

Bunker Hill Community College

# *Scholarships and Awards*



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*Presiding*

James F. Canniff, Ed.D.  
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*National Anthem*

performed by  
Sergeant James Connor, Massachusetts State Police

*Welcoming Remarks*

William J. Walczak, *Chair, Board of Trustees*  
James W. Murphy, *President, BHCC Foundation*  
Pam Y. Eddinger, Ph.D., *President*

*Faculty/Professional Staff Speaker*

Kimberly M. Frashure, Ph.D.  
*Professor, Engineering and Physical Sciences Department*

*Presentation of Scholarships and Awards*

*Presentation of Departmental and Academic Excellence Awards*

*Presentation of Medals to Commonwealth Honors Students*

*Recessional*

*Reception*

Janet Bergstrom and Mark Riley, American Sign Language Interpreters,  
certified by the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf  
and the Massachusetts Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Kindly mute all cell phones during the ceremony

# 2018 Scholarships and Awards

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*Spring 2018 Academic Excellence Award  
 for Continuing Students*

LOUISA M. HARRIMAN  
 ZAINAB LAKHANI  
 SARAH R. LESNIAK  
 AMEENA SAJJAD  
 JACQUELINE L. SCANNELL

This scholarship is awarded to continuing students who have earned at least 15 credits at BHCC and achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher.

*Fall 2018 Academic Excellence Award  
 for Continuing Students*

KEVIN C. CONROY  
 MELISSA A. D'AMICO  
 ROMINA GJACAJ  
 BAILEY E. PALMQUIST  
 MORINDA PILGRIM

This scholarship is awarded to continuing students who have earned at least 15 credits at BHCC and achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or higher.

*Bunker Hill Community College Commonwealth  
 Honors Program Scholarship for Continuing Students*

DIEYNABA AWA NDIAYE

Awarded to a continuing student enrolled in the Commonwealth Honors Program; the recipient must demonstrate academic excellence and evidence of completion of Honors Program contracts.

*Bunker Hill Community College Commonwealth  
 Honors Program Scholarship for Graduating Students*

MENGTING WANG

Given to a graduating Commonwealth Honors Program student who has completed program requirements and plans to attend a four-year institution.

*Foster Furcolo Scholarship*

DANIELA CARVAJAL

This merit-based scholarship is awarded to a Fall 2017 BHCC graduate or to a Spring 2018 BHCC graduating student with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher who is a resident of Massachusetts and accepted for admission to UMass-Boston for the Fall 2018 semester.

*Student Government Association Leaders of Tomorrow  
 Scholarship for Continuing Students*

SHIH-TIEN CHEN  
 IRIS M. HUERTAS

Established by the BHCC Student Government Association, this award goes to two continuing students who are enrolled in six or more credits and who best demonstrate academic achievement and outstanding leadership.

*Maurice F. O'Shea Trustees' Academic Award*

STEPHANIE ETIENNE  
 JENNIFER B. OLIVEIRA

This is awarded to one or more continuing students who have demonstrated outstanding academic excellence while attending BHCC. Applicants must indicate how they have contributed to the institutional values of the BHCC community.

*Trustees' Service Award*

OLIVIA MATTSON

The Trustees' Service Award is given to a continuing student who has demonstrated academic achievement and performed outstanding community service while attending BHCC. Community service includes civic responsibility/civic engagement or volunteer service.

*Frank J. Bellairs Memorial Scholarship*

DEREK A. JACOB

Established in memory of Frank Bellairs, a Culinary Arts student at BHCC, this scholarship is awarded to a first-year Culinary Arts student for the purpose of purchasing books, supplies, uniforms or for tuition and fees.

*The Bethoney Family New Beginnings Scholarship*

AMANDA M. SAMPAIO

Established in 2015 by Jessica Bethoney, an English Department faculty member, this scholarship is awarded to a student with an immigrant background, a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and significant financial need.

*Deputy Warden John A. Blaney Scholarship*

DEISI A. SUAREZ MOLINA

This scholarship is made possible through the generosity of the children of the late John A. Blaney, Deputy Warden of the Charlestown State Prison, which was located at the current site of BHCC. The scholarship is awarded to a student majoring in Criminal Justice with a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

*Boston Sand & Gravel Company Scholarship*

JOAO BARROS

RACHAEL L. DAVIS

Established in 2000 by the Boston Sand & Gravel Company, Inc., this scholarship is awarded to two full-time BHCC students who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, exemplify the institutional values of the College, demonstrate dedication to their field of study and intend to complete their associate degree at BHCC.

*Brandy R. Bonney Memorial Scholarship*

ANA M. LANDAVERDE

Established in memory of Brandy Bonney, this scholarship is awarded to an honors graduate of Somerville High School who was an active member of the high school and community and is or was a resident of the Somerville Housing Authority.

*Bunker Hill Community College  
Charlestown Resident Award*

MILICA GAJIC

This scholarship is awarded to a new or continuing BHCC student in good academic standing who is a resident of Charlestown, Massachusetts, and has demonstrated outstanding service to and is an active member of the Charlestown community.

*Bunker Hill Community College  
Chelsea Resident Award*

KRYSTAL L. MEJIA

This scholarship is awarded to a current BHCC student in good academic standing who has completed at least 15 credits at BHCC and is a resident of Chelsea, Massachusetts.

*Bunker Hill Community College  
Foundation Grant*

TEXIERA B. CRAIG

This scholarship is awarded to a new or continuing BHCC student who is in good academic standing and has been nominated by City Year.

*Bunker Hill Community College  
Memorial Scholarship*

ROSE ANDIE C. THEVENIN

This scholarship is awarded to a BHCC student who is enrolled part time and has completed at least 15 credits with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.

*José A. Chaves Memorial Scholarship*

JOSE P. RIBEIRO

This scholarship was established in memory of José Chaves, a beloved former professor at BHCC, through the generosity of the Joe & Dorothy Chaves Foundation. It is awarded annually to a current BHCC student majoring in Business Administration who has a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.

*Chelsea High School Class of 1966 and Susan Soule Clark Memorial Scholarship*

LUIS CRUZ

FATIMA LEMUS

The Chelsea High School Class of 1966 recognizes the value of education in personal success. Ms. Clark founded Choice through Education in 1974 and developed the oldest and most successful Upward Bound program in the nation. This organization fostered a love for academic excellence and successful entry into higher education for thousands of Chelsea High School students.

*Kayla DeMello Memorial Scholarship*

ALEXANDRA CARTOLANO

KARAROSE GOTTA

Established in memory of BHCC student Kayla DeMello, this scholarship is awarded to two students who are enrolled in or have been accepted to the Medical Radiology Program with a cumulative GPA of 3.85 or higher.

*English as a Second Language Award for Continuing Students*

ANITA GAJUREL

THIN N. SWE

This award is presented annually to one or more students who have completed at least two English as a Second Language courses at BHCC with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and are enrolled for the same in the coming academic year. The scholarship has been endowed through the generosity of the Freedom Charitable Foundation.

*Pedro A. Juarez Scholarship*

MARYTZA RAFAELA BARROS DE MACEDO

Awarded to a current BHCC student, preferably a graduate of Everett High School, who has completed at least 12 college-level credits at BHCC with a GPA of 3.0 or higher and whose area of concentration is history and government.

*Thomas A. Kershaw Scholarship*

JESSICA A. LEES

Established to honor the long and generous commitment to BHCC of Tom Kershaw, this scholarship is awarded to a Culinary Arts student in recognition of outstanding performance.

*Edward L. Kerr, Jr., Memorial Scholarship*

OUMAIMA ERRAGRAGUI

Established in memory of Edward Kerr, distinguished Professor of Accounting for more than 20 years at BHCC, this scholarship is awarded to a student in a business program with a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or better.

*Stanley Z. Koplik Scholarship*

AMBER ROSE BEAL

Established in honor of Chancellor Stanley Koplik's commitment to providing quality education to all students attending the Commonwealth's institutions of higher education, this scholarship is awarded to a BHCC student enrolled in at least nine courses with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher who intends to complete an associate degree in accordance with MassTransfer guidelines.

*Nancy Meyers Memorial Scholarship for New Students*

ADRIANA A. ALARCON

JUNYE LI

Established by Nancy Myers, who taught mathematics and computer concepts at BHCC for many years, and who spearheaded the design and implementation of the electronic "smart" classrooms at the College, this scholarship is awarded to two full-time, first-year students who are academically motivated and were actively involved in their high school and community.

*Sivarubini Murugaiah Memorial Scholarship for Continuing Students*

MARIBEL CARIBE

Established by Veeravagu Thavamani and Kirubahari Murugaiah in memory of their daughter and sister, this scholarship is awarded to an academically-motivated student who is the first in his or her family to attend college, has completed at least 30 credit hours at BHCC and intends to complete an associate degree at BHCC.

*Andrew Graham Narcus Semper Fi Scholarship*

SHANNON P. GOODRICH

The Andrew Graham Narcus Semper Fi Scholarship was established by friends and family in memory of Andrew Graham Narcus, USMC, and funded through proceeds from the Boston River Run 5K. It is awarded annually to a continuing BHCC student with a demonstrated financial need, cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and a commitment to making a positive impact in the community.

*Stephen J. Perez Memorial Scholarship*

KEVIN C. CONROY

Established by family and friends of Stephen J. Perez, this scholarship is awarded to a Criminal Justice major who has completed at least 20 credit hours at BHCC with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher and the intention to complete an associate degree at BHCC.

*Rukmini Rao Memorial Scholarship*

ISABELA A. OLIVEIRA

KASSANDRA TAVARES ORTET

Established by Yenamandra V. Rao in memory of his wife, this scholarship is awarded to two current students majoring in science, technology, engineering or mathematics who have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher, demonstrate dedication to their field of study and intend to complete an associate degree at BHCC.

*Rosann Sperduto '88 Memorial Scholarship*

NIA LAMROCK

This scholarship is awarded to a graduating female student who has demonstrated outstanding academic excellence and leadership ability. It was established in memory of Rosann Sperduto, BHCC class of '88, whose contribution of time and talent to the College, the Alumni Association, her family and the community personifies the essence of this award.

*Refrigeration Service Engineers Society Scholarship*

SHANIA A. RUIZ

Established in 1989 by the Boston chapter of the Refrigeration Service Engineers Society, this scholarship is awarded to a student majoring in mathematics, engineering or physics who has completed at least 30 credit hours of college-level work.

*Jeffrey Thompson Memorial Scholarship*

VIRGINIA TAYLOR

This scholarship was established by Charles and Sheri Thompson in memory of their son, a graduate of BHCC who, although permanently disabled as the result of a car accident, pursued his education at BHCC and later at the University of Massachusetts Boston and advocated for students with disabilities. The scholarship is awarded annually to one or more students.

*James R. Ware Stop & Shop Scholarship*

NEBIYU ELIAS

QUANG DANG LE

This scholarship was established in 1998 by the Stop & Shop Supermarket Company, and later named in recognition of James Ware, a long-time executive of Stop & Shop who helped arrange the first corporate internship program at BHCC. The scholarship is awarded to one or two current students in the Business Administration program.

# Recognition of Bunker Hill Community College Foundation Gala Scholars



These scholarships were established by the Bunker Hill Community College Foundation through funds raised at annual galas from 2014 through 2018. Students are selected based upon their academic achievement, their commitment to completing their associate degree within a targeted timeframe and their financial need.

The following are the foundation Gala Scholars who are graduating in 2018.

HERMAN AINEBYONA	JIHANE HAMDANI
CHEYEVNA DUARTE BECKENDORFF	CHRISTA HARPER
ROSANA BELIZAIRE	REDA MOKHTARI
LEYINSKA BERBERE	LIEN NGUYEN
SARASWOTI BOGATI	REBECCA PHILIPPE
BENJAMIN BRAITHWAITE-VAQUERANO	GABRIELLA ESPARZA SCHUPCHEK
BENJAMIN CRUZ	AMINATA SCOTT
LUIS MIGUEL CRUZ RIVERA	RACHEL THOMAS
RUTCHAMAR DESIR	TATIANA TSAPAEVA
NASIRI GUZMAN	YUE LAN WU
SARA HAMADANI	JIRAPORN YURK



# Departmental and Academic Excellence Awards\*



## Professional Studies and Workforce Development

DEAN MICHELLE M. ELIAS BLOOMER, J.D.

### Departmental Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

*Baking and Pastry Arts Option*

DACIA JORDAN

*Business Administration/  
Accounting Option*

UYEN THI DO NGUYEN

*Business Administration  
Taxation Option*

MONA MTET

*Business Concentration*

MONICA TUCCELLA ROGATO

*Business Transfer*

OLGA GOZDEK

*Computer Science Concentration*

DONG EUN SHIN

*Computer Science  
Transfer Option*

PRAKRIT SAETANG

*Criminal Justice*

CHRISTINE VELEZ

*Culinary Arts*

ROSE MARSAN

*Early Childhood Development*

JENNIFER GUERRERO

*Education Concentration*

FELICIA BEATON

*Electric Power Utility*

NICKOLAS CABRAL

*Finance Option*

MOHAMED SADOUR

*Fine Arts Concentration*

KAMILA FYDA

*Fine Arts Option*

WANTING REN

*Graphic Design Option*

LEGNA PRIMERA BURGOS

*Hotel/Restaurant Management Option*

KARINA KUZNETSOVA

*Human Services*

KARLA DAVIS

*Management Option*

ASHLEY PAQUET

*Medical Information Management  
Option*

IVANA KOTSEVA

*Meeting and Event Planning Option*

SAORI NAKATA

*Paralegal Studies*

PAULA DA SILVA

*Sport Management*

SANTIAGO VERA PICASSO

\* Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) used to determine eligibility for these awards was based on the GPA at time of review and may not reflect final GPA

## Professional Studies and Workforce Development

DEAN MICHELLE M. ELIAS BLOOMER, J.D.

### Academic Excellence Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SUPERIOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

*Baking and Pastry Arts Option*

DACIA JORDAN

*Business Administration*

*Accounting Option*

FUXI KANG

*Business Administration*

*Taxation Option*

MONA MTET

*Business Concentration*

AINA NUR NADHIRAH BINTI

ABDUL RAHMAN

MONICA TUCCELLA ROGATO

BIYING YE

*Business Transfer*

OLGA GOZDEK

*Computer Science Concentration*

DONG EUN SHIN

*Computer Science*

*Transfer Option*

JOHN DIGGINS

*Computer Support Specialist*

CORNELIA VAN HAZINGA

*Criminal Justice*

TAWNEE MAESTAS

*Culinary Arts*

ROSE MARSAN

*Cybersecurity Option*

ROBERT VALIN

*Early Childhood Development*

ANNA EMILIA AZAR

*Education Concentration*

XINYUE YU

*Electric Power Utility*

NICKOLAS CABRAL

ZACHARY STUPALSKI

*Finance Option*

MAKIKO TOMITA

*Fine Arts Concentration*

KAMILA FYDA

EMILIO VIEIRA SILVA

*Fine Arts Option*

WANTING REN

*Fire Protection and Safety*

KEVIN WEIGOLD

*Gaming/Computer Artist Track*

*Simulation Option*

KEIFE BECKFORD

*Gaming/Computer Programming*

*Track Simulation Option*

IVALDO DASILVA

*Gaming/Computer Simulation*

YONGAN YU

*Graphic Design Option*

SEBASTIAN ARTEAGA RODRIGUEZ

*Hotel/Restaurant Management Option*

MAYUMI CHOI

*Human Services*

STEPHANIE RODRIGUEZ

*Information Technology*

*Transfer Option*

SISHA LIU

YING WANG

*Management Option*

JACOB MAHAN

LIN LUO

*Medical Information Management*

*Option*

IVANA KOTSEVA

*Meeting and Event Planning Option*

SAORI NAKATA

*Network Technology and*

*Administration Option*

RICHARD LINCY

*Paralegal Studies*

JUSTIN SCHLEGEL

*Sport Management*

SANTIAGO VERA PICASSO

*Visual Design Option*

PHUONG VU

*Web Development*

PEDRO CANCHARI PALOMINO

## Humanities and Learning Communities

DEAN LORI A. CATALLOZZI

### Departmental Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

*Communication Concentration*

MICHAEL DESTEFANO

*English Concentration*

DAVIS LUGO

*Foreign Language Concentration*

SARAH R. LESNIAK

*General Concentration*

YANELY ROMERO

*Liberal Arts*

RABBI MALEMBA KASANDA

*Music Concentration*

PATRICK WOOD

*Theatre Concentration*

JEFFREY LYONS

## Academic Excellence Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SUPERIOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

*Communication Concentration*

CAMILLE NICHOLS

*English Concentration*

ISABEL EVERETT

*Foreign Language Concentration*

SHAO CHEN

*General Concentration*

MERRILYN TAYLOR

*Liberal Arts*

MATTHEW METZGER

RACHEL STROIA

*Music Concentration*

PATRICK WOOD

*Theatre Concentration*

JEFFREY LYONS

## Nurse Education and Medical Imaging

INTERIM DEAN LAURIE K. MCCORRY, PH.D.

### Departmental Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

*Cardiac Sonography Option*

BRITTANY MCINTIRE

*Medical Radiography Evening Option*

JARON ANDERSON

*Nursing Day Option*

JUDDY MWAISAKA

*General Sonography*

DIANA CRISTINA FOGGIATTO-BRAZ

*Medical Radiography Option*

THINH PHAM

*Nursing Evening Option*

SUIKI LIAO

*Nursing Alternative Option*

YULY MOSCA

### Academic Excellence Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SUPERIOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

*Cardiac Sonography Option*

BRITTNEY STRODDER

*Medical Radiography Evening Option*

DANIELLE OAKLEY

*Nursing Day Option*

JOCKTAN MWAISAKA

*General Sonography*

CHRISTINE PARKER

*Medical Radiography Option*

ZAINAB LAKHANI

*Nursing Evening Option*

ANGELA SCHMIDT

*Nursing Alternative Option*

ASHLIE TAYLOR

## Science, Engineering and Health Programs

DEAN LAURIE K. MCCORRY, PH.D.

### Departmental Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

*Biology Transfer Option*

JIHANE HAMDANI

*Biomedical Engineering Option*

IQRA MALIK

*Biotechnology Option*

HELEN LOKHMANENKO

*CRC Press Chemistry  
Achievement Award*

MERYL STAV

*Electrical Engineering -  
Transfer Option*

CHRISTOPHER GROUARD

*Engineering Transfer Option*

DAVID FRICKE

*Medical Laboratory Technician*

ERIN NORBERG

*Physics Concentration*

PHUC VY MACH

### Academic Excellence Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SUPERIOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

*Biology Transfer Option*

JIHANE HAMDANI

*Biomedical Engineering Option*

LINH DANG

*Biotechnology Option*

AMANDA SAMPAIO

*Electrical Engineering  
Transfer Option*

CHRISTOPHER GROUARD

*Engineering Transfer Option*

ZHIRONG FAN

GUSTAVO MONTERO PULGAR

*Medical Laboratory Technician*

ERIN NORBERG

*Paramedic Studies*

MATTHEW BURRELL

*Physics Concentration*

BENJAMIN KHARPERTIAN

PHUC VY MACH



### Mathematics, Behavioral and Social Sciences

DEAN MARIA KATHLEEN N. PUENTE, PH.D.

#### Departmental Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

*History/ Government  
Concentration*  
KEITH CLARK

*Mathematics Concentration*  
MENGTING WANG

*Psychology Concentration*  
KIONNA JACOBS

*Sociology Concentration*  
NIA LAMROCK

#### Academic Excellence Awards

IN RECOGNITION OF SUPERIOR ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

*History/Government  
Concentration*  
AHMED ABUSHARKH

*Mathematics Concentration*  
MENGTING WANG

*Psychology Concentration*  
PATRICIA KIELY

*Sociology Concentration*  
NIA LAMROCK



SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF  
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## *Commonwealth Honors Students*

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TATIANA TSAPAEVA  
ERIC WAGGNER  
MENGTING WANG

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