, Argentina, where she is studying at the University of Belgrano. She can't believe how affordable the city is; Brianna notes that the official exchange rate is about 5 pesos for \$1 USD right now. She is fascinated by Buenos Aires—a “place full of contrasts. There are skyscrapers for miles, then the next block an enormous plaza or botanical garden, extremely modern and chic buildings alongside old and worn out ones.” She has also gotten to experience a South American celebration of Carnival, the festivities right before Lent, in the small town of Gualehuaychu, where the streets become a parade of revelers selling costumes, headdresses, and glowsticks. Which is not to say that her time in country has always been an easy ride: Brianna got lost trying to navigate the public bus system on the way to the university for the first day of classes.
<http://unh.edu/cie/newsletter/2013/spring/gilman.html>

Critical Language Scholarship (CLS)

Kevin McAleese

Kevin will be headed to Azerbaijan this summer to begin studying the Azeri language (read more). Kevin is a political science/international affairs major, a member of the university's Honors Program, and active in the Model United Nations (the group won a Distinguished Delegation Award last year). To learn more about the Critical Language Scholarship Program, contact the UNH Office of National Fellowships.
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Fulbright Award Alternate

Patricia Donahoe

Patricia has been designated an alternate for a 2013 Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship to Columbia. Patricia would be placed in a classroom abroad to provide assistance to teachers of English to non-native English-speakers. English Teaching Assistants help teach English language while serving as cultural ambassadors for U.S. culture.

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