

# Alumni Association celebrates 10 Within 10 class of 2019



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The Oakland University Alumni Association recently celebrated its newest class of 10 Within 10 Award winners at a special dinner event at historic Meadow Brook Hall.

"This diverse class of difference makers is inspirational for the work they have accomplished so soon after graduation," said Amanda Fylan, assistant director of Alumni



*Oakland University's Office of Alumni Engagement welcomed its newest class of 10 Within 10 Alumni Award recipients with a ceremony in May.*

Engagement for Oakland University. "These young professionals represent the many outstanding OU graduates we will be reading and hearing about as they continue to ascend their career ladders in the coming years."

Oakland University's Young Alumni Chapter sponsors the 10 Within 10 Awards each year. The awards recognize young alumni who have made an exceptional impact within their professions and throughout their communities. In order to qualify, recipients must have graduated from OU within the last 10 years and be 35 years old or younger.

This year's class includes:

- Michael Fiorillo, CAS `09  
Vice Chair, Michigan Board of Social Work
- Louise Harder, SHS `17  
Michigan Higher Ed Network Coordinator, Prevention Network  
Strategist, The Army of Survivors
- Brandon Lee, CAS `09  
Director of Organizational Development & Effectiveness, United Way for Southeastern Michigan
- Elizabeth Lekarczyk, SECS `18  
Manufacturing Engineering, FCA
- Kyle Nieporte, SON `11  
Regional Vice President, Covenant Surgical Partners
- Paige Pattenauade, CAS `15  
Adoption Specialist, Ennis Center for Children
- Kara Tripi, CAS `13 and `16  
Senior Recruitment and Admissions Coordinator, College of Engineering, University of Michigan
- Gina Valente, CAS `10  
Order Processing Manager, Woodland Direct
- Melissa Winkler, CAS `09  
Attorney, Fakhoury Global Immigration USA, PC
- Tej Yale, SBA `13 and `16  
Founder/CEO, ThinkImpact1st  
Founder/CEO of ThinkHelping

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