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OU graduates honored at Spring Commencement

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Oakland University celebrated fall 2000 and spring 2001 graduates at Spring Commencement exercises May 5. Nearly 1,300 students received diplomas over five ceremonies.

Awards honoring individual graduates were given at several ceremonies.

At the **College of Arts and Sciences**, School of Health Sciences and Bachelor of General Studies ceremony, Charles Archer and Cristina Kapustij each received the 2001 Alfred G. Wilson and Matilda R. Wilson Award. Natasha Vanover was awarded the 2001 Human Relations Award. Julie Borkin and Eva Nichole Spry each received Meritorious Achievement Awards.

At the **School of Engineering and Computer Science** ceremony, Christopher Williams received the Exceptional Achievement Award, Dandan He received the Academic Achievement Award, Angela Mulberger received the Service Award and Philip Siemiantkowski received the Professional Development Award.

At the **School of Business Administration** ceremony, Judy Clark received the Wall Street Journal Award. Undergraduates Peggy Studzinski, Devora Davis and Carrie Stehlin and MBA recipient Gary Lowe each received the Paul F. Lorenz Texas Instruments Award.

At the **School of Nursing** ceremony, the Board of Visitors Excellence in Nursing Award was given to Alexandra Demopoulos (BSN), Christa Filbeck (RN/BSN) and Shirley Hilzinger (MSN). Leola Lalios received the Leadership Award, Kelley Stevens received the Harcourt Book Award, Dylan Barnes-Lofti received the Ylvisaker Outstanding Achievement Award, Ceri Faas received the Agatha Hodgins Award, Becky Ryerse received the School of Nursing Gift Scholarship, Mark Campbell received the Edward Petrovich Scholarship, and Jaclyn Rekstis received the Exceptional Achievement Award and the Tekla Strom Ylvisaker Endowed Scholarship. Danica Ninkovic was presented with the Alumni Award.

The **School of Education and Human Services** did not give awards, but their ceremony was highlighted by the "Remarks for the Undergraduates" by Kelley VanBaak, a Human Resource Development graduate, and the "Remarks for the Graduates" by Joann L. Washington, a Reading and Language Arts graduate.

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