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Important Dates

April 27
Registration open to all

May 1
Last day of class

May 2
Honors Pre-Commencement ceremony, 4pm
Harvill 150

May 3
Finals begin

May 10
Finals end

May 11
Graduation and residence hall closure

May 13- June 1
Summer Pre-Session

May 27
No Class- Memorial Day

June 3- July 3
Summer Session I

July 4
Independence Day

July 8- Aug. 7
Summer Session II



Congratulations to our May/August 2002 Graduates with Honors

Stefanie Abalos	Accounting	Adriane Eng	MCB
Deva Abela	Anthropology	Tamae Eto	Sociology
Maya Adams	Nursing	Ryan Falsey	Microbiology
Annie Ahnert	Engineering Math	Vivek Farias	Computer Engineering
Hussain Ali	Computer Engineering	Kathleen Farrish	Political Science
Megan Arnone	Anthropology	Karen Feng	Physiological Sciences
Kai Asher	Computer Engineering	Stacy Fickas	Elementary Education
Barbara Ashton	Music	Joanna Finger	Elementary Education
Bree Beardsley	Computer Engineering & MCB	Sarah Finken	Psychology
Anthony Beas	Biochemistry	Sandy Ford	Judaic Studies
Shaun Belders	Computer Engineering	James Galloway	Creative Writing
Kelly Benedict	MCB	Jennifer Gardetto	Biochemistry
Pamela Bennett	History	Evan Glazer	Physics
Regina Benton	MCB	Theresa Glinski	Interdisciplinary Studies
Daniel Berger	Entrepreneurship	Cathryn Goble	History
Michelle Betancourt	Mechanical Engineering	Pallav Gupta	Computer Engineering
Steven Bethard	Linguistics	Ryan Hadley	Biochemistry
Jessica Betka	Political Science	Steven Hajdu	Physiological Sciences
Anna Biegging	MCB	Laura Hales	Spanish
Kelly Biener	Mathematics	Lauren Hall-Lew	Linguistics
Aaron Bilgrad	Entrepreneurship	Lida Hariri	Physiological Sciences
James Blackwood	Linguistics	Ryan Hartman	Mechanical Engineering
Jared Brandenberger	Microbiology	Gareth Hedges	Media Arts
Amelie Bredas	History	Raeef Hijazi	Mechanical Engineering
Rebecca Broky	Architecture	Paul Hoover	MCB
Julie Browne	Political Science & French	Michael Horn	Social Studies
Jocelyn Buckingham	MCB	James Houseworth	Political Science
Andrew Burnham	Accounting	Viet Huynh	MCB
Sarah Burns	Speech & Hearing	Michael Inouye	MCB
Stuart Caplan	Entrepreneurship	Nicole Jarrett	Biochemistry
Jason Carlaftes	Civil Engineering	Tristen Johnson	Speech & Hearing
David Carol	Media Arts	Valerie Kading	Nursing
Karen Carter	Math	Yukari Kawamoto	MCB & EAS
Chara Chamie	MCB	Aaron Kelley	Computer Engineering
Katherine Chemodurov	Biochemistry	Ryan Kelley	Biochemistry
Julie Chen	Entrepreneurship	Rebecca Kemmet	MCB
Kyung Chen	Biochemistry	Jeremie Korta	Physics
Michael Chin	Computer Science & COE	Kumar Krishnan	Biochemistry
Anne Chung	MCB & Psychology	Teresa Krpata	Political Science
Meghan Connealy	English	Lillian Kruse	Physiological Sciences
Brian Constance	Chemical Engineering	Nicholas Kuhn	MCB
Anna Corazza	Near Eastern Studies	Chandan Kundavaram	Physiological Sciences
Rhiannon Crain	Ecology & Evolutionary Biology	Daniel Lampignano	Psychology
Qi Cui	MCB	Jessica Lara	Elementary Education
Kelly Dale	Physiological Sciences	Tracy Layton	Microbiology
Michael Daschbach	Spanish	Jenny Leijonhufvud	Political Science
Lauren Dasse	Latin American Studies	Monique Leon	Physiological Sciences
Kaylene Kirtland Day	Anthropology	Lydia Lester	Linguistics
Andrea De Francisco	Media Arts	Jessica Letzkus	Political Science
Jennifer Dees	Biochemistry	Pennie Liebig	Geosciences
Joseph Dekker	Biochemistry	Thomas Lind	Mechanical Engineering
Daniel Doty	MCB	Elson Liu	Optical Engineering
Thuy Duong	Civil Engineering	Jessica Lohnberg	Psychology
		Celeste Lopez	MCB & Psychology
		Stuart Loui	Electrical Engineering

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Honors Contracts

Are you having trouble fulfilling your requirements-general education, major, minor, or Honors requirements? If so, you may wish to take advantage of the Honors Contract. The Honors Contract allows you to receive the Honors academic experience (and Honors credit) in most any area in which you are interested. Please refer to the website for the ins-and-outs of contracting.

www.honors.arizona.edu/benefits.html

Drink nothing without seeing it; sign nothing without reading it.

-Spanish Proverb

Fall 2002 Updating

Please remember to update your Honors status. This process is very easy and will only take a few minutes. Just go to the Honors College website at www.honors.arizona.edu, double click on the "Update On-Line Link", enter your social security number, and press enter. The form is self explanatory. Once you have updated your Honors status, you will be eligible for all Honors College benefits, which include access to the Research Grant Opportunity Database, access to Honors College computers and access to extended library checkout. If you do not update, your benefits will not be available to you for the Fall 2002 semester. The updating process will begin mid-August, so please look for the link on the Honors website.

May/August 2002 Graduates continued...

Lauren Johnston Lowe	History
Laurel Mallory	Psychology
Jennifer Marquez	Physiological Sciences
Kristina Martinez	Sociology
Maria Maust	Ecology & Evolutionary Bio
Sean McCartin	English
Marianne McColleston	Anthropology
Erin McKiernan	Psychology
Andrea Medrano	MCB
Victoria Meyer	History
Eva Monnier	Political Science
Stephen Monroe	MIS
Andrew Moosmann	MIS
Sherif Morgan	MCB
Joseph Muehlbauer	Chemical Engineering
Tamara Mulembo	English
Patrick Munoz	Atmospheric Sciences
Chantilly Munson	Biochemistry
Raghu Nandan	Business Management
Ehren Nelson	MCB
Paige Nelson	Psychology
Joshua Nevin	Systems Engineering
Tracey Newlove	Biochemistry
Danelle Newton	Marketing
Manuel Nikel-Zueger	Economics
Carolyn O'Meara	German
Tirzah Orcutt	Sociology
Matthew Ortiz	English
Catherine Ott	Math
Jennifer Otterson	Civil Engineering
Sara Paige	Political Science
Ji Park	MCB
Jay Patel	MCB
Nitin Patel	Mechanical Engineering
Scott Patera	Business Management
Jose F. Perez Avila	Mechanical Engineering
Sarah Perry	Chemical Engineering
Katherine Pickard	Political Science
Seth Pruitt	Interdisciplinary Studies
Helen Raichle	Anthropology
Brittany Rhoades	Psychology
Jacob Richardson	MSE
Aaron Riechers	Biochemistry
Adrienne Riordan	Political Science
Stephen Rituper	Computer Engineering
Ronald Diego Rivera	Biochemistry
Chad Robinson	Electrical Engineering
Joseph Robles	Chemical Engineering

Tom Rogers	MCB
Pedro E. Romero Colio	Mechanical Engineering
Melanie Romo	Nursing
Rupali Roy	Biochemistry
Douglas Rudd	Astronomy
Johanna Schmidtke	Biochemistry
Benjamin Schwarz	Computer Science
Michael Shaffer	Biochemistry
Tal Shaked	Computer Science
Amanda Siegel	English
Shameema Sikder	Chemical Engineering & Biochemistry
Guilherme E. da Silva	Entrepreneurship
Joel Simon	Judaic Studies
Bryan Stech	Interdisciplinary Studies
Richard Smith	History
Suzanne Snow	Studio Art
Tameson Snyder	Biochemistry
Susan Sotardi	MCB
Sarah Stewart	Chemical Engineering
Holly Stirling	English
T'Prien Stoffer	MCB
Heather Stone	Psychology
D. Shelby Stubbe	Engineering Physics
Miklos Szidarovszky	Chemical Engineering
Michael Taday	Biochemistry
Ilanit Tal	Psychology
Zachary Taylor	Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Kimberly Terpe	English
Keshari Thakali	SWES
Benjamin Theisman	Philosophy
Jennifer Thomson	Nursing
Brook Tlougan	Spanish & Physiological Science
Beverly Toperzer	Chemical Engineering
Cristina Tudor	Architecture
Joseph Twarog	Biochemistry
Graig Uhlin	Media Arts
Andrea Urban	Astronomy
Melissa Van Haren	Speech & Hearing
Patricia Victory	MIS
Staci Vierthaler	Philosophy
Krishna Vijayasarithi	MCB
Christina Vitale	History
Lindsay Wagner	Economics
Kelly Ward	Political Science
Gina Warner	Psychology
Robert Warrick	Computer Engineering
Anne Williams	Chemical Engineering
Julie Wilson	English
Laura Winsky	Political Science
Jennifer Woo	Microbiology
Heath Wright	MCB
Kristin Wright	Psychology
Mary Yosmali	MIS
Anna Young	Ecology & Evolutionary Biology
Daniel Ziese	Architecture

The Honors College faculty and staff would like to congratulate all of our Honors graduates and wish them great success with their endeavors in the future.

Computer Lab Update

Due to budget cuts, we are unable to keep the Honors computer lab in the Arizona/Sonora hall open. This change will be effective immediately. We may, however, be adding additional computers in Slonaker House. This is not a guarantee and we are only just now beginning to think about that project, but it is what we hope to accomplish.

Undergraduate Research Grant Recipients

We would like to congratulate this years recipients of the Undergraduate Research Grant award. We eagerly await your final projects, which will be shown Spring 2003.

Bruce M. Arnold
Dahlya Brown
Chris Elena Burpee
Nicholas Carde
Clint Carroll
Heather Cavell
Katherine Daubert
Jessica Dooley
Allison V. Fine
Christena Flint
Elizabeth Goodhue
Amy Hagemeier
Kimmey Hardesty
Lisa Hildreth
Melanie Hubbs
Twila Kaufman
Hirofumi Kawakubo
Abdulreza Khajeh
Martin Klabunde
Paula Krueger
Jessica L. Lansdon
Juan Jesus Lopez
Maria Alejandra Lopez
Melanie Martin
Melissa Mauzy
Patrick E. McGuire
Anisha Maria Menezes
Amy Metzger
Christine Munoz
Kathryn E. Payne
Rochelle Perper
Amanda Redig
Jonathan Saints
Carlos Sanchez Soria
Thiago Bahia Silva
Eric R. Singh
Kathleen Van Vlack
Dawn M. Vollenweider
Douglas Weibel

Giue Family Scholarships

The Giue Family Scholarship is awarded annually to women who are finishing their senior theses and intending to continue on to graduate school. This generous scholarship honors the value of education that Grace Giue learned from her parents, Frank and Celia Giue.

The winners for 2002 are:

Megan Arnone is an Anthropology major. Her thesis focuses on the fossil record of *Homo erectus* and the variation in specimens in both time and geographic location. Megan is a world traveler and has lived in England, France, Greece, Egypt, Canada and the Caribbean. As part of her studies in Anthropology she was able to conduct research in China and Tibet. After completing her doctorate, she hopes to teach and conduct research at the University level.

Chantilly Munson wonders if "you are what you eat." Her thesis deals with diet, genetic variation, and risks of prostate cancer. She hopes to gain further insight as she continues her studies in nutritional biochemistry. After completing a doctorate, she hopes to continue research on nutrition issues in order to help the public understand the strong connections between sound food choices and good health.

Theresa Glinski plans on attending law school after graduation. Upon receiving a J.D. and an LL.M. she hopes to work in Washington, D.C., as an advocate for American Indians. Theresa's thesis is a video documentary on the life of her brother, John Glinski, who died of cancer at the age of 15. The video will form a visual record of how his influence continues today in the lives of those who knew him and with a scholarship at Salpointe High School.

*Keep away from people
who try to belittle your
ambitions. Small people
always do that, but the
really great make you feel
that you, too, can become
great.*

-Mark Twain

2002 Hearst Undergraduate Poetry Contest Winners

The winners of the Frederica and John Hearst Lyrical and Populist Poetry Contest were recognized on March 19, 2002. Congratulations to the following Honors students who received awards for their poetry:

Frederica Hearst Lyrical Poets
Kimberly M. Terpe
Some Assembly Required
April Greengaard
Morning Tea

John Hearst Populist Poets
Marty Hebrank
Sunday Shift
Lee Anne Denny
Accumulation
Forest Arturo Dunn
Song of Indifference

Honors Advising

Academic advising is offered in the Honors College and also in over 100 academic departments. Advisors work with students to plan schedules, discover research and study abroad opportunities, and set goals for beyond graduation. Juniors and seniors can get assistance in finding a Senior Thesis advisor or to prepare for graduate fellowships. Students should call our office at 621-6901 for advising appointments with staff at The Honors College. Honors students who have not yet selected a major can meet with advisors at the First Year Center located in Bear Down Gym (621-7763). Pre-Law advising is available with Dr. Richard Cosgrove every Friday afternoon at 4pm in room 107 of Slonaker House. Special faculty advisors for Honors students, in most departments, can be found on The Honors College website at: www.honors.arizona.edu/facadvisor.html

Shadowcats

Are you looking for ways to get involved in Honors? Then consider joining Shadowcats, the volunteer student recruitment branch of The Honors College. Shadowcats speak with prospective UA/Honors students at formal and informal recruitment events and are foremost involved when prospective students visit the UA to check out the campus. Here are a few examples of a Shadowcat's responsibilities:

- Bring high school students with them to class
- Assist with tours in residence halls
- Speak at recruitment events, on or off campus
- Possibly host a prospective student overnight

The time commitment is as big or as small as you want it to be. Also, we are eager for volunteers at all class levels, any majors (including undecided), Arizona residents, out of staters, etc. To be a part of Shadowcats, send email to Marcella Korn at korn@honors.arizona.edu. In response, you'll receive a sign-up form, a description of the Shadowcats program, a chance to learn more about Honors, Shadowcats, and a way to get to meet new people.

Success is the ability to go from one failure to another with no loss of enthusiasm.

-Sir Winston Churchill

Scholarship Recipients

A number of students from the University of Arizona, most of who are Honors students, garnered nationally competitive scholarships this spring. Students who applied were competing with numerous students from other colleges and universities across the country. We congratulate all students who applied for these scholarships because they undertook the rigorous application process. We wish to recognize especially those students who were successful in receiving scholarships this year. Those students are listed below*:

Fulbright:

Scholarship for graduating seniors and graduate students interested in studying, conducting research or doing some other proposed project in over 140 countries.

Katherine Holmsen
Anne Heintz
Hannah McLean
Rebecca Sponseller
Jeanine Brown

Udall:

Scholarship for undergraduates with an interest in the environment or Native American students interested in tribal policy.

Jeff Cordova
Carlyle Begay
Joey McMurdie

Udall Honorable Mention:

Fletcher Chmara
Bijiibaá Garrison

Goldwater:

Scholarship for undergraduates in math, science and engineering.

Laura Baker

Gates Cambridge:

Scholarship for up to three years of funding to pursue graduate study at the University of Cambridge.

Johanna Schmidke

Churchill:

Scholarship for one year of funding to Pursue graduate study at Churchill College, University of Cambridge.

Johanna Schmidke

*Please note: Every effort was made to identify scholarship recipients for this year's competitions. We apologize if some recipients are not listed here. At press time, many Fulbright and NSEP applicants had not received word about their status.

First Level Honors

First Level Honors serves as a mid-degree recognition for Honors students. It is one of only two Honors College awards offered to Honors students (the other is graduation with Honors). It also signifies that students are on track to graduate with Honors. In order to obtain the certificate, the Honors student must fulfill two requirements: accumulate at least fifteen Honors units before receiving credit for the sixtieth unit taken at UA since entering the Honors program as either a freshman or sophomore **and** achieve a 3.5 cumulative gpa. If you are aware you are receiving First Level Honors and are unable to pick up your certificate at the Honors Pre-Commencement ceremony on May 2, please pick up your certificate at the Honors College at your earliest convenience.

*To accomplish great things,
we must dream as well as
act.*

-Anatole France

Dr. James Todd Named 2002 Five Star Faculty Winner

Dr. James Todd, Senior Lecturer in Political Science, wins the annual Five Star Faculty Teaching Award. Todd, a longtime favorite among a large cadre of law school bound UA students, has been steadfast in his commitment to teaching and the importance of student-faculty dialogue in the academy. This commitment and dialogue have also been promoted in his role as the Faculty Fellow at Yuma Hall, a post he has held for many years. Whether pointing out a rare glimpse of an Elegant Trogon, deemed by many birders to be Arizona's most famous bird, or dissecting the ongoing debate over the judiciary's involvement in policy-making and judicial activism and restraint, Jim Todd brings both reason and passion to each encounter.

The Five Star Faculty Award, sponsored each year by The Honors College, is the only UA teaching award whose winner is chosen entirely by the students. A list of past winners can be found in the Living Room in Slonaker House.

Zambia Continues...

In the last Eclectic, Andrew Edmonds (Class of 2001) discussed his experiences with applying for, and beginning, a Fulbright Scholarship in Zambia. Andrew, along with numerous other Honors students and alumni, apply for nationally competitive scholarships each year. Some scholarships, such as the NSEP and Fulbright, enable current students and graduates to pursue study or research in numerous countries overseas. Andrew was one of ten UA applicants to receive a Fulbright grant for the 2001-2002 academic year.

Andrew is in the middle of his tenure as a Fulbright Scholar. This article is the second of two journal entries Andrew has provided from Zambia. While the first journal entry covered Andrew's application process and beginning of his grant, this journal entry describes some interesting personal experiences Andrew has undergone during his six months in Zambia.

I love it here. Life in Lusaka is lovely, and my living situation is nothing short of wonderful. I live in a guesthouse near the University of Zambia (where I am officially affiliated, though they've given me very little support), in a secure compound (read: 24-hour security guards with electric fences) with a delightful Zambian family. My "host parents," Judy and Elias Mpondela, are involved with numerous business ventures (including a maid-hire service, a car-hire service, a preschool inside the compound, and a road-repair company), and are very friendly, kind people. They feed me from time to time (mmm... nshima and fish gravy, with the occasional antelope) and refer to me as their firstborn son, which is a real honor. They even gave me a cell phone for free (Unexpected? You bet!) as well as a traditional Zambian name: Teka (for short), meaning patience. An interesting aside: Elias has every intention of becoming the president of Zambia in 2006... he's personal friends with the current and former presidents (they sometimes come over for tea) but has just disclosed to me a much grander political agenda than that of the current government.

Anyway, I also have a brother, Michael (age 8), and three sisters, Chipompe, Leah and Suwi (age 13, 10 and 2). We spend countless hours playing the local version of dodgeball (called wa-shomba-wa-loa) and swimming. There's a beautiful pool here, as well as avocados, guavas, and mangos for the taking. My house, unbelievably, even has a satellite TV. Much to my delight, I was able to wake up at 2 in the morning to watch game 7 of the World Series (go AZ!). I have dependable hot water (of very questionable quality, of course - I feel like I spend half my time boiling and filtering) and electricity, and a well-equipped kitchen with a fridge. And what to put in that fridge? Well, just a mile or two down the road there's a newly-built shopping center, complete with a modern South African grocery (which for some unimaginable reason is ALWAYS playing Dolly Parton Christmas music), a store nearly identical to Wal-Mart, fast food restaurants, Blockbuster Video, and an Irish pub (I would

have never thought that good beer on tap and "beef bred in the rolling hills of Ireland and prepared just like Liam's mom used to make it" would be available in Zambia). Point being, it's very, very bizarre, but the availability of food is more than I expected, and nice - I've had no problem doing all of my own cooking.

I've been getting around town on minibuses. I've ridden about 400 in six months. Those of you who have been to Africa know how crazy an experience that can be. You can get anywhere in town for about 1,000 kwacha (less than a quarter), and you never have to wait long for a bus to come along. I attended a security briefing at the embassy after I arrived, and they recommended to never, ever ride them, but it's excessive American paranoia as far as my roommate and I are concerned. It's a better alternative to the frequent carjackings which happen here. A friend of mine was driving a few weeks ago when a man with an AK pulled up next to him and demanded his car. He floored it and got away. A good decision? That is doubtful. I think I'll stick to the minibus. It's much safer (except for the occasional accident, the one that almost tipped over, and the one whose door fell off while we were driving). Seriously though, I've felt very secure here, at least most of the time. I'd say that Lusaka is safer than Tucson, and maybe even with friendlier people. Imagine!

Oh yes - I have a roommate from time to time. Maura, the other Fulbright student in Zambia for the year, spends part of her time in the house in Lusaka and part in Mongu, Western Province (read: middle of nowhere). I just returned from a trip to visit her and watch the Kuomboka, a traditional ceremony in which the Lozi chief (litunga) signals to his people that the Barotse floodplain has become too wet to live on by leaving in a huge (30 person) canoe. Quite a spectacle. Maura bought a vehicle, so we broke it in a few months ago by visiting Lake Kariba and the Lower Zambezi National Park (we saw elephant, crocodile, buffalo, impala, hippo, hyena, baboon, and zebra). Next week I'm headed up north to the Bangweulu Wetlands in search of the elusive Shoebill Stork and herds of black lechwe thousands-strong. Still on the agenda: jaunts to South Luangwa, Botswana, and Malawi. You may wonder if I ever work - I do - but I wrote about that last time. My project, while continuing to be a big challenge, is moving along nicely.

I've been lucky to avoid many situations of excessive corruption or bureaucracy thus far. I succeeded to get a phone line installed at my house after only five weeks (the average time is five years). I've also finally managed to arrange the correct student visa (after being incorrectly instructed). After getting a useless chest x-ray and paying a much-too-large fee, as well as being threatened by a number of very much-too-large Zambian immigration dudes who insisted that I had to go home because I was an incorrectly classified, illegal visitor, they decided to let me stay. Miracle of miracles. They only made me sit in their office for three days

waiting for them to take five minutes to stamp out a single piece of paper. Aside from that, I've only been threatened with arrest once. Instead of parking the car where there was a "no parking" sign, Maura parked where there was no sign. The police said we were obstructing traffic - a strange claim, since there were no other cars within sight. They dragged us to the police station and demanded we pay the equivalent of about \$40, quite a bit of money - especially around here. After about nearly an hour of arguing, a friend managed to strike a deal with the police. We'd pay tomorrow, or be arrested. So, we gave them some fake information and we were on our way.

I mentioned earlier that Zambia is quite safe in general, and the people are very peaceful. While I still believe that is true, the situation changed following the first presidential election in five years. Most everyone anticipated that the universally disliked ruling party, characterized by ineptitude and corruption, would lose their control over the presidency. However, given that there were ten opposition parties splitting the vote and that the ruling party most likely rigged the election in their favor (EU and American observers agree), the ruling party maintained control in the end. So, there were a lot of riots, protests, brick and stone throwing, tear gas, and blood. A number of people were killed - I unfortunately witnessed a man being beaten to death by a mob in the market. The U.S. Embassy forbade us to go out in public one day, and another day we just missed by ten minutes a tear gas bomb that exploded in the grocery store. Thankfully, things quieted down quickly thereafter. Except for that pickpocket I caught in the act the other day - after I threw him back about six feet, he proceeded to whine "sorry, sorry, sorry" for the next few minutes. Perhaps an even more entertaining spectacle than the Kuomboka.

Despite evidence to the contrary (Subway and Blockbuster), life in Zambia is immeasurably different than life back home. It's so beautiful here in so many ways, but is equally as frustrating and sad in just as many other ways. It's honestly impossible to put into words. Hopefully in time I'll be able to express myself better; rest assured that I'll be searching for ways to describe this nutty, amazing place 'cause I want to continue share it with you all in the future.

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UA Senior Wins Prestigious Gates Cambridge, Churchill Scholarships

Johanna (JoJo) Schmidtke, a senior in the Honors College at the University of Arizona, has been named a Gates Cambridge Scholar. The Gates Cambridge Scholarship, supported by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, provides funding for recent U.S. college graduates to pursue up to three years of graduate study at the University of Cambridge. JoJo is one of approximately 50 students nationwide to receive the Gates Cambridge Scholarship in the second year of the competition's existence.

JoJo, a Flinn Scholar, majors in Mathematics and Biochemistry and serves as principal tubist in the UA Symphony Orchestra and Wind Ensemble. She will pursue study for a D. Phil in Chemical Physics at the University of Cambridge, studying under the tutelage of Professor Richard Friend, whose work focuses on semiconducting polymers, critical materials in electronic device applications.

In addition to being named a Gates Cambridge Scholar, JoJo is also one of only ten students nationwide to be named a Churchill Scholar. The Churchill Scholarship provides one year of funding for students to pursue study at the University of Cambridge. JoJo will forgo the Churchill Scholarship to pursue study under the Gates Cambridge Scholarship.

JoJo was also named a Goldwater Scholar during the 2000-2001 academic year, and was named to USA Today's All-USA College Academic Third Team.

JoJo is the first University of Arizona undergraduate to be named a Gates Cambridge Scholar, and the first to be named a Churchill Scholar since the mid-1990's. Congratulations, JoJo!

Honors Student Named to USA Today's 2002 All-USA College Academic First Team

Cheri Blauwet, a senior in The Honors College, has been named to USA Today's 2002 All-USA College Academic First Team, one of twenty seniors nationwide to receive the honor. Cheri who carries a 4.0 grade point average in Molecular and Cellular Biology, aspires to be a developmental pediatrician. Cheri was honored for her work as a student, a volunteer on campus and off campus, her participation as a competitive wheelchair racer, and her leadership in many areas, including disability issues.

Cheri was profiled in the February 27 edition of USA Today (www.usatoday.com/life/academic/2002/2002-02-27-college-first.htm). Congratulations on an outstanding honor, Cheri!
