



UNIV 100 SHOWCASE AWARDS

FIRST PLACE AWARD:

Project 10: "Letter to Me" by Kimberly Gardner.

Instructor: Olivia Tolliver

In this sincere letter to her future self, Kimberly reflects on the aspects of her life that are most important to her and what she never wants to forget. In this insightful and honest piece, she declares her goals and the obstacles she needs to work on to complete them, like being a "people pleaser."

SECOND PLACE AWARD:

Project 5: "Men Today and my Men of Another Day" by Gabrielle Marceaux.

Instructor: Marquia Whitehead

This poem exemplifies the relationships that Gabrielle held with men in her life and the difference between her presumptions of men and the revelation she has had with others who she has come to know. In this piece, Gabrielle reflects on the societal expectations of men.

THIRD PLACE AWARD:

Project 8: "Vertical Architecture" by Ayush Deshpande, Maelle Valarezo, Maria Le, Colby Guidry, and William Monceaux

Instructor: Rachel Alexander

In this class, they were instructed to create a business venture and learn the ins-and-outs of developing a plan for a small business. These students developed a business that specialized in developing buildings that were up to code with the U.S. Green Building Council.

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UNIV 100 INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS

FACULTY INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR: Christopher Munson

Student Comments

“Mr. Munson has an obvious passion for what he teaches, and it really rubs off on the students...every time I leave his class, I am refreshed and motivated to do work for my other classes. Not only that, but his passion for (rock n roll) music and love for teaching it has taught me that I can do whatever I am passionate about, and it has encouraged me to work harder towards my goal/success.” Kailey Hinton

“He encouraged us to take care of ourselves first, that in order to do our best we have to feel our best. He also mentioned that even when we are not at our best still trying and putting in the initial effort is half the battle.” Madison Truax

“He seems to truly love what he does and wants to pass that onto his students. I looked forward to his class and it will now be a fond memory of my college years.” Garon Seaux

STAFF INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR: Kristy Fusilier

Student Comments

“Dr. Fusilier is one of the best UNIV instructors. She was so understanding and made the class very engaging. She motivated all of us in that she allowed everyone to open up about their concerns and problems even the peer mentors. She is so sweet and understanding. she deserves this award, because she went beyond the expectations and made everyone feel welcome and comforted during this semester.” Brooke Pelman

“My instructor made sure she gave the students in her class daily motivational words. She took the time to ask what were our goals was and dreams. That showed me that she actually cared for her students which motivated me.” Khalia Wilson

“No matter what she always could see if we were happy by how we talked or by our body's motions and would encourage to keep going and remind us to take breaks to help us mentally.” Isaiah Lancelin

ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR: Angela Augustine

Student Comments

“Ms. Augustine was proactively emailing us and informing us of important events and deadlines that were to be met. All assignments were graded with feedback in a timely manner, and she was more than willing to help the students in any way possible.” Jacob Mallet

“She would make sure we were self-motivated, and it felt as though we had a personal cheerleader in the background. I am forever grateful to have had her.” Haleigh Hooks

“She motivated me to succeed as a student by pushing us to do our best and to not give up even when we thought we could not go any more. She was always willing to stay after class or talk to her students outside of class if they needed it” Jaci Lynch

PEER MENTOR OF THE YEAR AWARDS

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UNIV 100 Instructor’s Comments

“This is our second year together as a team. In the fall of 2019, Ashley was great and I was so thankful for her. Then 2020 hit and... We did not have a week where something did not go wrong. Ashley made the difference. She is ALWAYS there, ready to help me, brainstorm solutions, get creative, talk to students, and give me perspective. She is so organized and practically perfect in every way...seriously. She is also kind and extremely compassionate. She is the epitome of Peer Mentor of the Year. She is simply the best. I can’t find anything she can do better and I am a pretty tough critic. She messages the class daily. She finds extra things to share. She communicated consistently and thoughtfully. She always puts others over herself. She is the most selfless person I know and I am beyond blessed to have her as my peer mentor.” Dr. Amanda Mayeaux