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## Congratulations To Our December 2000 Graduates With Honors



Fang-Yu Ai  
Stephenie Albert

Rupesh Amin  
Lahiru Ariyananda

Jeffrey Ashbaugh  
Joshua Baker  
Molly Ball  
Sweta Batni  
Kirsten Bellars

Brian Berkman

Athena Bertolino

Abigail Bigham  
Robert Bliss  
Matthew Borselli  
Jennifer Brenneman

John Carpenter  
Ka-In Chan  
Wai Chan  
Anastasia Charitou  
Cortnie Cherry  
Kapil Chhibber  
Kimberly Chhor  
Angela Christopher  
Melissa Cody  
Brent Colby  
Karen Compton  
Jonathan Cox

Michael Craig  
Pedro Diaz  
Kristen Marie DiBone  
Joseph Dunn  
Bianca Durando  
Andrea Dutoit  
Andrew Edmonds  
Aycan Erentok

Carla Escobar  
Tamae Eto  
Alison Foster  
Mindy Friedlander  
Wendi Fusler  
James Galloway  
Nathalie Gebara  
Charles Givre  
Amanda Gonyeau  
Melanie Gray  
Kristen Gregory  
Clifford Gross

Kathryn Hamm

MCB  
Teaching &  
Teacher Education  
Biochemistry  
Electrical &  
Computer Engr.  
Optical Engineering  
Biochemistry  
Biochemistry  
MCB  
Fine &  
Performing Arts  
Materials Science &  
Engineering  
Soil Water &  
Environmental Sci.  
Anthropology  
Media Arts  
Physics  
Family Studies &  
Human Development  
MCB  
Entrepreneurship  
Finance  
Entrepreneurship  
Physiology  
MIS  
Biochemistry  
Family Studies  
Nursing  
Political Science  
Psychology  
Ecology &  
Evolutionary Biology  
International Studies  
English  
Architecture  
Computer Science  
Physiology  
Physiology & MCB  
MCB  
Electrical &  
Computer Engr.  
Ecology & Psychology  
Sociology  
Veterinary Science  
Nursing  
Industrial Engineering  
English  
Biochemistry  
Music  
Nursing  
Political Science  
History  
Biochemistry &  
Psychology  
Anthropology

Joanna Harper-Chapek  
Patricia Healey

Amalia Hernandez  
Anna Hetsler

Dawn Hines  
Joanne Marie Hogle  
Kacy Hollenback  
Ming Hsu  
Lois Irvin  
Laurence James  
Steven Jarvis  
Kathryn Jasper  
Nathaniel Johnson  
Karleen Jones  
Margo Kaplan  
Rohit Kedia  
Meredith Kerger  
Adi Knishinsky  
Theodore Laetsch

Tiffany Lamb  
Katherine Larson  
Curt Ledford  
Michael Lee  
David Lent

MCB  
Russian &  
Soviet Studies  
Anthropology  
Ecology &  
Evolutionary Bio.  
Psychology  
Psychology  
Anthropology  
Political Science  
English  
Philosophy  
Studio Art  
Anthropology  
Philosophy  
Political Science  
Chemistry  
Biochemistry  
Nursing  
MIS  
Agric &  
Biosystems Engr.  
Biochemistry  
English  
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Laura Lindsay  
Malen Link  
Matthew Loe  
Rachel Lowe  
Trisha McMahan

Alisa Miller  
Justin Miller  
Jana Minka  
Eva Monnier  
Rita Morones  
Janice Murphy  
Zachary Mushkatel  
Andrea Neary  
David Ng

Alina Nguyen  
Dawn Noel

Catherine Oliver  
Iris Oved  
Ozgu Ozun

Cristina Pace  
Francesco Paganini  
Eric Quanbeck  
Kamalesh Ramaiya  
Thomas Reiner  
Michael Rhee  
Ashley Robinson  
Regina Ross  
Pratik Roy  
Rupali Roy  
Diana Rutowski  
Bikram Saggoo  
Jason Schemp  
John Schneider  
Evan Schneider  
Michelle See  
Brian Shucker  
Joel Spezeski  
Mark Standridge  
Kirstin Story  
Sundeep Suchdev  
Jill Suhy  
Zachary Thomas  
Claire Tomkins  
Katherine Tyldesley

Faye Walker  
Jennifer Watling  
Collin Wedel  
Catherine White  
Jed White  
Tom Wilkening  
Greg Willard  
Andrew Yau

Family Studies  
Microbiology  
MCB  
Political Science  
International  
Studies  
Geosciences  
Mathematics  
Art  
Political Science  
Studio Art  
Anthropology  
Political Science  
Physiology & MCB  
East Asian Studies  
& Political Science  
Biochemistry  
Ecology &  
Evolutionary Bio.  
French  
Psychology  
Electrical  
Engineering  
MCB  
Political Science  
MIS  
Biochemistry  
Architecture  
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Entrepreneurship  
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## 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 in The Honors College. Honors students who have not yet selected a major can meet with advisors at the First Year Center, in Bear Down Gym (621-7763) Pre-law advising is available with Dr. Richard Cosgrove every Friday afternoon from 4 to 5pm in the Slonaker house living room. Special faculty advisors for Honors students in most departments at the University can be found at <http://www.honors.arizona.edu/facadvisor.htm> on The Honors College website.

## HONORS FACULTY AND STAFF

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## NATIONALLY COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS: IT'S NOT TOO SOON TO PREPARE FOR NEXT YEAR'S COMPETITIONS!

The Office of International Studies and Scholarships in the Honors College is charged with administering nationally competitive scholarships for the University of Arizona. Graduating seniors may apply for such scholarships as the Rhodes, British Marshall, Mitchell, Fulbright, Luce, and Soros, among others. And undergraduates may apply for the Goldwater, NSEP, Udall, and Truman. Typically, each scholarship requires both a local (University of Arizona) phase of competition and a regional and/or national phase.

Have you thought about applying for one of the scholarships above? If so, we have a few suggestions for you. First, check out the Honors scholarship website (<http://www.honors.arizona.edu/scholarships.html>). This website provides food for thought as you consider what each scholarship offers and whether you should apply. Second, set up an appointment with Karna Walter (621-6546; [karna@u.arizona.edu](mailto:karna@u.arizona.edu)) to discuss any of these scholarships, and whether you'd be a competitive applicant. Third, pay attention to listserv messages regarding scholarship information sessions. These sessions will take place mid-spring.

Many of next year's scholarships carry application deadlines in the fall of 2001. Begin the application process early so you aren't rushing to complete those steps in the fall. We look forward to working with prospective applicants over the coming months!



## TEACH FOR AMERICA

Each year, about 4,000 individuals of all academic majors compete to become part of Teach For America. Through an intensive admissions process, Teach For America selects 900 new corps members who demonstrate leadership potential and the ability to excel as teachers in under-resourced public schools. The 900 new corps members come together for the summer to a five-week national training institute in which they gain experience training while receiving guidance from veteran teachers. Upon completing the institute, corps members travel to one of 15 sites where school districts hire them as regular beginning teachers. Local Teach For America offices help orient corps members to their new communities and coordinate a support network that encourages corps members to share best practices and to help each other in ensuring students excel. Beyond their two-year commitment, corps members remain connected through an alumni association. Many alumni remain in teaching, others leave the classroom but remain in the field of education, and still take a unique perspective into fields such as law, medicine, public policy, and business. Since 1989, Teach For America has inspired well over 30,000 applicants and has placed over 6,000 of them in teaching positions in 15 geographic areas.

**For more information, please come to The Honors College or see their webpage at [www.teachforamerica.org](http://www.teachforamerica.org).**



## UA STUDENT IN ITALY SAYS UA'S BRAVO! OFFERS BEST EDUCATION POSSIBLE

(From Rene Siqueiros, Arizona/NASA Space Grant intern, UA News services)

While most science students may not consider study abroad an important part of their education, one University of Arizona student finds that travel can sometimes be just as important in learning as textbooks and lectures.

Oscar Serrano, a senior with double majors in biochemistry and molecular and cellular biology, works in Giancarlo Pepeu's research laboratory in Florence, Italy. Pepeu's research is on the neurophysiology of memory.

Serrano is part of the Biomedical Research Abroad: Vistas Open! (BRAVO!) program, which places research-experienced UA undergraduate students in science labs at selected research institutions in other countries.

Applicants to the program are required to submit a short proposal describing the work to be done in the foreign lab, along with a personal statement of career goals, a time frame and budget, and letters of endorsement from the UA faculty sponsor and the foreign host scientist.

The program also requires that students have at least six months research experience relevant to work done in the host laboratory.

An advisory committee then interviews applicants and reviews the submitted materials to determine which projects to fund. The Howard Hughes Medical Institute and the National Institutes of Health provide most of the funding for BRAVO!.

After their return from the foreign site, students write an article for the UBRP newsletter and present their experimental results at one of the monthly meetings called "datablitzes." These datablitz meetings provide those students who cannot travel the opportunity to gain new insight on scientific methods, as well as the cultures, in other countries.

Serrano received his first BRAVO! fellowship in August 1999 to work in research in Wurzburg, Germany, for a semester. He deferred his matriculation at Stanford University School of Medicine to pursue his current project and a second BRAVO! fellowship in Italy for a year. He expects to graduate in molecular biology from the UA in May, 2001.

Anyone interested in learning more or applying to BRAVO! can find information on the program's website at

<http://www.blc.arizona.edu/ubrp/bravo/default.html>



### A SUMMER OF EXCELLENCE

Do you know a high school junior eager to find out what college life is all about?

A Summer of Excellence is the University of Arizona's premier pre-college program for gifted high school juniors. A way for students to "try out" UA and earn

transferable college credit. SOE is open to students completing their junior year by June 2001. The residential program runs two 5-week sessions:

Session I June 2- July 5

Session II July 7- August 8

The priority application deadline is April 1 with all applications due by May 15. The cost is approximately \$1500. This includes: tuition, books, housing, food, and activities.

Scholarships are available for Arizona residents.

Further information is available on our website:

<http://www.honors.arizona.edu/SOEindex.html>

Or e-mail: [soe@honors.arizona.edu](mailto:soe@honors.arizona.edu) or call 520-621-2228.

### NEED CAREER ADVICE?

Well, you're in luck. The Honors College and Career Services have teamed up to bring you a Career Ambassador who is a peer Advisor who can help you with some of those major life decisions.

Every Tuesday afternoon from 1:00-3:00

Ciel Bailey will be in the living room to answer questions about careers. This could include internships, what to do with your major after you graduate, graduate school, or even first-time jobs. So, stop by and ask her a question!

P.S. There will be information handouts on resumes, cover letters, and personal statements.

Can't Make These Times? Check us out on-line at

[www.uacareerservices.arizona.edu](http://www.uacareerservices.arizona.edu) OR stop by our offices located downstairs in Old Main.





## Attention May 2001 Graduates!

### COMPUTER NEWS

Forget your computer password?  
Here's how to get a new one....

Go to <https://www.honors.arizona.edu/cgi-bin/labacc.plx>

Type in your student id; your user name should come up and allow you to select a new password. It takes 24-hours for processing.

Tired of crowded and noisy computer labs on campus? Why not give our Honors computer lab a try? All you need for access is a username and password and you can get those at:

<https://www.honors.arizona.edu/cgi-bin/labacc.plx>

The information is processed overnight, so your account won't be ready until the next day. It's open from 12pm to 8pm seven days a week. The lab is located on the bottom floor of the AZ/Sonora dorm, just left of the dorm's main entrance.

If you plan on graduating in May 2001 with Honors, please note the following timetable:

- March 1, 2001: An example title page and instructions, plus a required "Statement by Author" page will be sent to everyone who has completed their Honors degree check.
- March 21, 2001: The names of the potential May honors graduates will be sent to degree certification for publication in the graduation bulletin.
- May 2, 2001: The last day of classes and when your thesis is due at the Honors College, bound and signed off by your faculty mentor.
- May 3, 2001: The Honors College will host the Annual Graduation Award Ceremony. The Gold Cords will be presented and we will be recognizing this year's recipients of the Five Star Faculty Award, National and International Scholars, Academic Awards of Excellence and First Level Honors.

If you have not been in to have your Honors degree check and plan on graduating in May, with Honors, please make an appointment to see Barbara Whittlesey **before** March 16th.

## STUDY THIS SUMMER IN LONDON, ENGLAND

The City of London Arizona Educational Trust, Inc (COLAET) provides scholarships each summer to deserving students attending Arizona Colleges and Universities for study at the London Guildhall University in London, England. COLAET was formed by the Corporation of London in 1991 for the express purpose of enhancing the bond of friendship between the State of Arizona and the Corporation of London. The proceeds of the sale of an authentic English Pub, located in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, were used to initially fund the Trust, which has a seven member Board of Directors, including two from the United Kingdom, one a former Lord Mayor. Scholarship awards include airfare, tuition and room. Additionally the scholarships, to date, have included an allowance for books, meals and travel around London. Students have the opportunity to meet the sitting Lord Mayor, to attend a meeting of the Common Council and to meet with the United Kingdom Directors and Officers. Students attend classes for four to five hours per day and have numerous field trips related to their chosen field of study, which include English Cultural Studies, International Law, International Business, Banking and Finance, International Shipping, plus many others. The London Guildhall University is renowned for bringing together students from all over the world. This enables Arizona students to experience the excitement of London and get to know people from many diverse cultures at the same time. Most students take classes for three to five weeks, usually beginning in early July and return to Arizona in mid August. In early June COLAET will host an orientation meeting for selected students and their parents in Lake Havasu City, Arizona where you will meet former students and parents. Since 1993, COLAET has been financially assisted by the 800<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trust, which was established by Sir Christopher Collett (the 800<sup>th</sup> Lord Mayor of London). To be eligible students must be enrolled in an Arizona College or University and have completed or be completing their freshman year. You must complete an application (available at The Honors College) and write a one or two page essay describing how you think you will benefit from this experience. You must also send two letters of recommendation and forward a copy of your college transcript. Hard copies of these four documents must be sent to the following address by March 10, 2001. Email is not accepted. Six scholarships are available for Summer 2001.



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## HONORS STUDENT ATTENDS INAUGURATION ACADEMIC SEMINAR

Allison Jones, a pre-business freshman from Omaha, Nebraska, attended The Inauguration Academic Seminar in Washington, DC. The focus of the seminar was The Presidency in Transition. The seminar addressed communication challenges, Presidential appointments, understanding the Electoral College, and the relationship of the President and Congress, and included an evening of political humor with Mark Russell at Ford's Theater. The highlight of the seminar was attending the swearing-in and first official inauguration event. In addition to having a prime view of President Bush, Vice-President Cheney and their families, Allison saw Larry King, Ricky Martin, Jessica Simpson, Mohammed Ali, and the Rockettes.

Allison applied for the seminar, sponsored by the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, after reading about it on the Honors listserv. She arranged for elective academic credit in Honors. Allison learned from Bob Woodard of the *Washington Post* that "politics comes down to making people feel good about themselves and what the politician is doing." She says that Woodard attributed some of Clinton's extraordinary success in communication to intense eye contact and paying attention to his interviewer. Dr. David Abshire, president of the Center for the Study of the Presidency, told the seminar that to overcome the distrust of government, a new President needs to have a clear vision, select a capable cabinet who care about improving the quality of life, build trust, and pick a few **big dreams** and follow them.

Allison only recently became interested in politics. She summarizes her experience: "I never felt that I could make a difference, considering I wasn't of voting age. I failed to realize that being educated politically can make a difference because you can educate others and influence them to take an interest in local, state and federal politics." Allison intends to apply what she learned about politics and communication to her own campaign for ASUA senate. If you want to know who she supported in the presidential election, you'll have to ask her yourself!

## Honors Forum Luncheon Schedule Spring Semester 2001

Update - Locations of luncheons are listed below each topic. Serving begins promptly at the time indicated.

**Date: Tuesday, March 6, 12:30 PM**  
**Speaker: Soroosh Sorooshian,**  
**Regents Professor of Hydrology and Water Resources and Director of the Science and Technology Center**  
**Topic: Water Issues Pivotal in the 21st Century**  
**Location: Student Union Rincon Room**

Regents Professor Soroosh Sorooshian from the Department of Hydrology and Water Resources, is the Director of the new NSF Science and Technology Center, a multi-university center that will develop ways to efficiently manage water resources in semiarid regions. The world's water resources are under extreme stress in many semiarid regions because of rapid development, variations in climate and disruptions caused by long-term climate change. Sustaining these resources through the 21st century will depend on correctly managing water resources systems. Dr. Sorooshian will review how the new center he directs will play a major role in removing some of the political debate that now surrounds water issues by providing hard scientific facts relevant to the issues.

**Date: Wednesday, April 11,**  
**12:00 PM**  
**Speaker: Yuri Makino, Assistant Professor of Media Arts**  
**Topic: Producing an Independent Film: The Making of Alma**  
**Location: Newman Center, downstairs 1615 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street**

Media Arts Assistant Professor Yuri Makino will discuss the making of Alma, her feature film in development. Inspired by a true story, Alma portrays a young Chicana who discovers she's not a US citizen, and after jail and deportation to a country she has never known, must begin the painful process of rebuilding her identity. As co-writer and director of Alma, Ms. Makino will share her experiences on the creative and business aspects of producing an independent film. Ms. Makino plans to shoot Alma in Southern Arizona in Fall 2001.

## POETRY CONTEST

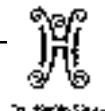


The Tucson Branch of the Arizona

State Poetry Society is offering a \$500 poetry scholarship for students at the University of Arizona. To be considered, a student must send 5 to 7 poems to:

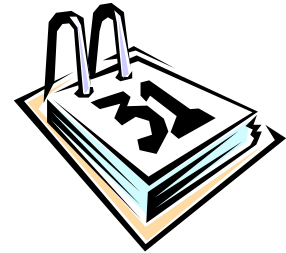
ASPS Scholarship, c/o The Poetry Center, 1216 N. Cherry Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85719. The deadline is Friday, March 9, 2001. The winner will be asked to do a reading at the ASPS meeting on April 28th, 2001. For more information please see our website:

<http://www.coh.arizona.edu/poetry>



## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>March 6</b>	Last day to withdraw from a class with a grade of "W" without Dean's signature
<b>March 10-18</b>	<b>SPRING BREAK</b>
<b>March 31</b>	Begin Fall 2001 RSVP registration
<b>May 2</b>	Last day of classes
<b>May 4</b>	Begin Final Exams
<b>May 12</b>	Commencement
<b>May 12</b>	Residence Halls close
<b>May 19</b>	Spring 2001 grades available on RSVP



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