

Brian Washburn



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The 2021 Honors Convocation will honor Professor Emeritus Mr. Brian Washburn.

Professor Washburn brought credit to SUNY Canton through his faculty service in the Science Department and Extended Studies offerings, a Department Chair, a Middle States Accreditation Chair, a Curriculum Coordinator, the faculty liaison to SUNY Upstate Medical University, numerous faculty committees, and administrative assignments.

Among his many and notable career successes, Washburn created the exceptionally popular environmental science courses for non-science majors. The courses' dynamic content emphasized environmental concerns using the campus and surrounding communities as a classroom. In the faculty introduction to the online version of Introduction to Environmental Science he stated that introductory courses in the sciences, in his opinion, although important, often lacked a wholistic and unified approach to citizen awareness of environmental issues. As someone born post WWII, he also accepted the responsibility of his generation contributing to the current state of the planet.

Washburn's fundamental philosophy for his environmental science courses was based on his individual beliefs and actions. He was among the first St. Lawrence County residents to adopt geothermal energy. His residence obtains its thermal energy requirements from an earth-coupled geothermal heat pump system and on-demand domestic hot water system. Its net metered photovoltaic array generates more electricity than the residence's yearly electric demand and he drives a hybrid vehicle. Additionally, the residence's gardens supply a significant portion of the predominately plant-based household diet during the growing season and beyond. The residence's ecological footprint is less than 25% of the U.S. average.

Hired in 1973 as an instructor, Washburn taught introductory chemistry courses for non-science and science, engineering technology, and health majors as well as all the organic chemistry courses offered by the college. He created the environmental courses in the 1990's as a means of addressing the science requirements for non-science majors outside the traditional science disciplines. Based on his experience and when the need arose, he also taught introductory biology and microbiology laboratory classes during his 41-year career at the college. He was promoted to Assistant Professor in 1977, Associate Professor in 1982, and Professor in 1986. He was one of the longest serving Professors at the college when he retired and received emeritus status in 2014.

Following his retirement, Washburn remained active with the Raquette Valley Habitat for Humanity chapter, serving with Professor Emeritus William Fassinger. Washburn is currently the chair of the Watershed Management Committee on the St. Lawrence County Environmental Management Council. He lives with his wife, Karen, at their environmentally friendly and energy-efficient home in Canton.

PROGRAM

SPEECHES



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dr. Zvi Szafran, *President*

Welcome students, faculty, staff, family and friends to our second virtual Honors Convocation. I wish I were able to be with you in person to offer congratulations as each of you cross the stage.

Although I can't physically see the honorees today, I want you to know that I am well aware of the hard work you have put into earning this recognition, because I have been following your progress throughout the year with admiration. I have seen you walking to class, studying at the library, and even participating in safe, socially-distanced fun. I've also enjoyed chatting with you at the many, many virtual events and meetings we've had.

It's no exaggeration to say your achievements deserve extra recognition, particularly because you were able to persevere while facing an enormous hardship. It would have been easy to quit when the going got tough. But, you didn't—you Kept. Moving. Forward. Your persistence has undoubtedly proved you are ready to face anything life throws at you.

I'd also like to acknowledge the frontline workers, volunteers, and military members who have cared for or kept others safe during the pandemic, all while attending class, completing assignments, and studying for tests. What an incredible accomplishment. You represent the best of SUNY Canton, and on behalf of the the entire campus – we thank you for your service.

As we enter a new phase of post-pandemic life, each of you will be carrying the lessons you have learned about yourselves – and your abilities – into the future. The country is going to need resilient, adaptive leaders who have experience performing under less-than-ideal circumstances. I encourage you to seek out opportunities where you can apply your innate strengths, perhaps in areas that help our nation rebound from this crisis.

So, again, congratulations to everyone watching today, and I look forward to seeing the Class of 2021 on the commencement stage in a few weeks. Until then, take care and stay safe.



PROVOST'S MESSAGE

Dr. Peggy DeCooke, *Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs*

Greetings, everyone. Although we can't gather in the Roos House to celebrate your achievements in person, it doesn't diminish the pride we have in your ability to meet the challenges the past year has presented.

Like President Szafran, I have also been following your progress closely and am in awe of your ability to adapt to a completely new academic environment. And on top of adjusting to virtual classes, online labs, video presentations, and phone conferences, many of you lost the connections to classmates, teammates, coaches, professors and others who are crucial to the college experience. Now that we are seeing a light at the end of the tunnel, I hope you will reach out and re-connect with people who are important to you.

To all the family and friends who have joined us today: I'd like to extend our gratitude for your support. This is your achievement, too. Students who have a caring network of people who are invested in their success is just as valuable as an education.

To our honorees: as you finish the semester and continue on your path, I hope that you remain aware of the challenges our society is facing. Your professors have given you the ability to take what you've learned here and apply it to solve real-world problems. We have prepared you to be "doers" – a competency that companies and organizations will need desperately as we recover from the pandemic.

For now, celebrate your achievements with those closest to you. I look forward to the day when I can congratulate you all in person.

Take care and keep learning.



COLLEGE COUNCIL MESSAGE

Mr. Ronald O'Neill, *College Council President*

Honored students, families and friends, faculty, staff and friends of SUNY Canton, I am Ronald O'Neill, President of the SUNY Canton College Council.

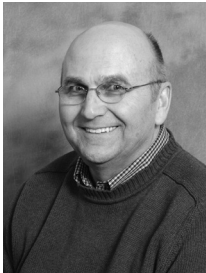
On behalf of the entire College Council I am pleased to welcome you to our virtual 2021 Honors Convocation, named this year after Professor Emeritus Mr. Brian Washburn.

Becoming an honors student is not an easy task. We recognize the hard work, dedication and sacrifice necessary to reach this point. It is most fitting that your accomplishments are recognized at this convocation.

Each of you is being honored today as a result of your outstanding academic achievements. I am delighted to congratulate you and to also recognize our faculty and staff for the roles they have played in providing you with the best possible learning environment.

To all our honorees, this is your special day. Take a moment to savor your accomplishments and to thank and remember all those who helped you along the way.

We wish you continued success, whether in your academic career, or as you move on to other opportunities. SUNY Canton is proud of you!



HONORS CONVOCATION NAMESAKE

Professor Emeritus Mr. Brian Washburn
Honors Convocation Namesake

Professor Brian Washburn was hired in 1973 and spent his entire 41-year career with the college. He was promoted to assistant professor in 1977, associate professor in 1982 and professor in 1986. He was one of the longest serving professors at the college when he retired and received emeritus status in 2014.

In addition to teaching introductory chemistry courses for non-science and science, engineering technology and health majors as well as all the organic chemistry courses, Professor Washburn created the exceptionally popular environmental science courses for non-science majors. The courses' dynamic content emphasized environmental concerns using the campus and surrounding communities as a classroom demonstrating SUNY Canton's focus on applied, real-world learning. He developed this class as a means of creating a unified and wholistic approach to the awareness of environmental issues.

Professor Washburn would have students take water samples from the Grasse River behind campus and analyze them in the laboratory. He used his own energy efficient home as an example for the class. His course came prior to the Civil and Environmental Engineering Technology program and any of the courses offered on alternative energy through the Canino School of Engineering Technology, making him one of the resident authorities on the subject of green living. As someone born after World War II, otherwise known as a Baby Boomer, he said that he accepted his generations responsibility for contributing to the current state of the planet, including climate change.

He earned the College Council's Distinguished Faculty Award in 2003 and was noted for his exceptional work as chair of the Middle States Accreditation Self-Study. For those unfamiliar with Accreditation, it is essentially a report card for the college. We earned, and continue to earn, high marks.

In retirement, Professor Washburn has remained active with the Raquette Valley Habitat for Humanity Chapter and is chair of the Watershed Management Committee on the St. Lawrence County Environmental Management Council.

ACADEMIC AWARDS RECIPIENTS

These awards are based on the highest cumulative average as of January 2021 by program within an academic school.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS and LIBERAL ARTS

Accounting	Keeley Grizzuto, 2021 Kamren LeBire, 2024
Business Administration, AAS	Matthew Headland, 2021 Filip Carl Henrik Schlyter, 2024
Business Administration, AS.....	Ashante Nashay Jama, 2024
Early Childhood.....	Laura K. Brown, 2024 Abigale Fink, 2021
Liberal Arts: General Studies	Gracy J. Emmerton, 2024
Agribusiness Management.....	Gennifer Boyer, 2024 Patrick John Kenneth Dubuque, 2022 Karly Rothvoss, 2021
Applied Psychology.....	Zaida Lee Bello, 2024 Sherry M. Harmer, 2024 Audrey M. Martin, 2024 Lindsay McCarty, 2021 Livia R. Shaver, 2024 Brittany Streeter, 2022 Hannah Elizabeth White, 2023
Early Childhood Care & Management	Sydney Hamilton, 2021 Fatima A. Hassad-Khan, 2024 Emily R. McGregor, 2023 Donica Margaret Robinson, 2022
Esports Management.....	Joseph Wayne Dantuono, 2022 Ozzy Silva, 2024
Finance	Allie Marie Arpino, 2022 Adam Patrick Burney, 2021 Jordan Carr, 2022 Ashly M. Costello, 2021 Conner M Flynn, 2024 Abigail Hendrick, 2024 Matthew Meader, 2022 Abigail Ruth Shearer, 2022 Fahmida Tafader, 2024 Megan Woodard, 2024

Health Care Management	Krystle Burgos, 2024 Nicole Chiu, 2022 Daniel Dunn, 2024 Sara Alicia Gorbea, 2024 Charles King, 2021 Maurice Love, 2024 Eleanor Ja'Lena Manuel, 2024 Elisheva Monczyk, 2024 Hunter Colin Moran, 2024 Madison Phillips, 2021 Christina Michelle Rogers, 2024 Sarah Roselli Ortiz, 2021 Irina Khikmatovna Safarova, 2024 Diane M. Shearer, 2023 Hannah Sabrina Yagudina, 2024
Legal Studies.....	Claudia Diana Benitez, 2024 Kareem J. Dawkins, 2024 Kristine A. Furgison, 2023 Olivia Margaret Guthrie, 2024 Angela Hanley, 2024 Charlotte Huether, 2021 Margaret Jean Ketchen, 2021 Amy C. Lewis, 2024 Kaitlyn M. Manley Smith, 2024 Marrissa Alissa Martinez, 2024 Neishia M. Mitchell, 2021 Anthony Pensabene, 2024 Ayoka Smith, 2022 Jessica Marie Vickers, 2024 Samantha Clara Woolford, 2024
Management.....	Zachary LaFave, 2022 Alexis M. Metott, 2023 Adam Stanley Petric, 2021 Brittany Pierce, 2024
Technological Communications	Eban Estevez, 2023 Brian Knowles, 2022

CANINO SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

Electrical Construction and Maintenance	Sebastian Rhys Narvaez, 2021
Automotive Technology	Keyan Lee Deom, 2023 Brenden Charles Lauzon, 2021
Civil Engineering Technology	Sebastien Paquette, 2022 Lucas Roy, 2022

Computer Information Systems	Josh D. Miller, 2021
Construction Technology: Management.....	Joseph Love, 2021 Cole Murray, 2022
Electrical Engineering Technology, AAS.....	Erik D. Hull, 2023 Riley Tucker, 2021
Engineering Science 2+2.....	Conagher Buckmaster, 2021 Christian Storm Kingsbury, 2022
HVAC Engineering Technology.....	Justin LaRue, 2022
HVAC Trades, AOS	Nathan Andrew Cota, 2022 Ian F. Tuthill, 2022
Mechanical Engineering Technology, AAS	Xaris Zotos, 2021
Civil & Environmental Engineering Technology.....	Mark D. Antonik, 2023 Dyllon Bougor, 2023 Jad Mike Karroum, 2024 Joseph M. Werner, 2021
Electrical Engineering Technology	Caleb Bondy, 2023 Aaron Mejia, 2024 Michael Peter Remington, 2022 Ansen Charles Weegar, 2024 Peter Alex Xanthaky, 2021
Game Design and Development	Ismail M. Abdelmegied, 2024 Sebastian E. Boyer, 2024 Eric Ruimin Chen, 2024 Kyle Stephen Chen, 2023 John J. Frick, 2023 Tobias N. Hall, 2024 Liam T. Szabo, 2023 Trent T. Yourdon, 2024
Graphic and Multimedia Design.....	Charlotte Baldwin, 2024 Darcel Downing, 2023 Jonathan Christian Oakes, 2024 Mary Schneider, 2022 Michael Wilson, 2021
Industrial Technology Management.....	Anthony Figueroa, 2022 Shane Moyer, 2023
Information Technology.....	Dylan T. Bradley, 2023 Joshua Francis D'Souza, 2023 Hannah M. Grant, 2022 Jayden Kench, 2024

Mechanical Engineering Technology	Andrew P. Fitch, 2021 Bryan O'Hearon, 2022 Mason R. Spink, 2024 Nathan R. Spooner, 2024
Mechatronics Technology.....	Galista J. Fraser, 2024 Matthew T. Passaretti, 2023 Daniel S. Whitton, 2021
Sustainable Energy Technology.....	Emanuel Victor Garcia-Nyers, 2023 Billie Rivenburgh, 2021

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, HEALTH and CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Practical Nursing	Shanelle Anna Jean Borth, 2021 Jocelyne F. Lovely, 2021
Criminal Justice	Timothy Patrick Hillanbrand, 2022 Ty Reed, 2022
Individual Studies.....	Rachel E. Bango, 2022 Caitlin Foley, 2022 Roslyn M. McClatchie, 2022
Nursing, AAS	Eric H. Alan, 2022 Jillian Rose O'Brien, 2023
Physical Therapist Assistant.....	Sarah Anderson, 2022 Noah A. Felix, 2022 Breanna M. Hacia, 2021 Kahlan W. Liu, 2023
Veterinary Science Technology.....	Hailley L. Hawk, 2021 Elizabeth C. Nichols, 2023
Crime Analysis	Monica R. Gleberman, 2022 Matthew John Strachen, 2022
Criminal Investigation	Joshua J. Baker, 2023 Abigail Paige Culbertson, 2022 Heather Daoust, 2021 Leah Marie Kerensky, 2021 Joseph Douglas Mastro, 2024 Jaida Montague, 2024 Shauna Lorraine Parkinson, 2021 Deanna M. Rosen, 2022
Cybersecurity	Joel Carbone, 2021 Jeremy D. McHatton, 2022 Jake Rabideau, 2023 Jack Logan Wuertzer, 2024

Emergency Management	Jessica Gilmour, 2023 Cynthia Elaine Love, 2021 Michael Monaghan, 2022
Forensic Criminology.....	Jonah R. Black, 2022 Joie Culkin, 2022 Heather Lee Howe, 2021
Funeral Services Administration	Felicidad Christensen, 2021 Raquel A. Martinez, 2022 Miranda J. Mejia, 2024
Health and Fitness Promotion	Sirena Sofia Alvarez, 2023 Michael B. Riley, 2024 Kelly Starliper, 2021 Callee Lynn Zulauf, 2022
Homeland Security	Tristan M. Dibble, 2021 Cole Fountain, 2023 Kieran C. Gibson, 2022 Adam A. Szlamczynski, 2024 Daniel Wargo, 2022
Law Enforcement Leadership.....	Ashlyn L. Calabrese, 2022 Ghrady Curtis Havens, 2024 Nickolas B. Owens, 2022 Noah Weiderman, 2021 Nathan Welch, 2023
Nursing, BS	Courtney Elizabeth Baker, 2024 Bailey A. Benware, 2024 Emma M. Bortnick, 2023 Alison E. Brant, 2022 Morgan Sage Burt, 2024 Paige M. Carbino, 2024 Ian Michael Frederick, 2022 Nicole Humphries, 2022 Ruthanne M. Middlemiss, 2021 Marcella J. Perry, 2024 Lacey S. Peters, 2021 Carlena Elizabeth Barbara Wright, 2024 Marley Yerdon, 2024 Makayla A. Young, 2024
Sports Management.....	Jaden L. Ault, 2022 Zach A. Denesha, 2024 Jordan I. Knapp, 2022 Michael Lashomb, 2021
Veterinary Service Administration	Taylor Calhoun, 2021 Gianna Hoti, 2022

Veterinary Technology..... Emma S. Clark, 2023
Kayleigh M. Garrett, 2023
Alexis E. Grotto, 2021
Kayleigh P. Knoll, 2022
Jenna C. VanAllen, 2023

RECIPIENTS OF SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The David R. Maynard Student Activities Award Benjamin E. Muckey
Richard W. Miller Excellence Award George R. Cornell

ALPHA PHI SIGMA

National Honor Society for Students in Criminal Justice

Courtney Allen	Heather Daoust	John P. McGrath	Mycah I. Stuckey
Nislei N. Alvarado	S'Nya R. Glover	Christopher R. McVannan	Joanne Sullivan
Cassidy Antwi	Lauren Hawley	Brandon Montroy	Matthew S. Svarczkopf
Lindsey Bradley	Adam J. Henn	Shauna L. Parkinson	Strawberry Wilcox
Jayda Buckley	Morgan L. Hoolahan	Kylei Pena	
Jasmine Carr	Griffin J. Hughes	Leslie A. Perri	
Liam Cavanaugh	Leah M. Kerensky	Katherine Quane	
Ernesto Chen	Ashley L. Kingsbury	Morgan D. Rodriguez	
Jade Coffey	Dazia Laws	Teresa Scarduzio	
Abigail P. Culbertson	Eric J. Leroux	Megan Sleeth	
Kaitlyn Daniels	Kelsey Lyga		

HONORS PROGRAM

Students who have taken one or more Honors courses

Israel Akande	James Cyr	Hannah E. Nicholas	Thomas M. Ventiquattro
Carter M. Aldridge	Danielle A. Eggleston	Faith A. Nimons	Hannah M. Weller
Nislei N. Alvarado	Elian E. Erickson	Brent Nolan	Isabella H. Wenslow
Isaak Babaev	Caitlin Foley	Sara M. O'Duffy	Daniel S. Whitton
Amanda Bird	Raquel Francis	Zane A. Rauschmeier	Nathanael Whyte
Jonah R. Black	Monica R. Gleberman	Jazmine D. Reynolds	Michael Wilson
Erik Bondgren	Gabrielle Gyampoh	Taylor E. Ridsdale	Andrew Woodard
Lexy Burcume	Adrianna A. Holmes	Matthew A. Riggs	Katherine Zapotocki
Isaiah L. Canty	Jordan I. Knapp	Shelby Roberts	Edward Zellar
William Gerne	Kayleigh P. Knoll	Rachel M. Safrit	Xaris Zotos
Kyle S. Chen	Kelsey Lyga	Chet S. Sourwine	
Schuyler Claes	Emily Matthew	Mycah I. Stuckey	
Emma S. Clark	Lily-Anne Mauzy	Fahmida Tafader	
Chloe E. Combs	Alexis Metott	Selena M. Tasli	
Skylar Crespo	Alyssa N. Mt. Pleasant	Madison Timothy	
Joie Culkin	Peyton E. Nadeau	Kaitlyn N. Trusty	
Thomas J. Cunningham	Victoria K. Nguyen	Jenna C. VanAllen	

GOLDEN KEY

International Honour Society for Students Enrolled in a Baccalaureate Program

Denielle Avery	Patrick Dubuque	Jarod Kessler	Nathan Rische
Dasha Beauvais	Nicole Ferch	Brian Kguolian	Sarah Roselli-Ortiz
Ornessa Brown	Andrew Fitch	Scott Kimble	Molly Sammon
Victoria Bulson	Lisa Ford	Jonathan Luse	Abigail Shearer
Rebecca Camerlingo	Catriona Guthrie	Brandi Magney	Joseph Werner
Nerisa DeFreitas	Tyler Hendrickson	Nickolas Owens	Strawberry Wilcox

PHI THETA KAPPA

International Honor Society for Students at Two-Year Colleges

Shelbie Baldwin	Kaitlyn Daniels	Caprice Ladue	Abigail Shearer
Rebecca Blackmon	Keegan Fawcett	Danny Lucey	Hannah Shippee
Conagher Buckmaster	Andrew Fitch	Paige Monacelli	Ethan White
Victoria Bulson	Kieran Gibson	Katie Palmer	
Teresa Burnor	Thomas Guilfoil	Adam Petric	
Sidei Clouden	Logan Gushea	Jazmine Reynolds	

TAU ALPHA PI

National Honor Society for Students in Engineering Technologies

Andrew Fitch	Jerome Joseph	Andrey Shafranov
Thomas Guilfoil	Jesee Otto	Andrew Woodard

TAU PHI ZETA

First National Honor Society for Students in Veterinary Science

Rebecca J. Bernier	Alexis E. Grotto	Kyann L. Jemmott	Hannah Shippee
Patricia Ann Breen	Darniesha Hall	Kayleigh Patricia Knoll	Madison Pelhan Skopeck
Dharma Chevalier	Kristina Marie Hartung	Grace Elizabeth Lyon	Natalia Wallace
Kyra R. Flynn	Hailley L. Hawk	Saige Papariello	
Isabel Serenity Gonzalez	Danielle N. Holsopple	Meghan Phillips	

Alma Mater

*SUNY Canton, all praise to thee
We will ever sing thy dear name.
And though we go out from thy care
We'll be loyal and spread thy fame.*

CHORUS

*SUNY Canton, honor is thine
We'll always revere thy spirit so fine.
SUNY Canton, ever we'll sing
'Til the world with our echoes ring*

*Like the gleam from a beacon light,
Shining forth thru the darkest night,
Thy colors of "blue and gold"
Set the standards of truth and right.*

CHORUS

*SUNY Canton, honor is thine
We'll always revere thy spirit so fine.
SUNY Canton, ever we'll sing
'Til the world with our echoes ring*