

2019

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

# COLLEGE AWARDS CEREMONY



**APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>**

6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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**MSU UNION**

Ballroom



College of Social Science  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

# College Awards Ceremony

Thank you for attending the College of Social Science Awards program. Tonight, we recognize the best of the best. The individuals honored are making an impact in companies, communities, Michigan State University, and around the world.

## 2019 Program

**WELCOME AND PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

**Rachel Croson, PhD**  
Dean, College of Social Science and MSU Foundation Professor of Economics

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE WALL OF FAME**

**Inductees**

**FACULTY HONOREES**

**Outstanding Teacher Award**  
**Rising Star Research Award**  
**Cross-Disciplinary Research Award**  
**Leadership Council Research Award**  
**Teaching Excellence Award**

**ALUMNI HONOREES**

**Distinguished Alumni Award**  
**Alumni Service Award**  
**Young Alumni Award**  
**Philanthropy Award**  
**Humanitarian Award**

**CLOSING REMARKS**

**Rachel Croson, PhD**

SCHOOL OF  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE  
**Wall of  
Fame**

The School of Criminal Justice Wall of Fame honors a select group of alumni who have distinguished themselves by attaining the highest level of professional accomplishment while demonstrating strong personal integrity and character. The standards are extremely high and attract an impressive group of individuals who are truly the “best of the best”.

2000 - 2019  
**HONOREES**

2019	Thomas Brooks Marlon Lynch John Smykla	2011	Eve Buzawa James Frank William Horrell Karen Morris Michael Pearson Richard Post Bruce Sokolove	2005	John Conley Larry Hoover Radford Jones Wan Koo Lee Robert Ressler
2018	Andra Bannister Matt Heins Rodney Kinghorn	2010	John Angell Michael Bouchard Thomas Brennan, Jr Steven Edwards Charles Soltys Robert Trojanowicz*	2004	Avon Burns Dae Chang Kenneth Christian Dennis Payne Charles Pegg Victor Strecher
2016	Mark Alley Joseph Schafer Michelle Young	2009	Noel Bufe Robert Engel Knowlton Johnson Richard Myers Charles Rinkevich Kenneth Christian*	2003	Darryl Bruestle Gary Cordner William Cunningham Jack Greene Wayne Hall Hollis Whitaker
2015	Kelvin Banks Eljay Bowron David Carter Ritchie Davis Paul Sparks	2008	Thomas Hendrickson Glenford Leonard Doreen Olko Michael Oltersdorf Michael Thompson Clifford Van Meter	2002	Walter Bothe Russell Colling Rex Scouten Theodore Vernier
2014	Steven Bogdalek Donna Hale Dennis Halverson William Nash	2007	James Botting Ellen Cokinos Robin Haarr Jonathan White	2001	H. Stuart Knight Yoon Ho Lee Donald Pincomb Paul West Pamela Withrow
2013	Richard Bernitt Robert Corso John Donovan Daniel Heyns Beth Huebner Patricia Nowak Darrell Ross Timothy Bynum*	2006	R. Barri Flowers Walter Lloyd Audrey Z. Martini Nancy Oesch David Westrate	2000	Arthur Brandstatter Emil Eschenburg Penny Harrington Gordon Kettler Bill Livingood Donald Weatherspoon

\* *Distinguished Faculty Inductee*

# SCHOOL OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE Wall of Fame



## JOHN SMYKLA

John Smykla earned his PhD from Michigan State University's School of Criminal Justice in 1977. Before retirement, Smykla served as the Director & Professor at the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Florida Atlantic University. His research and teaching interests included corrections, offender reentry, police-worn body cameras, and high-impact learning.



## THOMAS BROOKS

Thomas Brooks graduated from Michigan State University in 1982 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Social Sciences with a dual major in Criminal Justice and Psychology. Brooks has been with the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department in Texas since 1983, and now serves as the Executive Director/Chief Juvenile Probation Officer. Most recently, Mr. Brooks has been instrumental in implementing the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative.



## MARLON LYNCH

Marlon Lynch graduated with Bachelor of Science from the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University in 1995. Lynch also holds a master's degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Boston University. He is currently the Senior Vice President of Campus Services and Safety at New York University. Lynch is a decorated public safety professional with over 22 years of experience in university settings.

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# Faculty Awards

**Outstanding  
Teacher Award**

**Rising Star  
Research Award**

**Cross-Disciplinary  
Research Award**

**Leadership Council  
Research Award**

**Teaching  
Excellence Award**

## OUTSTANDING TEACHER AWARD



### KASTON ANDERSON-CARPENTER

Dr. Kaston Anderson-Carpenter is an Assistant Professor in Michigan State University's Psychology department. Professor Anderson-Carpenter teaches Health Psychology and Community Psychology courses. His research focuses on substance use and social determinants of health in marginalized and underserved communities, and he is the director of the Advancing Community Empowerment and Social Justice (ACES) laboratory on campus.

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This individual demonstrates superior teaching skills and an excellent ability to connect with students.

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Recognizes junior faculty contributions to the reputation of Michigan State University as a world leader in social science research through externally recognized publications, grants or awards, and/or research-supportive centers or infrastructure.

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## **RISING STAR RESEARCH AWARD**



### **BILL CHOPIK**

Dr. Bill Chopik is an assistant professor in the Psychology Department at Michigan State University. Chopik is a social-personality psychologist interested in how relationships and the people in them change over time and across situations. His work examines phenomena as broad as how relationships and social institutions shape development and as focused as the hormonal mechanisms that underlie love and intimacy.

## **CROSS-DISCIPLINARY RESEARCH AWARD**



### **PEILEI FAN**

Dr. Peilei Fan is an associate professor of Urban & Regional Planning in the School of Planning, Design, and Construction at Michigan State University. Fan also holds a joint research appointment at the Center for Global Change and Earth Observations, and is an adjunct faculty member of the Department of Geography at MSU. Her research focuses on the urban environment, innovation and economic development.

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## **CROSS-DISCIPLINARY RESEARCH AWARD**



### **STEVEN KOZLOWSKI**

Dr. Steve Kozlowski is a Professor of Organizational Psychology at Michigan State University. His theory and research are focused on the design of active learning, simulation, and synthetic experience to develop adaptive skills; systems for enhancing team learning and team effectiveness; and the role of team leaders in shaping team development. Some of his current research on team cohesion is being conducted for and funded by NASA.

## **LEADERSHIP COUNCIL RESEARCH AWARD**



### **ED MCGARRELL**

Dr. Ed McGarrell is a Professor in the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University. McGarrell's primary research interest is in communities and crime and the development of evidence-based strategies for violence reduction. Since 2002 he has led an MSU team that has served as the national research partner for the U.S. Department of Justice's Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) program.

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Recognizes Michigan State University faculty who have made important and significant contributions to his or her discipline, department, college, and university in regards to research.

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The Teaching Excellence Award honors ISS faculty who demonstrate exceptional performance in the classroom, innovate effectively, inspire learning, and have a lasting impact on the quality of the student experience at MSU.

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## TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD



### JOHN DUNN

Dr. John Dunn, a Michigan State University Assistant Professor, joined the Center for Integrative Studies (ISS) in 2017. Dr. Dunn previously taught ISS and History courses as a member of MSU's Department of History. During his time at MSU, he has championed innovation in the classroom and partnered with colleagues in the Honors College, the College of Engineering, and Math/Integrative Studies to foster student learning and success.

## TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARD



### RALPH PYLE

Dr. Ralph Pyle is a Visiting Assistant Professor at Michigan State University in the Center for Integrative Studies (ISS). His research has been in the area of the sociology of religion. Dr. Pyle's students consistently rated him one of ISS's best instructors. Although he retired in 2016, Dr. Pyle has continued to teach ISS courses on race and ethnicity, as well as national diversity and change. He believes that effective learning takes place when students are involved in class activities and when students are allowed to respond to readings and issues in a risk-free environment.

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# Alumni Awards

**Distinguished Alumni Award**

**Alumni Service Award**

**Young Alumni Award**

**Philanthropy Award**

**Humanitarian Award**

## **DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD**



### **MILES GORDON**

Miles Gordon is a Detroit native, father of two and a devoted husband. Gordon attended Michigan State University and graduated in 1968 with a Bachelor of Arts in Social Science. During his career, Gordon was a very successful investment broker/dealer high profile corporations, including Aetna Inc., where he led a sales force of over 10,000 people nationwide. Gordon retired in 2003. He has participated on the MSU School of Social Sciences Board of Visitors and enjoys speaking to MSU students on economics, history and the stock market.

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Given to alumni who have differentiated themselves by obtaining the highest level of professional accomplishment.

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## ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD



### DON SPENCE

Donald Spence graduated in 1975 with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Michigan State University. Spence is the President and CEO of Ebb Therapeutics, Inc., a medical device company based in Pittsburgh, PA. He has over 40 years of experience with several large global companies in areas of finance, operations, sales and marketing and general management. Spence also received a master's degree in Economics from Central Michigan University in 1979 and he now resides in Clarkston, Michigan with his wife Pat, a 1975 MSU Psychology graduate.

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## ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD



### ANN TOMLANOVICH

Ann Tomlanovich holds a Bachelor of Science in Anthropology from Michigan State University, an M.A. in Organizational Management from Central Michigan University, and a J.D. from Detroit College of Law, now MSU College of Law. Tomlanovich has held director level positions in customer satisfaction, supply chain and profit and loss business units in Chrysler Group before retiring in 2007. Ann currently serves on the College's Women's Leadership Institute Executive Board of Advisors.

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Presented to Michigan State University College of Social Science graduate who has demonstrated service to the college and/or meritorious public service on a local, state, national, or international level.

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## YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD



### BROOKE YOST

Brooke Yost holds a master's degree from MSU's the Human Resources and Labor Relations (HRLR) School and a bachelor's degree from the Broad Business College. Yost will soon become the Senior Director of Global HR Strategy and Planning at Whirlpool. She was formerly the Vice President of Human Resources of Power Systems Division for Eaton. Yost currently serves on the HRLR Advisory Board, and has led subcommittees on various topics, including the new HR undergraduate program. Brooke and her family are excited to be moving back to west Michigan.

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## YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD



### MICHAEL WATSON

Michael Watson graduated from Michigan State University in 2010 with a Bachelor's of Science in Economics. He is currently the Director of Data Engineering at Citadel. Watson also spent five years working in research and research automation at JD Power and Associates. He currently serves on the MSU Economics advisory board. Watson is a sailor, snowboarder, and mountain climbing enthusiast.

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Given to College of Social Science graduates of the last ten years who have distinguished themselves through a high level of professional accomplishment early in their career. These individuals demonstrate a commitment to the College of Social Science through outstanding volunteer service on behalf of the university, and/or participation and leadership in meritorious public service on a local, state, national, or international level.

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Given to a College of Social Science graduate with demonstrated support, aid and action designed to alleviate suffering and maintain and protect human dignity on a global, regional, or local scale.

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## HUMANITARIAN AWARD



### KAREN SCHROCK

Karen Schrock holds both a bachelor's degree in Psychology, and a master's degree in Criminal Justice from Michigan State University. Schrock retired in 2015 from Adult Well-Being Services after serving as President & CEO for 17 years. Prior to that, she worked for the Michigan Department of Public Health for 20 years. Karen currently serves on the College's Social Science Scholars Alumni Board of Advisors.

## PHILANTHROPY AWARD



### CHRISTINE MASON SONERAL

Christine Mason Soneral graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in PreLaw/Political Science and received her Juris Doctorate degree from Indiana University's Maurer School of Law- Bloomington. She is currently Senior Vice President and General Counsel for ITC Holdings Corp. She is responsible for all corporate legal affairs and leadership of ITC's Legal Department. Christine currently serves on the College's Women's Leadership Institute Executive Board and the Dean's Board of Visitors.

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Presented to an individual, family, association, corporation, or foundation with a proven record of providing major, ongoing financial support and leadership to the College of Social Science at Michigan State University.

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# Thank You

Congratulations to all of the  
award recipients!



OUR SCIENCE **TRANSFORMS THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE**  
AND INSPIRES LEADERS



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