

# THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES MONA CAMPUS

# FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Annual Faculty Awards Ceremony Recognizing Distinguished Academic Excellence

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Oriens Ex Occidente Lux A Light Rising from the West







On behalf of the Faculty of Science and Technology and the entire UW9 Mona family, 9 extend congratulations to all persons who will receive awards at our annual Faculty Awards Ceremony. At this year's ceremony we will highlight the achievements of over four hundred (400) students and staff during the 2019/20 academic year. We celebrate the demonstrations of creativity, innovation and academic diligence during a year which will forever be marked by the onset of the COV9D-19 pandemic. Your collective ability to pivot and triumph, notwithstanding, makes your achievements even more noteworthy and indeed worthy of celebration. Congratulations! While the pandemic requires us to celebrate in a non-customary manner do know that this is an occasion of immense pride for all of us.

To our current students, 9 urge you to maintain the excellence that has brought you this far. To our graduates, 9 implore you to make a meaningful impact on the world around you and to keep in touch with the Faculty. To our researchers, 9 encourage you to strive to produce the kind of research that benefits our local and global communities. To our staff members, continue to deliver work of the highest standard. To all awardees, know that we consider you an integral part of the FST family.

Congratulations to all our awardees! Wishing you the best in your future endeavours.

Michael Taylor, PhD Professor of Applied Physics (Climate Science) & Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology



#### CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

Dr. Marvadeen Singh-Wilmot Lecturer Faculty of Science and Technology

#### WELCOME AND REMARKS

Prof. Michael Taylor Dean Faculty of Science and Technology

#### **GREETINGS FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

Prof. Dale Webber Pro-Vice Chancellor and Principal The UWI, Mona Campus

#### MUSICAL RENDITION

#### INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER Dr. Michael Coley Lecturer Department of Chemistry

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Charah Watson Executive Director (Acting) Scientific Research Council

Presentation of Awards

#### DEPARTMENTAL PRIZES

Announcement of Awardees Dr. Donna Minott Kates Head Department of Chemistry

#### Announcement of Awardees

Dr. Daniel Fokum Senior Lecturer Department of Computing

# Announcement of Awardees

Dr. Donovan Campbell Head Department of Geography and Geology

#### Announcement of Awardees Dr. Dwiaht Rohinson

Dr. Dwight Robinson Head Department of Life Sciences

#### Announcement of Awardees Dr. Nagarani Ponakala Head

Department of Mathematics

#### Announcement of Awardees

Dr. Tannecia Stephenson Head Department of Physics

#### ACADEMIC COMMENDATIONS, DEAN'S HONOUR ROLL & BSc. FIRST CLASS HONOURS

Announcement of Awardees Dr. Sherene James-Williamson Associate Dean (Undergraduate Studies) Faculty of Science and Technology

## **GRADUATE AWARDS**

Announcement of Awardees Prof. Marcia Roye Associate Dean (Graduate Studies and Research) Faculty of Science and Technology

#### SPECIAL AWARDS

Announcement of Awardees Dr. Winklet Gallimore Associate Dean (Student Experience) Faculty of Science and Technology

#### PRINCIPAL'S RESEARCH DAY AWARDEES

Announcement of Awardees Dr. Kimberly Stephenson Lecturer Faculty of Science and Technology

#### **REPLY ON BEHALF OF THE AWARDEES**

Mr. Kesna Fairclough Undergraduate Student Faculty of Science and Technology

#### PRESENTATION TO KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Mr. Nathan Downer Graduate Student Faculty of Science and Technology

## **MUSICAL RENDITION**

#### **VOTE OF THANKS**

Mr. Oraine Campbell Graduate Student Faculty of Science and Technology

Musical Interlude



# **DEPARTMENTAL & FACULTY PRIZES**

## **DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY**

BUCKLE, Chad Miguel	The Pavelich-Honkan Prize
BURROWES, Shemar Sigismund	The Food Chemistry Prize
CLARKE, Truddi Nicole	The Bert Frazer-Reid Award
GOODEN, Justin Alexander	The L.J. Haynes Award
JAMES, Samoya Twona	The Garfield Sadler Award
LAYNE, Nadia Felecia	The Kenneth Magnus Prize for Applied Chemistry
MCKENZIE, Rochelle Antonia	The Willard Pinnock Award
MORGAN, Samonette Shavalee	The Cedric Hassall Scholarship
PINNOCK, Nadesha Sherona	The L. J. Haynes Award

#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTING**

PALMER, Matthew Alexander	The Ezra Mugisa Award
SMITH, Paul Raymond	Karl Robinson Award

#### DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AND GEOLOGY

CHEN, Isabelle Audrey	The Verner A. Zans Award (Second Year) for Best Field Map
CHEN, Isabelle Audrey	The Trevor A. Jackson Award for
	Excellence in Igneous and Metamorphic
	Petrology
WALKER, Brianna Alexis-Marie	The Charles Alfred Matley Award for Best
	First Year Student
WILLIAMS, Randy Rajay	The Raymond Wright Award for Best
	Geology Project (Final Year)

## **DEPARTMENT OF LIFE SCIENCES**

BARNABY, Nikkayla Melissa	The Devi Prasad Prize for Plant Diversity
BARNETT, Kareen	The Don Skelding Prize for Preliminary
	Biology
JONES, Nasya Lizan	The Vincent Hugh McKie Prize for 2nd
	Year Zoology
JONES, Nasya Lizan	The Ivan Goodbody Prize (Best 2nd Year
	Marine Biology Major)
ROGERS, Matthew-Pierre Andre	The Charlotte Goodbody Prize
ROGERS, Matthew-Pierre Andre	The Avinash Potluri Prize
SALMON, Ronaldo Hugh	The Lloyd Coke Prize for Plant Physiology
ZAMAN, Nahida Rashida	The Sasikala Potluri Prize for Plant Form

#### **DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**

BAKER, Robert Andre	The Merville Campbell Prize (Level I)
CAMPBELL, Akeem Akbar	The Henry-Aub Prize
HAYNES, Byron Ladaila	The Merville Campbell Prize (Level II)
LYNCH, Justin Jonathan	The Department of Mathematics Prize
	(Level I)

## **DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS**

GOODEN, Justin Alexander	The Professor John Lodenquai Prize for Introductory Physics The Michael Neville McMorris Prize
GORDON, Rene Alesi	The Michael Neville McMorris Prize
HUNTER, Jason Alexander	The Departmental (Level II) Prize The Charlton Foundation Award
LEE, Matthew Jonathan	The Charlton Foundation Award
	The Physics Honour Society Award

# ACADEMIC COMMENDATIONS SEMESTER 1

#### **PRELIMINARY LEVEL**

WHITE, Brittany Annie

WILLIAMS, Theola

#### LEVEL ONE

ATKINSON, Britnie Thaerah BARRETT, Jordan Malik DOUGLAS, Kimoy-Marie Iona DOWERS, Lyndsay Ariel GORDON, Jamelia H GRAHAM, Rajae Nicoli McLloyd GRAHAM, Sabrina JOHN, Sidney Tony JONES, Javier Shakair KARIUKI, Nikayla Shantavia MCKENZIE, Tasheka Shavell MILLER, Samoya Vanessa ROBERTS, Dayna-Ashley Viola SMALL, Dexter Aaron SPENCER, Andrea Geoseth WILLIAMS, Giffina Maleka

#### LEVEL TWO

CLARKE, Truddi Nicole GRAY, Joanna-Joy GRIFFITHS, Tetla Alvina MCKENZIE, Rochelle Antonia MORGAN, Danielle Ashleigh Abigail SMELLIE, Lateefah Anika

#### LEVEL THREE

BERONI, Shenell Latoya Amoy BRISSETT, Odane Deverney CAMPBELL, Brandon O'Neil FERGUSON, Aprille Natane HAMMOND, Amanda Michela HEWITT, Tyshona Ashlee-Kay HIGGINS, Gabrielle Joy JOHNSON, Claudine Comella LOGAN, Rochelle Jenleal MAYNE, Marje Doreen MCDONALD, Shadah Antonnet Alix RICHARDS, Candace Leesa SMITH, Lenroy Lamar

# ACADEMIC COMMENDATIONS SEMESTER 2

#### **PRELIMINARY LEVEL**

BARNETT, Kareen CLARKE, Shaunte Ronell MARSH, Kaisya Imani

#### LEVEL ONE

DUNCAN, Romeo Earl MC INTOSH, Chavé Atalia WILSON, Tamoya Anika ADAMSON, Daynan Elaine AL-SABA, Hassanah Mymunah ANDREWS, Shaquan Aqueel ASHMAN, Jordan Phillip Anthony BENJAMIN, Naomi Olivia BUCKLE, Chad Miguel BUDDINGTON, Kemeisha Antoinette BURNETT, Alexandria BURTON, Shantay Camoy CAMERON, Tyra Naomi CAMPBELL, Conroy St. Patrick CAMPBELL, Deron Ashoka CAMPBELL, Kemani Raheem CHRISTIE, Mickaella Chara Elizabeth COLLINS, Ru-Shawnie Da-Shawn CRAWFORD, Todd Dexter DAVIES, Michel DEER, Shereena Sashauna DONALDS, Keri Martina DWARIKA, Arianne Jacelle FRANCE, Shannon Shamar Justin GARTH, Shanna-Lee GAYLE, Tiah Christine GRAHAM, Bradley Anthony GREEN, Errol Anthony GREEN, Orane Ishani GRIFFITHS, David Christopher HALSTEAD, Morgen O'lievia HAYDEN, Emmellia Rosheria HAYDEN, Le-Anna O HENRIQUES, Joel Anthony HENRY, Chris-Ann Victoria HENRY, Monifa Kamoya HERNANDEZ, Kyle Christon HOWELL, Dahalia Athena JACKSON, Derron Shannon JAMES, Marlon Neil

LAWRENCE, Juanita Histassia LEWIS, Nevado Shayne MARTIN, Christopher Brian MARTIN, Rojae Dean MEGHIE, Gabrielle Tiana Annette MERCURIUS, Timera Shamara Kofiann MORRIS, Jeffery James MORRISON, Michal-Ashley Kentria MURRAY, Kelsie April-Dawn PALMER, Matthew Alexander PARAGUE, Victoria Renee PERKINS, Ashley Janelle PERRY, Alex Brandon Emanuel POMMELLS, Donjah Anthoneil RAJWANI, Roma Prakash RAYMOND, Shay-Ann Shanice REID, Kimoye Monet REYNOLDS, Deandra Eraine Alexa RICHARDS, Krysann Petrene RICHARDSON, Mikaela Chrysta RICKETTS, Survina Silkezien ROBINSON, Nazhon R ROBINSON, Roy Patrick ROBINSON, Shaquan Jahvane RODNEY, Kalia-Lee Fay-Ann ROSS, Rodje Anthony SAMUELS, Javed SHERWOOD, Me'Shale Antonia SIMMONDS, Jevaughn George SMITH, Ashli Bianca SPENCE, Michel Andrea Elaine SUCKOO, Maria Joannah WALKER, Brianna Alexis-Marie WALLACE, Juddy-Shae La Tasha WATSON, Rumaine Joel WELLER, Devinn Darnel WILLIAMS, Kimmeko WOOLERY, myesha amaya WRIGHT, Michaela Tae Jauna WU, Quintin

#### LEVEL TWO

ALEXANDER, Malik Anthony ALLEN, Kevaun Michael ASHMAN, Raymarlia Diana ATKINSON, Andre Karl BEDASSIE, Nathaniel Anthony BILLINGS, Adjaynae Adale BORELAND, Jeante Michael Wayne BOWES, Tashae Alysia BROOKS, Brian Emerson BROWN, Chadwick Maurice BUDAHI, Amoye Moyelle BURKE, Dijoun Tyreece BURKE, Patrick Ricardo BURROWES, Shemar Sigismund CAMPBELL, Akeem Akbar CAMPBELL, Tiphani Anna-K CASE, Taylor Tianna CHEN, Isabelle Audrey COAYE, Alyssa Stephanie COHEN, Dineah Shanell COHEN, Renford Dave COLLINS, Paul Samuel COWARD, Steven Akeem DALEY, Kevoy Kevin DELEVEAUX, Jacqueline Misheal DIXON, Daneele Leanne DIXON, Leshaine Kinya Khaliel DOMAN, Dana Alysa DUNCAN, Carl Anthony EDWARDS, Lashawnda Moesha Montha EDWARDS, Malik Shemar FANUS, Tajaye Francois FRANCIS, Milton Odeane GRAHAM, Mikayla Analicia GRAHAM, Nickolye Novane GRANT, Savanah Amanda GREEN, Shemar Anthony Joel HALL, Shay-Samuel Desmond HARRIS, Sheree Abigail HENRIQUES, Ashle Alicea

HEWITT, Jordan Alexander HO LUNG, Justin David JAMES, Janeil Elizabeth JAMES, Swayne Enrique JENNINGS, Daniel Imani Stephen JENNINGS, Shaun Saint Peter JOHN, Naphtali Maya Therese JONES, Gabrielle Alicia JONES, Nasya Lizan JOSEPHS, Celine Monique KELLMAN, Monique Eve LAWRENCE, Shantae Sashana LLEWELLYN, Phillip Andrè LYNCH, Rayon MCCARTHY, Tiffany Paige MERCHANT, Denique Peta-Kaye MORGAN, Samonette Shavalee NELSON, Jarda Kim-Ashley NICHOL, Daneel Aneka ORMSBY, Alexia Peta-gay PALMER, Brianna Subrenia PHIPPS, Allison Renay POLACK, Georgiann Kerreen POTTINGER, Tamalee Shanecia PREDDIE, Shandale Shakeria RHODEN, Latoya Vashti ROBINSON, Mickel Robbert SALMON, Brittani Karen SATCHWELL, Monique Mikayla SIMPSON, Abigail Georgina Ameria SMITH, Le Vaughn Le Roy SMITH, Paul Raymond TUCKER, Brandon Maik Johnathan TULLOCH, Jerome L WEISE, Ashley Asalee WILSON, Patrena Ann-Marie WONG, Garrik Neil WOOD, Jamaine Albert WRIGHT, Amarley Jamiel XIMINIES, Bradley Hugh

#### LEVEL THREE

ANDERSON, Tarique Garth BAILEY, Shaneika Rushae BARNETT, Shiyan Marvin BATTICK, Dejeon Romario BEERSINGH, Kirk-Ann Kennedi BROWN, Averton Moja Tafari BROWN, Chad Martin Marc BROWN, Jada-Rae Ivana BRYAN, Kadice Britany CAMPBELL, Monique Chris-Ann CHRISTIE, Moesha Christine CLARKE, Chris-Ann Davia COCHRANE, Samoya Abadeen DAVIDSON, Carmich Franchesca DOUGLAS, Kayon-Marie Alsie DRUMMOND, Jordan Paul Alfred EFFS, Kayla Yasmin ELLIOTT, Kennard St. Stephen FRANCIS, Delano Makhi Kezna FRASER, Brianna Felice GORDON, Rodian Danielle GORDON, Sheldon Ricardo GRAHAM, Adiuku Jasfea GRAHAM, Toni-Ann Joelle GRANT, Garfield St Peter GRANT, M'nadi Naseem GREY, Romayne Livingston HENRY, Shemar Antonio HOWLETT, Richard Alann JAMES, Javeena Jereithe JAMES, Venice Latoya JONES, Mark-Anthony Vaughn JONES, Stephanie Elaine LEVERMORE, Latisha Lorna Lacey LEWIN, Suelee Jennele LISLE, Danielle Khadesha LUNDY, Shemar Rojay MANNING, Jason Christopher

MARTINI, Malik Josiah MCINTYRE, Janelle Ashley MORGAN, Donwayne Derrick MORGAN, Kemati Oliver Tariq MUIR, Tianna Sonika MYERS, Tiana Roshana NEIL, Akeem Chanado REID, Janoi Les Hall RHULE, Lisann Rosheen ROBINSON, Christopher Paul ROBINSON, Jaleel Tahj ROSE, Toniann Moesha SCOTT, Davina Christina SHAW, Comara Johnell SIMMONDS, Samantha Sonya SIMPSON, Shadè Renaè SMITH, Nicoy Oshane SMITH, Shenelle Natasia SPENCER, Janelle Ariana Nadia STEPHENS, Keviesha Mackae STEPHENSON, Arianna Yanice STEWART, Tassan Georgia TAYLOR, Adrian Collin TAYLOR, Odesha Oneika TAYLOR, Shanta Shevanesse THOMAS, Alric Anthony THOMAS, David Derome THOMPSON, Gillian Paula TINGLIN, Shaquel Dwight WALKER, Malcolm Alexander WALKER, Mellisa Amanda WALLACE, Shantoi Danae WHITTICK, Diandra Jewel WILLIAMS, Dante Romario WILLIAMS, Jordan Jason WILSON, Jhenelle Christina WILSON, Lavonne Abigail Kristen

# **DEAN'S HONOUR ROLL**

#### **PRELIMINARY LEVEL**

COLLIE, Felecia Otain LIGHTBOURN, Joel Linguard

#### SWABY, Noellissa Jeniffer

#### LEVEL ONE

BARNABY, Nikkayla Melissa BEECHER, Nathan Patrick BENNETT, Theodore Lamar BOWEN, Earlton Kyle BROWN, Omari Chevaughn CAMPBELL, Patrece Moya CLARKE, Shavane Romaro COLE, Asha- Lee Roxene DAVIDSON, Kabian Rushane DECAMBRE, Jason Antonio DODD, Bradley Dale DOWNES, Othandrea FORREST, Jevon Shakur FRANCIS, Kymani Raheem GOODEN, Justin Alexander GORDON, Amica Ashianna GOWIE- ROBERTS, Raimona Ambrosia GRAHAM, Krystal Klair GRANT, Demitri Desmond GREEN, O'kelia Celine HENRY, Monique Gabrielle HUNTER, Jason Alexander JOHNSTON, Aaliyah Mahalia KERR, Shelby Kyra LAWRENCE, Sebastian Leonardo LEWIS, Jordan Kareem LEWIS, Shenae Shanelle LYNCH, Justin Jonathan MCCOOK, Clifton Andrae MILLS, Aliyah Marie MORGAN, Samuel Aliakil Melrick MORRISON, Alana MULLINGS, Danielle Asher NELSON, Ashlianne Annamarris NELSON, Sashana Sandra PINNOCK, Nadesha Sherona **REDWOOD**, Neikoy Akil RICHARDS, Anakai Deborah Nataliyah

ROGERS, Matthew-Pierre Andre SAMUELS, Michael Jahvoan SANGANOO, Rena-Jayne Zoya Isabella SCOTT, David Nathaniel SIMPSON, Joel SMALL, Shae-Marie Shaina STRACHAN, Teriq Shaquan SWABY, Noellissa Jeniffer SWAN, Karimah Safiya TAYLOR, Jennardo Jammoy TAYLOR, Winthrop Jardon THOMAS, Dalkeith Joshua TIBBY, Breanna Ashley WALKER, Itawnya Asheiqa WILLIAMS, Lori Elizabeth ATKINSON, Ashley Jonelle BERNARD, Akilah Christine BRYAN, Javier Tajhne Javeke CLARKE, Truddi Nicole CRUTCHLEY, Rashaun Shaquille DALEY, Kevoy Kevin EDWARDS, Malik Shemar FRANCIS, Milton Odeane FRAY, Raheema Fyola GABRIEL, Tracy Alissa GARVEY, Jordan Anthony GIBSON, Tashique Melisa GOLDSON, Michael Anthony GRAY, Joanna-Joy HAYNES, Byron Ladaila HENRY, Dominic Andre HUNTER, Jason Alexander JAMES, Kristoff Travis JENNINGS, Daniel Imani Stephen JOHNSON, Daniel Zavia JOHNSON, Shantell Jessica KELLMAN, Monique Eve LLEWELLYN, Phillip Andrè

MCKOY, Mickalia Alana MOORE, Laurel Brittany MORGAN, Danielle Ashleigh Abigail NAREDDI, Saisankeerth Reddy RAMSEY, Anthony Pete REYNOLDS, Grace Naomi SMITH, Glevaughn Gordon SMITH, Je-hiel Jotham SMITH, Shane Bryan WRIGHT, Zidane Dante Marc

#### LEVEL TWO

AARONS, Gabrielle Alexis ANDERSON, Corian Sherese CLARKE, Keano Dean CRUTCHLEY, Rashaun Shaquille GARVEY, Jordan Anthony HAYNES, Byron Ladaila NAREDDI, Saisankeerth Reddy SMITH, Je-hiel Jotham WALLACE, Asia Kenyah WILLIAMSON, Darien Donavon WILSON, Tasheika Sodney

#### LEVEL THREE

ALLEN, Scott Nicholas ANGLIN, Kenneth Von-Michael ATKINSON, Rowan Everton BAKSH, Aviesha Crystal BARNETT, Sarah Elizabeth BASS, Xavier-Jon Mario Dyllon BRYAN, Trevisa Simone CHAMBERS, Dolieth Cecile CHRISTIE, Nathaniel Mike-Anthony CLARKE, Khadeja Renee DIXON, Alanna-Paige Antionette DOWNER, Nathan Andrew EVANS, Shaniece Alecia FAIRCLOUGH, Kesna Asharnie GABRIEL, Tracy Alissa GOLDSON, Michael Anthony GREGORY, Vijay Amir

HARRIS, Aston Emanuel HENRY, Shemar Tawalda Moore LEWIN, Jordene Sharhae MOORE, Laurel Brittany MORRIS, Jonathan Zachary NEILL, Mischka Zoila NEVERS, Lanai Alauna-Shae PHIPPS, Rhadjni J'vaughn PLUMMER, Dayna-Leigh Romae RANDON, Shantal Danielle RILEY, Mickayle Rushon ROBINSON, Shane Ashani ROYE, Lori-Ann Melissa STERLING, Akili LeRoi THOMPSON, Crystal Molly Ann WALROND, Tiana Gehan Erin WHITE, Khamoi Jhonelle

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE First Class Honours

ALLEN, Scott Nicholas	Software Engineering - Mobile Application Technologies (Major)
ANDERSON, Tarique Garth	Actuarial Science (Option)
ATKINSON, Rowan Everton	Computer Science (Major), Economics (Minor)
BAKSH, Aviesha Crystal	Marine Biology (Major), Terrestrial and Freshwater Ecology (Minor)
BARNET <sup>°</sup> T, Sarah Elizabeth	Food Chemistry (Major), Chemistry (Minor), Management Studies (Minor)
BASS, Xavier-Jon Mario Dyllon	Actuarial Science (Option)
BROWN, Jada-Rae Ivana	Computer Science (Major)
CHAMBERS, Dolieth Cecile	Software Engineering - Mobile Application Technologies (Major)
CHRISTIE, Nathaniel Mike-Anthony	Computer Science (Major), Economics (Minor)
DOWNER, Nathan Andrew	Computer Science (Major)
EFFS, Kayla Yasmin	Computer Science (Major)
FRANCIS, Delano Makhi Kezna	Actuarial Science (Option)
GABRIEL, Tracy Alissa	Geography (Major), Education (Minor)
GORDON, Rodian Danielle	Biochemistry (Major), Management Studies (Minor)
GRANT, Garfield St Peter	Electronics & Computer Science (Major)
GREGORY, Vijay Amir	Mathematics (Major), Medical Physics (Major)
HARRIS, Aston Emanuel	Actuarial Science (Major)
HENRY, Shemar Tawalda Moore	Actuarial Science (Option)
HEWITT, Tyshona Ashlee-Kay	Physics (Major), Management Studies (Minor)
HIGGINS, Gabrielle Joy	Computer Science (Major)
LEVERMORE, Latisha Lorna Lacey	Biochemistry (Major), Chemistry (Minor), Economics (Minor)
MOORE, Laurel Brittany	Animal Biology (Major), Psychology (Minor)
MORRIS, Jonathan Zachary	Marine Biology (Major)
NEVERS, Lanai Alauna-Shae	Computer Science (Major)
PANTON, Deniela Candace	Biochemistry (Major), Management Studies (Minor)
PLUMMER, Dayna-Leigh Romae	Medical Physics (Major), Electronics (Minor)
RANDON, Shantal Danielle	Mathematics with Education (Major)
REID, Janoi Les Hall	Actuarial Science (Option)
RICHARDS, Candace Leesa	Geography (Major), Social Studies/ Geography Education (Minor)
ROBINSON, Shane Ashani	Marine Biology (Major), Animal Biology (Minor)
ROYE, Lori-Ann Melissa	Materials Science (Major), Chemistry (Minor)
STERLING, Akili LeRoi	Actuarial Science (Option)
STEWART, Tassan Georgia	Software Engineering (Major), Economics (Minor)
TAYLOR, Odesha Oneika	Biochemistry (Major), Chemistry (Major)
WALKER, Malcolm Alexander	Actuarial Science (Option)
WALROND, Tiana Gehan Erin	Biochemistry (Major), Education (Minor)
WRIGHT, Zidane Dante Marc	Computer Science (Major)

## **SPECIAL PRIZE**

BSC. DEGREE WITH THE HIGHEST GRADE POINT AVERAGE (4.20) BASS, Xavier-Jon Mario Dyllon | Actuarial Science (Option)

# **HIGHER DEGREES**

# MASTER OF SCIENCE

## WITH DISTINCTION

FOOD & AGRO-PROCESSING TECHNOLOGY

PATTERSON, Terri-Lee Romona VIRGO, Hensleisha Paulla-Gay

#### **MATHEMATICS**

FRANCIS, Roxanne Allyson THOMAS, Romane George Paul

#### **OCCUPATIONAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY & HEALTH**

CAMPBELL, Oraine Bindley Lindon GRANT, Stacy-Ann Stephesa LEWIS, Fayona Analesa ROBINSON, Loney Emanuel YORKE, Romari Erika

# DISTINGUISHED STUDENT AWARDS



**Ms. Jhannel Tomlinson**, PhD candidate in the Department of Geography and Geology was honoured on November 30, 2019 at the Annual Prime Minister's Youth Awards. She received the Prime Minister's Youth Award for Environmental Protection. Jhannel is an outstanding youth advocate for climate change action and coordinates the Jamaica chapter of the Caribbean Youth Environment Network (CYEN).



**Mr. Rickardo Anderson** was also honoured at the Prime Minister's Youth Awards where he received the Award for Excellence in Academics. Rickardo holds a Medical Physics and Economics Degree with First Class Honours, from The University of the West Indies, Mona. After receiving distinctions in his CAPE and CSEC examinations at Glenmuir High School, Rickardo went on to receive multiple scholarships. He was the first graduate to receive the revamped JWN Foundation

Master Blender Scholarships, both in 2017 and 2018, as well as the Dr. Joy Spence Bursary for Excellence based on his performance in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. He also gained academic commendation from the Faculty of Science and Technology and was placed on the Dean's Honour Roll for two years in a row. He went on to become the first undergraduate teaching assistant for the Faculty of Engineering at The UWI Mona.



Ms Kristinia Doughorty



Mr Aleem Mahabir



Mr Romario Anderson

**Ms. Kristinia Doughorty, Mr. Aleem Mahabir** and **Mr. Romario Anderson** were winners of the Crime and Security category, from a pool of over 100 entrants, in the 2020 Democratizing Innovation in the Americas (DIA) Labs Ideathon competition.

The competition served as a platform for young professionals to start long-term projects in community building by seeking out innovative solutions to combat the impact of the fast-spreading COVID-19 pandemic in the sectors of education, health, economic relief and crime and security. The three-member team, assisted by Dr. Robert Kinlocke (Lecturer in the Department of Geography and Geology), proposed a solution to projected increases in crime rates due to the major economic disruptions from the unprecedented global effort being undertaken to flatten the COVID-19 curve.

# DISTINGUISHED ACADEMIC AWARDEES



Prof. Noureddine Benkeblia



Dr. Donovan Campbell



Dr. Adrian Spence

**Prof. Noureddine Benkeblia, Dr. Donovan Campbell** and **Dr. Adrian Spence** received a special award from the Government of Jamaica for their involvement in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change initiative. They are authors on the IPCC Special Report on Climate Change and Land (SRCCL).



**Professor Michael Taylor** was named the 2019 Laureate of The Anthony N. Sabga Caribbean Awards for Excellence for the category of Science and Technology.

Professor Taylor is the director of the Climate Studies Group and Dean of the Faculty of Science and Technology at The UWI Mona. His remarkable career is dedicated to the study of and action on climate change throughout the Caribbean.



**Dr. Nagarani Ponakala** was awarded the Bharat Ratna Indira Gandhi Gold Medal Award for outstanding individual achievement in Education and Research for 2019, by Global Economic Progress & Research Association (GEPRA), New Delhi, India.

## DISTINGUISHED STAFF AWARDEES

# FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES (MONATS)



Mrs. Terry-Ann Collins-Fray Dean's Office, FST

**Mrs. Terry-Ann Collins-Fray**, in her post of Administrative Secretary, provides general support to the Faculty. She is proactive and solutions-oriented and will not hesitate to go the extra mile as needed to complete any project or task. When the Visibility and Engagement Officer resigned, Mrs. Collins-Fray voluntarily undertook the key duties, ensuring the visibility and viability of the online platforms, guaranteeing that information was available and accessible.

Mrs. Collins-Fray consistently delivers and exceeds service standards in the daily execution of her duties. She quietly supports the desk of the Dean, disseminates messages to the Departments and providing accurate and timely responses as required. She is a team player who is supportive of her colleagues and will provide general assistance to ensure the optimal productivity of her team. If a team member is on leave, Mrs. Collins-Fray jumps in and assists with Meetings, Seminars, Workshops, Conferences in any capacity needed. It is customary for her to check if her colleagues are well and to see how best she can assist.

Mrs. Collins-Fray is a sterling example of diligence and professionalism whose service deserves acknowledgement and high commendation.

# FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES (MONATS)



Mrs. Tracia Johnson-Blair Department of Chemistry

Mrs. Tracia Johnson-Blair can be depended on to give thoughtful consideration to challenges that arise in the Department of Chemistry and to come up with creative solutions to adequately resolve these issues. She advises on how to improve/maximize operational efficiency in the Department and how best to utilize staff. In addition, Mrs. Johnson-Blair, being mindful of the financial challenges of the University, ensures that the Department

receives value for money, using her initiative to negotiate discounts for goods and services received.

The quality of her work is consistently high, and Mrs. Johnson-Blair can be depended on to produce outputs in a timely manner. She pays keen attention to detail and timelines and has an excellent work ethic, always leading by example.

Mrs. Johnson-Blair has an excellent working relationship with all categories of staff and is the go-to-person of choice by colleagues for advice and direction in terms of conditions of service, how and where to conduct administrative transactions internally and with external clients. This is evidence of not just her knowledge base but also her affability and the ease of working with her due to her excellent people/interpersonal skills. Mrs. Johnson-Blair works well either on her own or in teams and is often co-opted to assist other departments and the Faculty Office in carrying out various projects.

Mrs. Tracia Johnson-Blair gives of her time selflessly. Not one to watch the time, she can be called on 24/7, even while on leave, when her services or presence is required in the Department. She always thinks of the individual and how changes whether University-related or of a personal nature will affect them and consequently what measures can be put in place to assist them and to mitigate against adverse consequences. All this is done while remaining steadfastly loyal to the administrative guidelines of the University.

# FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF TECHNICAL DUTIES (MONATS)



Mr. Oneil Holder Discovery Bay Marine Laboratory (DBML) Centre for Marine Sciences

**Mr. Oniel Holder** has certainly been the man for this" season"; rising to the occasion. Mr. Holder is required daily to ensure that the boats are sea-worthy, and that adequate dive equipment is available and accessible to visiting researchers and staff. Included in his list of duties is the cleaning of the foot valve (at sea) which is a component of the sea water system; a system which is especially critical to the Lab's Operation. Cleaning of the foot valve requires dexterity and good underwater skills. His demonstrated diving abilities have significantly helped to reduce the downtime of the sea water pumping system. Without a functioning system, research efforts would be hampered, and our Outreach activities would be negatively impacted (no aquarium for the visiting student groups to view).

Mr. Holder is also integral to the Hyperbaric Chamber Operation. He takes his role of saving lives quite seriously; evidenced by the attention given to supplies required for the chamber operation (e.g. oxygen) and administering the associated Preventative Maintenance Programme.

Recently, we were putting together data to facilitate an energy audit. Though Mr. Holder was on a few days' vacation leave he reported for work and ensured that the data in relation to Dives and Chamber cases was submitted: thereby meeting the very tight deadline. It should be noted that the DBML never closed its doors since the onset of COVID 19 in Jamaica and so we have had to continually assess and reassess the protocols aimed at keeping our staff and visitors safe. Mr. Holder, who is always on board with our continuous improvement plan, was asked to install a hand sanitizer unit. He responded in the affirmative and completed the task within the same workday. It would be remiss of me not to mention his assistance with the painting of areas across the compound.

Mr. Holder took advantage of the training opportunity made available to him and is now a certified Safety Director (Hyperbaric Chamber Operation). In the absence of the primary Safety Director, seventy percent (70%) of DSC (Dive Compression Sickness) cases in 2020 were led by the Assistant Safety Director, Mr. Oneil Holder. As intimated earlier, there are times when attending to Chamber Cases calls for great personal sacrifice. Suffice to say, Oneil is indeed an excellent team player who gets along with staff at every level. He is never discourteous, never gripes, is always respectful and willing to assist and go the extra mile if that is what it takes to get the job done.

Some people shine during times of uncertainty/challenges; and Oneil is one such individual. COVID 19 has certainly brought with it some negatives but it has also served to highlight strengths inherent to Mr. Holder. His calm demeanor, quick and clear thinking, results-oriented approach has augured well for him (and the Lab by extension). He is respected and admired by Management and other co-workers. It would be very difficult to find a single co-worker who could not attest to him assisting them in some way.

# FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF TECHNICAL DUTIES (MONATS)



Mr. Devon Lewis Department of Physics

Since joining the Department of Physics **Mr. Devon Lewis** has shown great initiative in the infrastructure projects he undertakes in the Department. He has coordinated the renovation of several areas including the Red Mud Lab for use as office spaces; Tutorial Room; University and Allied Workers Union (UAWU) Staff Room; the installation of a walkway through Physics Quadrangle and repairs to the roof of the Radioecology Lab. Mr. Lewis shows diligence in following up on outstanding matters and provides solutions when challenges are encountered in the execution of projects.

Diligence is at the core of Mr. Lewis' work ethic. His punctuality, persistence in seeing projects through to completion and his attention to detail are some of the areas that are commendable. Mr. Lewis responds promptly to internal and external stakeholders on a consistent basis. His commitment is displayed in his constant willingness to take a hands-on approach towards his assignments including sourcing materials with team members or becoming physically involved in the project and getting his hands dirty (literally). There is always a willingness to go beyond the call of duty or job description.

Mr. Lewis leads the Infrastructure Team in the Department of Physics. He has a calm and respectful manner that attracts the respect of his colleagues. He liaises with Team Members in Physics and The UWI to ensure that infrastructure issues brought to his attention are addressed in a timely manner. He was an instrumental player in the installation of screens / sneeze guards throughout the Faculty.

# FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE PROVISION OF SUPPORT SERVICES (UAWU)



Mrs. Winnifred Worrell Department of Chemistry

**Mrs. Winnifred Worrell** can always be depended on to give a helping hand in the Department whether it means taking on additional duties due to the absence of a colleague or her active involvement in the Department of Chemistry's annual Labour Day project.

For many years Mrs Worrell was assigned one of the largest laboratory spaces and the second largest lecture theatre in the Department of Chemistry, due to their physical proximity; both of which had to be ready for use early every workday. Mrs Worrell would always ensure that she is on time and would work diligently and professionally to ensure that her assigned spaces were well-prepared in time for classes, leaving no room for complaints.

Mrs Worrell treats all with respect and is well respected in return. Her cheerful demeanour is a pleasure to behold and facilitates her ease of interaction with members of and visitors to the Department. Always helpful, Mrs Worrell works well with other members of the service staff, the technical staff in her assigned laboratory and members of academic staff with whom she interacts daily. As one of the more mature staff members she provides positive leadership to the junior service staff members who all look up to her.

Mrs Winnifred Worrell embodies dependability and exhibits a love for and commitment to the Department of Chemistry and to The University of the West Indies which is worthy of emulation. Not a complainer, Mrs Worrell would willingly come in on Saturdays to ensure that her laboratory is adequately prepared for the Saturday stream.

# FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE PROVISION OF INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES (MITS)





Ms. Shakarah McCrae



Mr. Andre Forbes



Mr. Ishmael Preston



Mr. Peter-Jon Lawrence



Ms. Shauna Spence

The Instruction Support Systems (Digital and Social Media Production Unit) employs media production techniques and technologies to support the University's core business of teaching and learning. The unit also operates the Mona Campus' live event and video publishing and hosting platform - UWI Mona Media - on YouTube and other social media channels.

# **PRINCIPAL'S RESEARCH AWARDEES 2020**

## THE BEST RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS



Prof. Mona Webber Department of Life Sciences



Ms. Deanna Rose ICENS

**Research Title:** Characterization of microplastics in the surface waters of Kingston Harbour, Jamaica.



Prof. Noureddine Benkeblia Department of Life Sciences



Prof. Mitko Voutchkov Department of Physics



Mr. Da-Vaugh Sanderson Department of Physics

**Research Title:** Bioaccumulation of cadmium in potato tuber grown on naturally high levels cadmium soils in Jamaica.



Dr. Tameka Royal-Thomas Department of Mathematics

**Research Title:** Use of a public park for physical activity in the Caribbean: evidence from a mixed methods study in Jamaica.



Dr. Tanya Kerr Department of Physics

**Research Title:** The use of Raman Spectroscopy to monitor phase changes in concrete following high temperature exposure.

# THE MOST OUTSTANDING RESEARCHER/RESEARCH ACTIVITY



Dr. Andrea Goldson-Barnaby Department of Chemistry

**Research Title:** Biochemical properties of tree ripened and post-harvest ripened Mangifera indica (cv. East Indian). [With four other Research Articles]



Dr. Peter Nelson Department of Chemistry

**Research Title:** A theoretical assessment of the primary hydration shell formation for calcium pyrophosphate. [With three other Research Articles]



Dr. Venkateswara Penugonda Department of Physics

**Research Title:** Spectroscopic and electrical investigations of copper ions in PbO–GeO2 glasses. [With four other Research Articles]

# **RESEARCH PROJECT ATTRACTING MOST FUNDS**



Prof. Michael Taylor Department of Physics



Dr. Tannecia Stephenson Department of Physics



Dr. Kimberly Stephenson Department of Life Sciences



Dr. Dale Rankine Department of Physics



Mr. Patrick Lewis Department of Life Sciences

**Research Title:** Resilience Strengthening to Climate Change Impacts through Youth Education in Primary Schools

# RESEARCH PROJECT WITH GREATEST BUSINESS/ECONOMIC/ DEVELOPMENT IMPACT



Prof. Simon Mitchell Department of Geography & Geology



Dr. Rose-Ann Smith Department of Geography & Geology



Dr. Arpita Mandal Department of Geography & Geology



Dr. Taneisha Edwards Department of Geography & Geology



Dr. Robert Kinlocke Department of Geography & Geology



Prof. Mona Webber Department of Life Sciences



Ms. Patrice Francis Department of Life Sciences



Mr. Camilo Trench Department of Life Sciences



Dr. Adrian Spence ICENS

**Research Title:** Assessment and Economic Valuation of Coastal Protection Services Provided by Mangroves in Jamaica

# REMEMBRANCE

The Faculty of Science and Technology extends condolences to the families, colleagues and friends of our staff members and student who passed away during the 2019-2020 academic year. We are using this occasion to celebrate their life and the indelible contributions that they have made to the Faculty.



**Ms. Abbrielle McCalla** was a first-year student in the Department of Geography and Geology. Our deepest condolences also go out to her first-year classmates from the FST family with whom she formed good relationships during the semester.



**Ms. Tanhe Sang** passed away on Saturday, July 18, 2020. Miss Sang worked as an Office Attendant in the Department of Life Science, Port Royal Marine Lab from 2018 up to the time of up of her death.



**Ms. Yvonne Francis** was employed to The University of the West Indies, Mona as a Chief Office Attendant in the Department of Mathematics in the Faculty of Science and Technology from 2012 up to the time of her death.



**Professor Henry Ellis** joined the staff of The University of the West Indies, Mona in 1982 as a Lecturer in the Department of Chemistry. He was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 1987, and then to the rank of Professor in 2011.

Professor Ellis provided leadership as Head of the Physical Chemistry Section for some 21 years. His distinguished record of original work in the area of liquid crystals, the thermal behaviour of soaps and in organic salts which are essential elements in the human diet, produced a number of publications in many international peer reviewed journals. He was a dedicated educator who supervised MSc and PhD candidates and taught within the chemistry programme across all four campuses of The UWI. With an avid interest in sports, Professor Ellis served as the Deputy UWI representative on the Jamaica Cricket Board and was the first chairman of the Intercampus Games Committee at Mona. He actively participated in interdepartmental sporting activities and for many years captained the UWI Staff Cricket Team.



**Dr. Williard Pinnock** was employed to The University of the West Indies, Mona in 1982 as a Lecturer in the Department of Chemistry and was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 1999.

An enthusiastic educator, he was celebrated as an outstanding lecturer by his students and his peers and he received several awards to support this fact, including the Monsignor Gladstone Wilson award for teaching, the UWI/Guardian Life Premium Teaching Award, and the Vice Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

Following his retirement in 2010, Dr. Pinnock continued to serve the Department as an adjunct lecturer and a consultant up to 2019.



**Professor Tara Prasad Dasgupta** joined The UWI family in 1974 as a lecturer in physical chemistry in the Faculty of Natural Sciences (now Faculty of Science and Technology). Within six years of joining The UWI he was named the first Professor of Inorganic Chemistry. He later served as the Head of the Department of Chemistry for the period of 1992-2002 and under his leadership, the research infrastructure of the Department was significantly improved with state-of-the-art equipment that helped contribute to vibrant research programmes.

Always a man of science, Professor Dasgupta's research interests included: Inorganic Reaction Mechanisms which extended to Synthesis and Reactivity of Novel Polynuclear Complexes; Electron Transfer involving Biological Reductants; Toxic substances in Foods; Degradation of pesticides in tropical ecosystems; and Nitric Oxide releasing compounds and their biological applications - to name a few. Through his work, the Department of Chemistry gained regional and international recognition for its outstanding research work in Reaction Mechanisms with over 100 papers published in this field. He supervised over 50 graduate students (35 Ph.D. and 18 M.Phil) and forged critical partnerships with local, regional and international entities e.g. Tanuad International, which brought regional and international expertise, capacity and recognition to The UWI.

Professor Dasgupta was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry, London and Caribbean Academy of Sciences, as well as the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry. His eminence in the field of science earned him an invitation from the Noble Prize Committee of Sweden to nominate candidates for this prestigious award. For three consecutive years, he received The UWI Vice-Chancellor's award and Principal's award for his outstanding research work. He is included in several biographical reference books such as Who's Who in the World, Who's Who in the Commonwealth, International Book of Honour, Men of Achievement and Personalities in the Caribbean.

Professor Dasgupta served the Faculty and the UWI Mona community in numerous other capacities, including: Head of the Electronics Unit in the Faculty, Head of the Jamaica Racing Commission (JRC) Testing Laboratory and as manager of the Mechanical Engineering Workshop on campus. In 1995 Professor Dasgupta established The UWI's Pesticide Research Laboratory to help monitor the levels of pesticides in agricultural products and organic pollutants in the environment. He was most recently involved in the creation of The Centre for Advanced Research in Renewable Energy (CARRE) and the construction of the Caribbean region's first Net Zero Energy Building (NZEB) located on the Mona campus of The UWI.

Leading up to his retirement (September 2006) in addition to his duties in Chemistry, he contributed to the School of Education (B. Ed. Secondary Distance Project).

Following his retirement, the title of "Professor Emeritus" was conferred upon him by The University of the West Indies (2009) and in 2013 the title of "Honorary Research Fellow". The Jamaican Government conferred the Honour of the order of Distinction in the rank of Commander (CD) in recognition of his significant contribution to science, education and research in 2013 and in 2019, he was presented with the Musgrave Silver Medal, again in recognition for his many contributions to science, education and research.

He was a Founding Member of the Caribbean Academy of Sciences, Jamaica - an independent non-profit charitable organization legally registered with the Government of Jamaica for promoting science and technology in Jamaica (founded in 2010), and he was a former President of the regional Caribbean Academy of Sciences.

The significance of Prof Dasgupta's contribution to science and his lifetime of work at The UWI is second to none.



**Mr. Peter Gayle** was employed to The University of the West Indies, Mona as the Principal Scientific Officer at the Discovery Bay Marine Laboratory (DBML) in 1985 up to the time of up of his death. He was a founding member of The UWI Sub Aqua club, assisting in training the majority of Jamaica's Scuba diving marine scientists.

Mr. Gayle was a dedicated Caribbean Coral Reef scientist and is responsible for developing the Acropora Iron Reef (AIR) coral nursery and the first successful coral microfragmentation nursery at the DBML. He was the UWI's representative on the Board of the Association of the Marine Laboratories of the Caribbean (AMLC) for over 15 years.

Mr. Peter Gayle passed away on Friday, April 17, 2020.

# DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

#### **DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY**

The Cedric Hassall Scholarship The Cedric Hassall Prize is the premier award in the Department of Chemistry. It was first awarded as a prize in 1971 and was given to the Chemistry student who had shown the best overall performance in the examinations associated with the first year of advanced Chemistry courses. This prize has been upgraded to a Scholarship and is awarded to a final year student majoring in Chemistry who satisfies the above criteria. The scholarship is named in honour of Professor Cedric Hassall (1919-2017), the first Professor of Chemistry at the University and former Head of the Department of Chemistry (1948-1957), who delivered the inaugural lecture to the original batch of medical students. It is intended to foster and encourage students to achieve standards of excellence which Professor Hassall insisted should be the hallmark of students pursuing courses in Chemistry. The prize was established largely through the initiative of Professor Gerald Lalor during his tenure as Head of the Department.

The Bert Fraser-Bertram Fraser-Reid is a synthetic organic chemist who has **Reid Award** been recognized worldwide for his work in carbohydrate chemistry and his effort to develop a carbohydrate-based malaria vaccine. He earned his BSc and MSc degrees at Queen's University in Canada and a PhD at the University of Alberta in 1964 before doing post-doctoral work with Nobel Laureate, Sir Derek Barton from 1964-1966. In 2007, the Institute of Jamaica awarded the Musgrave Gold Medal to Prof. Fraser-Reid for his outstanding work in Chemistry. Apart from his interests in science, he is an accomplished musician who has given piano and organ recitals at several notable venues. The Bert Fraser-Reid Award is given to a student with the second best academic performance in the advanced Organic Chemistry courses. The awardee should not simultaneously hold any other Chemistry Department prize.

The Willard Willard Pinnock served the Department of Chemistry for Pinnock Prize more than 29 years and retired as a Senior Lecturer in Physical Chemistry in 2011. He is known for his outstanding contribution to teaching and to student guidance and welfare and has been recognized several times by the Faculty for his high scores on the student assessment surveys. He was the first recipient of the Guardian Life Premium Teaching Award at Mona in the academic year 2003/04 and later that year he also received the Vice Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching. A UWI alumnus, he earned both BSc (Chemistry and Physics) and MSc (Atmospheric Physics) degrees from the University of the West Indies and holds a PhD degree in Medical Bio-Physics from the University of Dundee. The Willard Pinnock Prize is awarded to a Chemistry Major who has the best academic performance in the physical chemistry core courses CHEM2310 and CHEM3310 and who is pursuing a major in chemistry. The awardee should not simultaneously hold any other Chemistry Department prize.

#### The Wilfred Chan Award

Wilfred Chan completed the requirements for the BSc degree in 1952 and then went on to pursue research under the direction of Prof. Cedric Hassall. He completed his research in 1956 and was the first West Indian to receive the PhD degree at Mona. In 1959 he was appointed Lecturer and began a vigorous research programme and rose through the ranks to become the first West Indian to be promoted to a personal chair (1971). In 1966 the Chemistry Department hosted the first Mona Symposium (on Natural Products Chemistry) with him as its Organizing Secretary. Prof. Chan later served as Head of the Chemistry Department at Mona from 1972 to 1975. In 1979, he moved to the St. Augustine Campus to boost research efforts in its young Chemistry Department. He retired from St. Augustine in 1997, having served as Head and Dean during his tenure there. Prof. Chan's contributions over the years to natural products chemistry are internationally recognized. The Wilfred Chan Award was first made in 2000 and is for a student who has the best academic performance in the advanced Organic Chemistry core courses and who is pursuing a major in Chemistry. The awardee should not simultaneously hold any other Chemistry Department prize.

The Garfield Garfield Sadler graduated from the Chemistry Department Sadler Award of the University of the West Indies, Mona, with a degree in Special Chemistry in 1980. He then pursued doctoral studies in Inorganic Chemistry under the supervision of Professor Tara Dasgupta and graduated three years later with a PhD degree, having specialized in the study of Reaction Mechanisms. In 1983 Dr. Sadler joined the staff of the Department as a Lecturer of Inorganic Chemistry. This marked the start of a vibrant career in teaching and research. His contribution, however, to the development of Chemistry was short-lived as he died tragically in 1991. The Garfield Sadler Award, which is a tribute to the life and work of Garfield Sadler, is presented to the student with the best academic performance in the inorganic chemistry core courses CHEM2110 and CHEM3110 and who is pursuing a major in chemistry. The awardee should not simultaneously hold any other Chemistry Department award.

The Leonard J. Professor Leonard J. Haynes joined the staff of the Haynes Award Chemistry Department, University College of the West Indies, in 1956. A Natural Products Chemist by training, he was instrumental in launching the Mona Symposium in 1966 and it remains the longest running conference of its kind within the Caribbean. He served the Department as Professor, carrying out research and lecturing in Organic Chemistry, and was the second Head of Department, leaving in 1968. The award named in his honour is presented annually to the student with the best academic performance in the Introductory Level Chemistry courses and who is proceeding to Level II courses. Seed funding for the award came from a donation made by his widow, Mrs. Mary Haynes, in January 1994, and the award was first handed out in 1998. The awardee should not be in receipt of any other Chemistry Department prize in the year of consideration.

The Pavelich/Honkan Prize Michael Pavelich, Professor of Chemistry at the Colorado School of Mines, U.S.A., spent a year as a Visiting Professor in the Department of Chemistry as a sabbatical replacement

for Professor Tara Dasgupta during 1984-85. At the end of his stay, he donated funds towards a prize to recognize scholarship and excellence among Level I students. Dr. Vidya Honkan completed her PhD degree in organic chemistry in 1980 under the supervision of Professor Wilfred Chan and Dr. Basil Burke. While visiting the U.S.A. she died in a tragic automobile accident. Her husband later visited the Department and made a donation to establish an award in commemoration of his wife's love for Chemistry. The Pavelich/Honkan Prize, named in honour of Prof. Michael Pavelich and Dr. Vidya Honkan, is awarded to a student who has the third best academic performance in the Introductory Level Courses in Chemistry and who is proceeding to Level II courses. The awardee should not be in receipt of any other Chemistry Department prize in the year of consideration.

The FoodThe Food Chemistry Prize was first awarded in 2016. It isChemistry Prizeawarded to a final year student who is currently enrolled as aFood Chemistry Major and who has the best academicperformance in the courses comprising the major. Theawardee should not simultaneously hold any otherChemistry Department prize.

The Chemistry The Chemistry Department Prize is awarded to a student who has the second best academic performance in the Introductory Level Courses in Chemistry and who is proceeding to Level II courses. The awardee should not be in receipt of any other Chemistry Department prize in the year of consideration.

The Kenneth E. Kenneth Magnus was a member of the first batch of Magnus Applied students who graduated from the then University College of **Chemistry Prize** the West Indies. He completed a Masters and a PhD in the Department of Chemistry at UWI. He subsequently lectured in the Department retiring as Professor of Applied Chemistry. During his tenure at the UWI, Professor Magnus served in the capacity as Head of the Department of Chemistry (1977-1986) and Dean of the Faculty of Natural Sciences. He was the driving force behind the establishment of the Applied Chemistry Programme in 1969 and subsequently the Food Chemistry Programme in 1982. The Kenneth Magnus Prize is awarded to a final year student who is currently enrolled as an Applied Chemistry Major and who has the best academic performance in the courses comprising the major. The awardee should not simultaneously hold any other Chemistry Department prize.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTING**

The Karl Robinson Award in Computer Science The Karl Robinson Award is a tribute to the life and work of the late Karl Robinson who distinguished himself as an invaluable member of the then Department of Mathematics & Computer Science. This award is presented to a final year student with the best academic performance in Computer Science. The winner of this award is the student with the highest average in first year, second year and Semester I of the third year Computer Science courses. In case of a tie, the award will be split equally among the winners. NCB Best Second Year Computer Science/Software Engineering Award

> The NCB Best Second Year Information Technology Award

The Ezra Mugisa Award The National Commercial Bank Jamaica Ltd. celebrates the achievement of excellence in a field of study that will directly impact the digital economy. The winner of this award is the student with the highest average in first year, and Semester I of the second year Computer Science/Software Engineering courses.

The National Commercial Bank Jamaica Ltd. recognizes the accomplishments of future contributors to the ICT sector in Jamaica. The winner of this award is the student with the highest average in first year, and Semester I of the second year Information Technology courses.

The Ezra Mugisa Award was introduced in 2020/2021 by the Department of Computing in honour of Dr. Ezra Mugisa in recognition of his contribution to the Department and as a motivation to the students of Computer Science. This award is a tribute to the work of Ezra Mugisa who retired from the University in 2018. He distinguished himself as an invaluable member of the Department of Mathematics & Computer Science and later the Department of Computing. He joined the UWI, Mona Campus in 1982 as a Data Controller in the then Sub-Department of Computer Science and subsequently obtained his Ph.D. in Computer Science at Imperial College, University of London. Dr. Mugisa taught numerous courses at both the B.Sc. and M.Sc. levels and served several terms as Head of the Computer Science Section and later as Head of the Department of Computing. The award is presented to a second-year student with the highest average in first year and Semester I of the second year Computing courses.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY & GEOLOGY**

The GeologicalThisSociety ofoutsJamaicaprogScholarshipsupp

This scholarship was inaugurated in 1981 to identify outstanding students in the undergraduate Geology programme and to single out such talent for recognition and support. This award is made to a student who possesses outstanding scholastic abilities and has secured excellent grades at two successive University Examinations. The Level I Geology Prize (Sponsored by the Geological Society of Jamaica) is awarded to the geology student with the best Level I results. The Level II Geology Prize (Sponsored by the Geological Society of Jamaica) is awarded to the geology student producing the best geology field map in GEOL2204. The Level III Geology Prize (sponsored by the Geological Society of Jamaica) is awarded to the geology student producing the best final year research project.

The Barry FloydThe Department of Geography & Geology has given this<br/>award in honour of Professor Barry Floyd, who was the first<br/>Head of the Department of Geography in the early 1960's.<br/>This award is for the best undergraduate dissertation.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF LIFE SCIENCES**

The Don Skelding Prize

Professor Arthur Donald Skelding, D.Sc. was the secondProfessor of Botany at the University of the West Indies,Mona from 1955 to 1973. When he returned to Jamaica in

June 1985 in his capacity as External Examiner for the B.Sc. in Botany, he made a donation to the Botany Department, now Life Sciences, which the then Professor of Botany invested. The interest from that investment is used for an annual prize to the best student in the Preliminary Biology.

The Sasikala Dr. Sasikala Potluri joined the then Department of Botany, Potluri Prize Demonstrator, Teaching Assistant and finally a Lecturer, when she resigned in August 2004. Dr. Potluri has contributed significantly to the Department's teaching programme at all levels with great success as well as providing a thrust in Horticulture and Tissue Culture. The award named in her honour will be presented annually to the student with the best performance in Seed Plants.

# The Lloyd B. Coke Prize in Plant Physiology Plant Physiology Prize in his honour after his sudden death on 31 December 1990. This prize is awarded every year to the student who obtains the highest mark in Plant Physiology. This prize is maintained by contributions from the Consultancy Fund of the former Botany Department.

- The Charlotte Mrs. Charlotte Goodbody was employed as a Teaching Goodbody Prize Assistant in the then Department of Zoology, now Life Sciences, with responsibility for the first-year classes (Cell Biology and Animal Diversity). She conducted laboratory classes and occasionally gave lectures. Her fascination with Experimental Biology and Zoology made her an invaluable resource to the first-year students, demonstrators and lecturers for many years. She retired in 1989 and now lives in Aberdeen. The award named in her honour, made for the first time in 2011, is a book grant to be given to the best student in the first year (first semester) courses.
  - The Avinash<br/>Potluri PrizeThe prize has been established by his parents Dr. Devi<br/>Prasad and Dr. Sasikala Potluri, former Senior Lecturer and<br/>Lecturer respectively in the Department of Life Sciences.<br/>This prize is in memory of their late son, who read Animal<br/>Diversity during his undergraduate years at the University<br/>and stated it to be a turning point in his life. The student with<br/>the best performance in the first year Animal Diversity will<br/>receive the prize.
- The Devi PrasadDr. Devi Prasad joined the then Department of Botany, nowPrizeLife Sciences, in October 1979. He was a former Head of<br/>the Department of Botany. Dr. Devi Prasad had served the<br/>University for 23 years, when he resigned in August 2003 as

Senior Lecturer. He has carried out extensive research in Algal Physiology, Marine Plants, Natural Products and Water Pollution. The award named in his honour, awarded for the first time in 2007, is to the student with the best performance in the first year Plant Diversity course. The Vincent McKie Prize in Zoology Vincent Hugh Wilson McKie, in addition to being a Zoologist, was President of the Guild of Undergraduates, Hall Chairman for Taylor Hall, President of the UWI Drama Club, and President of the UWI Camera Club and of the Tennis Club while attending the UWI. He achieved excellence as a science teacher and was awarded the Silver Musgrave Medal for his work in (a) the Sciences (b) Education and (c) the Fine Arts. This Award in his honour is based on the results of the examinations taken at the end of Level II of the Degree Programme and is given to a student with high grades in the Level II Zoology courses. The award is not based on academic excellence alone, but also takes into account participation in extra-curricular activities.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**

- The Department<br/>of Mathematics<br/>PrizeThe Department of Mathematics has donated funds for the<br/>award of an annual prize to the best second year student in<br/>Pure Mathematics. The purpose of this prize is to<br/>encourage and reward students for outstanding<br/>performance.
- The MervilleThe Merville Campbell Prize was established by the<br/>Mathematics and Computer Science Department in 1995 in<br/>memory of Merville Campbell who had served the<br/>Department of Mathematics for several years. It is given to<br/>the student with the best performance in MATH1140 and<br/>MATH1150 and the student with the best performance in<br/>Level II Mathematics.
- The Henry-Aub<br/>PrizeThe Department of Mathematics established the Henry-Aub<br/>Prize in the 2015/16 academic year. This award is given to<br/>students with the best grades in Pure Mathematics courses at<br/>Level II.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS**

Level II-Departmental Prize The Department has been awarding prizes for many years to students who do well in the Level II examinations. The purpose is to reward and encourage, and so only those students who go on to Level III Physics qualify. It is possible, in any case, that no prize is awarded if no student gains a good enough grade, B+ and better. The two students with the highest marks are awarded prizes.

Professor John Lodenquai Prize for Introductory Physics The John Lodenquai Prize has been established by the family of the late Prof. John Lodenquai, a graduate and former Professor in Astro-Physics and a graduate of the University of the West Indies. It is to be presented to the student with the best performance in Level I Physics. The Michael The Michael Neville McMorris Prize is named in honour of the late Dr. Michael Neville McMorris, a former Dean of the Faculty of Science and Technology and Head of Department of Physics. The prize is awarded to an outstanding Level II/III Jamaican student pursuing a major/programme in the Department (with priority given to General Physics) and who shows leadership and is involved in extracurricular activity.
 The Charlton The Charlton Foundation Award is a bursary to assist undergraduate students pursuing a major/programme in the

Foundation Award in Poundation Foundation Award is a bulsary to assist undergraduate students pursuing a major/programme in the Department of Physics who may have financial need. The award was launched in 2020 by Candice Charlton, a physics postgraduate student, who recognized the additional challenges some students were experiencing in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The award acknowledges academic excellence, leadership and involvement in extracurricular activity.

The PhysicsThe Physics Honours Society Award is a bursary thatHonours Societyrecognizes academic excellence of an undergraduate studentAwardwho is or has been a member of the Physics HonoursSociety and is pursuing a major/programme within the<br/>Department of Physics. The award acknowledges leadership<br/>and involvement in extracurricular activity.

# NOTES

Thank you for attending the Ceremony. Congratulations to all Awardees!



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