

SPIA Awards

Ryan Eargle, UAP
BA, PUA 2006

William Murray, PAPA
MPA 1991, Ph.D. 1993
SPIA Alumni Hall of Fame

Shion Chang, MPA, Alexandria
Cristin Clague, MPA, Alexandria
Jared DeMello, MPA, Alexandria
Jane Lu, MPA, Alexandria
Andrew Morrell, MPA, Alexandria
Shelly Sugarman, MPA, Alexandria
Larkin Dudley MPA Paper Award

Henry Smart, III, PAPA, Alexandria
*Larry Terry Doctoral Paper Award:
Ph.D. Candidate Category*

Shion Chang, MPA, Alexandria
Jaimie Edwards, PAPA, Blacksburg
Founders of CPAP Scholarship

Andrew Marvin, MPIA, Alexandria
*GIA Founding Faculty Award for
Outstanding Graduating Student in NCR*

Samira Rahimi, MPIA, Blacksburg
*Robert Stuart Award for
Outstanding Graduating Student in MPIA*

Heather Lyne, MPIA, Blacksburg
*GIA Founding Faculty Award
for Graduate Student demonstrating
ideals of community engagement,
public service, and social justice*

Catherine Kiess, MPIA, Blacksburg
*GIA Founding Faculty Award for
Best Student Paper
(Thesis/Major Paper/Practicum)*

Elizabeth Stephens Beck, PGG, Alexandria
*GIA Founding Faculty Award for
Outstanding Graduating PhD Student - GG Track*

William Bryan Riddle, PGG-GG, Alexandria
*Richard E. Zody Award for
Outstanding Dissertation in
Planning, Governance, and Globalization*

Maria Elisa Vollmer, EPP, Blacksburg
*UAP Award for Outstanding
Undergraduate
Academic Achievement*

Warren Nooger, EPP, Blacksburg
*UAP Award for Growth and
Development while
in the undergraduate programs*

Morgan Altizer, EPP, Blacksburg
Emma Davidson, EPP, Blacksburg
Emma Martin, EPP, Blacksburg
Hunter Wyatt, EPP, Blacksburg
*AI Steiss Award for
Outstanding Graduating Seniors
in undergraduate programs*

Emma Buchanan, PUA, Blacksburg
*Virginia Chapter of American Planning
Association Certificate Award for
Undergraduate Student for
Professional Promise*

Spencer Shanholtz, MURP, Blacksburg
Armin Jeddi Yeganeh, MURP, Blacksburg
*Marsha Ritzdorf Award for
Best Student Paper
(Thesis/Major Paper/Practicum)*

Charles Egli, MURP, Alexandria
Cecile Newcomb, MURP, Blacksburg
*Brenda Crawford Award for
Graduate Student demonstrating the
ideals of public service and social justice*

Maeve Gould, MURP, Blacksburg
Emily Lockhart, MURP, Alexandria
*C. David Loeks Award for
Outstanding Second-year
Graduate Students in
Urban and Regional Planning*

Alex Berryman, MURP, Blacksburg
Aishwarya Borate, MURP, Blacksburg
Bryce Johnson, MURP, Blacksburg
Cecile Newcomb, MURP, Blacksburg
Sarah Steller, MURP, Alexandria
Ronnie Stephenson, MURP, Blacksburg
*American Institute of Certified Planners
Certificate Award: Graduate Student
for academic achievement*

Alex Berryman, MURP, Blacksburg
Fanglan Chen, MURP, Alexandria
Tara Reel, MURP, Blacksburg
*Virginia Chapter of American Planning
Association Certificate Award:
Graduate Students for
professional promise*

Rachel Blauman, MURP, Alexandria
Kelly Fomenko, MURP, Blacksburg
*PlanVirginia Certificate Award:
Graduate Students for service
to the program*

Aishwarya Borate, MURP, Blacksburg
Bryan Botello, MURP, Alexandria
Outstanding First-year Graduate Students

New PhDs

2016 Conferrals

Maria Adames, EDP
Binioube Aleyao, PGG
Donald Ray Back, PGG
Arnold, C. Dupuy, PGG
Sonya Lynn Finley, PGG

Trevor H. Flanery, PGG
Monica Katherine Licher, PGG
William Bryan Riddle, PGG
John R. Tennert, PAPA

Bachelors Graduating with Honors

Emma Kate Buchanan, PUA
Emma Rose Davidson, EPP
Emma Taylor Martin, EPP
Maria Elisa Vollmer Nino, EPP
Magna Cum Laude

Jessica Marie Doherty, EPP
Hunter S. Wyatt, EPP
Cum Laude

School of Public and International Affairs

AWARDS

April 2017



College of Architecture and Urban Studies

University Awards

Putu Desy Apriliani, PGG
Graduate Citizen Scholar Award

Heather Elizabeth Lyne, MPIA
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Heather Elizabeth Lyne, MPIA
*2017 John E. Dooley
Student Engagement Grant*

Promotions

Margaret M. Cowell, UAP
*With recommendation
pending VT Board of Visitors approval,
Promotion to Associate Professor with Tenure*

CAUS Awards

Meliha 'Lida' Aljabar, MURP
Outstanding Master's Student

Leigh Bower, UAP
Elizabeth Roberson Staff Excellence Award

Robin Lemaire, CPAP
*CAUS Certificate for
Excellence in Teaching*

Max Stephenson, UAP
*CAUS Certificate for
Excellence in Scholarship*

Service Awards

Matthew Dull, CPAP
Laura Jensen, CPAP
Joel Peters, GIA
Patrick Roberts, CPAP
Kris Wernstedt, UAP
Ten Years

Joyce Rothschild, GIA
Twenty-five Years

Laura French, CPAP
Thirty-five Years