Allegany College of Maryland honored its most-outstanding students with more than 80 individuals presented with awards at the recent 43rd Annual All-College Awards Ceremony.

Achievement and excellence in academics, athletics and service to the college and community was recognized in 70 different awards categories in over three-dozen subject headings.

Welcoming the awards recipients and others to the ceremony was Erin Yokum, ACM’s director of student life. ACM’s president, Dr. Cynthia Bambara, extended greetings.

The winners were congratulated for their achievements and ACM faculty and staff members were thanked for their efforts on behalf of students. The Cumberland-campus ceremony was hosted by the Student Government Association.

The awards recipients, listed according to subject, are as follows:

- Allied Health Technician -- outstanding student awards: Kendall Ferguson of Bedford, Pa., (phlebotomy); Kendall Ferguson of Bedford, Pa., (EKG); Britnay Shoemaker of Mount Savage (nursing assistant); Taryn Thompson of Cumberland (nursing assistant-evening class); Katherine Loar of Cumberland (pharmacy technician); Elizabeth Emerick of Cresaptown (Myron E. Blough memorial award in pharmacy technician);
- Art – most valuable art student, Donna Kroll of Rockwood, Pa.;
- Athletics -- outstanding male student-athlete, Adam Wells of Cumberland; outstanding female student-athlete, Gina Rievel of Johnstown, Pa.;
- Automotive Technology – outstanding auto tech student, Jeff Stewart of Lonaconing;
- Business Administration -- outstanding business students, Julia Dietz of LaVale, (Cumberland campus), Carla Appleby of Everett, Pa., (Bedford County Campus) and Lois Pritts (Somerset County Campus); business professionalism awards, Tiffanie Williams of Frostburg (Cumberland campus) and Nicole Donaldson of Hopewell, Pa., (Pennsylvania campuses);
- Communication Arts Technology -- outstanding achievement in communication arts technology, Caitlin Squires of Oldtown;
- Computer Science and Technology – outstanding students in computer science and technology: Jonathan Shirley of Cumberland (programming option); Angeleah Zeilinger of Three Springs, Pa., (Web development option); Caleb Curry of Six Mile Run, Pa., (technical support option) and Benjamin Brown of Somerset, Pa., (network option); overall computer science and technology achievement, Ryan Turner of Saxton, Pa.;
- Criminal Justice – outstanding students in criminal justice: Bobbie Beitzel of Grantsville and Jennifer Biddle of Cumberland, (Victor Reuschlein award); Alexiaya Wilson of Upper Marlboro, (criminology); and Nicholas Costello of
Frostburg (distance learning award);
- Culinary Arts – outstanding culinary arts student, Rebekah Yarbrough of Ridgeley, W.Va.;
- Democracy Commitment – excellence in civic engagement, Krystyna Avers of Cumberland, Cayley Cormier of Lusby and Kelly Robertson of Cumberland;
- Dental Hygiene -- outstanding achievement in pharmacology, oral pathology and periodontics, Tiffany Bunch of McConnellsburg, Pa.;
- Diversity Center -- Focus on Women awards: Hannah Brant of Meyersdale, Pa.; Joyce Bradshaw of Cumberland; Moriah Green of Burtonsville; Alyssa Marvel of LaVale; Heather McElwee of Saxton, Pa.; Susan Silbaugh of Friendsville and Nikka Tagayuna of Cumberland; Rev. George and Catherin Hazen Memorial Scholarship, Alana Gonzalez of Rockville;
- Education – service to children awards, Ashleigh Clise of Mount Savage, Hannah Jenkins of Cumberland, Brody Mackert of Cumberland, Tonia Ritchie of Cresaptown and Zachary Steckman of Cumberland;
- English – outstanding student in English, Jessica Miller of Paw Paw, W.Va.
- Engineering – outstanding engineering student, Brandyn Smith of Cumberland;
- Forestry -- William L. Cones award to outstanding second-year forestry student, Alyssa Marvel of LaVale; North American forest technician honorary, Joshua Eichelberger of Riddlesburg, Pa.;
- History -- Clio award, Brody Mackert of Cumberland; Sister Mary Alice Belanger award, Eric Szymanski II of Cumberland;
- Hospitality Management – outstanding hotel-restaurant management student, Kathryn Weber of Cumberland
- Human Service Associate – Rodney Frazier award for advocacy, Joyce Bradshaw of Cumberland; Barb Mullenax award for personal and professional development, Stephanie Bond of Frostburg and Debra Mayer of LaVale; academic and clinical achievement award, Joyce Bradshaw of Cumberland;
- Mathematics – outstanding math achievement, Thomas Morehead of Frostburg, outstanding math student, Heather Bartlett of Ridgeley, W.Va.;
- Medical Assistant – Heart of Healthcare award, Sundie McBee of Cumberland;
- Medical Laboratory Technology – outstanding MLT student, Nicole Husick of Everett, Pa.;
- Music – music and performance award, Lisa Martin of Barton;
- Nursing – Margaret Keller Memorial awards, Rachel Newcomer of Levels, W.Va., (Cumberland campus) and Jolee Younk in of Rockwood, Pa. (Somerset County Campus); nursing faculty awards, Zach Dudek of Bedford, Pa., (Cumberland campus) and Brianne Peck of Rockwood, Pa. (Somerset County Campus); psychiatric nursing award, Philip Boch of Mount Savage;
- Occupational Therapy Assistant – most improved student award, Samantha Barton of Cresaptown;
- Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society -- special recognition awards, Carla Appelby of Everett, Pa., Charles Reuter of Everett, Pa., and Caitlin Squires of Oldtown; 2014 All-Maryland Academic First Team, Caitlin Squires of Oldtown
and Jill Loffert of Cresaptown; 2014 Guistwhite Scholar and 2014 Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team Gold Scholar, Jill Loffert of Cresaptown;

- Physical Therapist Assistant – PTA professionalism award, Janessa Wills of Ridgeley, W.Va.;
- Political Science – Lowell Markey political science award, Kelly Robertston of Cumberland and Eric Szymanski II of Cumberland;
- Radiologic Technology -- academic excellence award, Zachary Craig of Clearville, Pa.;
- Residence Life -- Supernova Scholarship recipient, Brandi Sartor of Capital Heights; outstanding contributions to Willowbrook Woods, Joshua Wofford of Randallstown;
- Respiratory Therapy -- Lucile R. Jones award, Lyndsey Layton of Breezewood, Pa.;
- Science – outstanding student awards: Sean Flanagan of LaVale and Randy Snowberger of East Freedom, Pa., (physics); George Nolan of Frostburg (plant sciences); Dustin Tippen of LaVale (general biology); Shannon Knopsnyder of Rockwood, Pa., (anatomy and physiology); Tim Nowacki of Cumberland (general chemistry); and Sean Flanagan of LaVale and Jason McBee of Fort Ashby, W.Va., (organic chemistry);
- Spanish – outstanding student in Spanish, Joel Bender of Meyersdale, Pa.;

Following the awards presentations, the SGA hosted a reception in the College Center. Music was provided by Don Robinson, ACM professor of mathematics.

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PHOTO CAPTION==Allegany College of Maryland’s Student Government Association hosted ACM’s recent 43rd Annual All-College Awards Ceremony. Erin Yokum, SGA adviser, recognized SGA members (from left) Fatumata Siaka, Jill Loffert and Joyce Bradshaw for their contributions to student life at the community college. In all, more than 80 students received awards in academics, athletics and college and community service.