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Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence Presented to Four College at Brockport Students

The awards were presented in Albany on April 5.

Brockport, NY – Four undergraduate students from The College at Brockport, State University of New York, were honored by SUNY Chancellor **Nancy L. Zimpher** with the 2011 Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. Chancellor Zimpher presented the awards this afternoon at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center.

"We're proud to have these four students among those selected to receive this year's Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence," said The College at Brockport President **John R. Halstead, PhD**. "Student success is our highest priority and this award is representative of the commitment made by the College and these students to achieving this goal."

The four Brockport students honored were:

*Stephanie Geer '11, a Chemistry major from Binghamton, NY

*Danielle Gentile '11, a double major in Psychology and Health Science from Lakewood, NY

*Paul Giglio '11, an International Business and Economics major from Blasdell, NY

*Emily Salvas '11, an Interdisciplinary Arts major in the Childhood Inclusive Education Certification Program from Rochester, NY

"The students we honor today have excelled academically and taken advantage of what SUNY has to offer in and outside the classroom," said Chancellor Zimpher. "These students are proven leaders, athletes, artists, community servants, and much more. They represent the future of our state and are perfect examples of The Power of SUNY. I congratulate all of the students receiving recognition today and thank them for the positive impact each of them has had on SUNY and the communities we serve."

The Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence was created 14 years ago to recognize students who have best demonstrated, and have been recognized for, the integration of academic excellence with accomplishments in the areas of leadership, athletics, community service, creative and performing arts, or career achievement. The average grade point average (GPA) for all recipients this year is 3.8.

Each year, campus presidents establish a selection committee, which reviews exemplary students. Nominees are then forwarded to the Chancellor's Office and are subject to a second round of review. Finalists are then recommended to the Chancellor to become recipients of the award. Each recipient receives a framed certificate and medallion, which is traditionally worn at commencement.

A complete listing of 2011 recipients can be found on the <u>SUNY website</u>.

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