African American Studies Faculty

Simon Balto
History

Venise Berry
Journalism & Mass Communication

Tim Havens
Communication Studies

Jessica Welburn Paige
Sociology

Damani Phillips
Music

Miriam Thaggert
English

Richard Turner
Religious Studies

Deborah Whaley
American Studies

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

2018-19 AWARDS RECEPTION
HILTON GARDEN INN, APRIL 26, 2019
WELCOME
Venise Berry, African American Studies

SCHOLARSHIPS

Each scholarship is a recognition of academic excellence, personal achievement, & professional potential. They are all designed to further the student’s education & aid them in the development of future career objectives.

IOWA BLACK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP
Nicole Shaw & Jimmy Smith

PHILLIP AND BARBARA KUTZKO SCHOLARSHIP
Tiffany Tucker & Temyla Holcomb

MARIE NESBITT PROMISE PRIZE
(CHANGE, CREATE, TRANSFORM FOUNDATION)
Tiana Warner

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES MAJOR SCHOLARSHIP
Tamarah Hayslett & Tristan Schmidt

NATIONAL ASSOC. OF BLACK JOURNALISTS/ NURU SCHOLARSHIP
Grant Glover & Dillon Goncalves

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD
To recognize a campus organization, undergraduate and 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

ORGANIZATION
G!World – Raqushia Harrington, LaTasha DeLoach & Basya Miller

UNDERGRADUATE
A’lantra Wright & Arika Allen

LEADERSHIP AWARD
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 & between organizations / actions that motivate & inspire others to realize leadership potential

UNDERGRADUATE
Nate Robinson

GRADUATE
Winnie Uluocha

WORDS OF WISDOM
Melissa Shivers, Vice President for Student Life

CREATIVE ARTS AWARD
To recognize an undergraduate or graduate student for inspirational talent, motivation & creative ability

UNDERGRADUATE
Branden Shaw

GRADUATE
Jorrell Watkins & Nate Ferguson

CULTURAL APPRECIATION AWARD
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 excellence.

UNDERGRADUATE
Jasmine Kargbo
Kierrah Llanos
Anthony Haughton

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

GRADUATE
Dwain Coleman (History)
Dellyssa Edinboro (Education Policy & Leadership)
Ashley Frazier (Couple & Family Therapy)

GRADUATING AAS SENIORS
Arika Allen
Devin Francis
Tristan Schmidt
Maya Buchanan