



WEEKLY WASH-UP

Live

Grow

Flourish

On Tuesday 2 March our 2021 Welcome and Academic Awards Dinner took place, as our first formal event of the year.

We were delighted to have Jacinta Haber (flute), Sophie Osborne (piano) and Aylish Ryan (violin) entertaining everyone as they were finding their seats.

Lana Duffy, Student Club President 2021, did a fantastic job as our MC for the evening and got the evening started by introducing Michelle Allan, Head of College and Chief Executive, for the official welcome.

The tables were arranged by faculty so all our students were able to network with and talk to other students who are studying similar courses. After a lovely shared meal and some lively conversation, Lana introduced our special guest speaker, Professor Deborah Terry AO, Vice Chancellor and President of the University of Queensland.

Professor Terry gave a really insightful talk about her journey through academia and her career, even giving us some personal insights into hurdles she has overcome. She challenged us as 'leaders of the future' to 'think differently'.

After the talk Professor Terry presented our Academic Award winners from 2020 with their prizes. Anyone who secured a GPA equal to or higher than 6.00 was awarded with a medal and a certificate:

Gold Academic Commendations

Awarded to students who in 2020
achieved a GPA greater than 6.01 across the entire year

Sophie	James	B Arts/B Laws (Hons)	UQ	7.000
Sandali	Jayakody	B Biomedical Science	UQ	7.000
Kate	McDonald	B Agribusiness	UQ	7.000
Sarah	Wilkey	B Biomedical Science	UQ	7.000
Jesse	Wilkinson	B Education (Secondary)/B Arts	UQ	7.000
Claire	Blumson	B Advanced Science (Hons)	UQ	6.875
Elizabeth	Brown	B Speech Pathology (Hons)	UQ	6.875
Jemma	Cusumano	B Advanced Humanities (Hons)	UQ	6.875
Keely	MacLean	B Clinical Exercise Physiology (Hons)	UQ	6.875
Lauren	Murphy	B Physiotherapy	UQ	6.875
Sarah	Parry	B Business management/B Communication	UQ	6.875
Elly	Scanlon	B Business (International)	QUT	6.834
Sarah	Arnell	B International Studies	UQ	6.750
Caitlin	Edwards	B Arts/B Education (Secondary)	UQ	6.750
Emma	Liebenberg	B Advanced Business	UQ	6.750
Reese	Marinic	B Psychological Science (Hons)	UQ	6.750
Jacalyn	Adcock	B Music	UQ	6.665
Lily	Chapman	B Advanced Finance and Economics	UQ	6.625
Charlotte	Frampton	B Biomedical Science/B Science	UQ	6.625
Ellen	McCusker	B Music (Hons)	UQ	6.625
Kate	Muscat	B Physiotherapy (Hons)	UQ	6.625
Maggie	Ryan	B Arts	UQ	6.625
Kristen	Elston	B Speech Therapy (Hons)	UQ	6.572
Emma	Tudball	B Music	Griffith	6.528
Gia	Saldanha	B Economics/B Laws (Hons)	UQ	6.523
Louise	Berry	B Science	UQ	6.500
Alex	Botica	B Nursing	UQ	6.500
Elizabeth	Carey	B Commerce/B Laws (Hons)	UQ	6.500
Alisha	Costabile	Doctor of Medicine	UQ	6.500
Olivia	O'Beirne	B Nursing/B Midwifery	UQ	6.500
Lauren	Murray	B Pharmacy	UQ	6.450
Laura	Cook	B Psychological Science (Hons)	UQ	6.417
Erin	Mahon	B Psychological Science (Hons)	UQ	6.375
Neisha	Ryan	B Business Management/B Laws (Hons)	UQ	6.375
Renee	Sweeney	B Physiotherapy	UQ	6.375
Annika	Pest	B Pharmacy/Diploma of Languages (German)	UQ	6.350
Gabrielle	d'Hotman de Villiers	B Biomedical Science	UQ	6.286
Johannah	Donohoe	B Engineering (Hons)/M Engineering	UQ	6.286
Lana	Duffy	B Arts/B Education (Primary)	UQ	6.250
Bridie	Shooter	B Laws (Hons)	UQ	6.250

Gemma	Refalo	B Business Management/B Laws (Hons)	UQ	6.225
Alex	Brosnan	B Regional and Town Planning	UQ	6.167
Clair	Greene	B Nursing	UQ	6.167
Emily	Poulos	B Speech Pathology (Hons)	UQ	6.167
Olivia	Binder	B Commerce/B Arts	UQ	6.125
Tazmyn	Fuller	B Arts/B Laws (Hons)	UQ	6.125
Sarah	Hicks	B Commerce	UQ	6.125
Meredith	Schultz	B Health, Sport & Physical Science	UQ	6.125
Emma	Sheehan	B Science/B Arts	UQ	6.125
Natalie	Tighe	B Science/B Laws (Hons)	UQ	6.125
Angela	Sleba	B Pharmacy (Hons)	UQ	6.063

Silver Academic Commendations

Awarded to students who in 2020
achieved a GPA equal to 6.0 across, the entire year

Nicola	Bown	B Arts/B Laws (Hons)	UQ	6.000
Olivia	Nilon	B Engineering	UQ	6.000
Madelyn	Oxford	B Biomedical Science	UQ	6.000
Emma	Palmer	B Nursing/B Midwifery	UQ	6.000
Sophie	Rethamel	B Business Management/B Journalism	UQ	6.000

Special Academic Awards

The Joan Percy-Dove Award 2020

Awarded to the First-Year student(s) who
achieved the highest GPA in 2020

Sandali Jayakody, B Biomedical Science
Kate McDonald, B Agribusiness

Both with a GPA of 7.00

The Philippine Duchesne Award 2020

Awarded to the Second-Year student(s) who
achieved the highest GPA in 2020

Sophie James, B Arts/ B Laws (Honours)
Sarah Wilkey, B Biomedical Science

Both with a GPA of 7.00

Alumnae Award for Academic Excellence 2020

Awarded to the Third-Year (or above) student who
achieved the highest GPA

Jesse Wilkinson, B Education (Secondary)/B Arts

with a GPA of 7.00

Academic Award for highest overall GPA

Sophie James, B Arts/ B Laws (Honours)

With a cumulative GPA of 7.00

Congratulations to all residents – new and returning. Lana finished the night by reminding us that Duchesne College is a community made up of many individuals and academic excellence is not the only way to exemplify your gifts.

To see the photos from the evening you can go to our Dropbox link:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/omk9f0m01ga26s1/AAA-wXQ_JJN3ZltRz0rZdJvea?dl=0