

Office of Student Affairs

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Ms. Brealle Brown

Dear Brealle:

Congratulations on being selected as a recipient for the Dean Robert Woods Student Life Award for 2020! We are pleased to recognize your hard work, diligence and commitment to campus life at Utica College.

Brealle, you have been described as a hard working student leader whose primary goal has been to provide quality entertainment to the campus while consistently advocating for programs that spoke to a diverse range of students. Although you did not have the opportunity to see your plans come to full fruition, the work you were able to accomplish have left an impact on the campus community.

Throughout your Utica College career you have truly made the most of your experience. Despite your involvement in a multitude of areas, you continue to achieve at a high level in the classroom. Looking for ways to expand your learning experiences beyond the classroom, you took your engagement to the next level by becoming a part of the Criminal Justice Cyber Club and the Young Entrepreneur Academy. The hard work that you have put in academically has borne fruit, as you are now looking forward to your first position at a well-known computer technology company.

As the Director of the Utica College Programming Board, you have become an outstanding leader, working with your team to create positive college experiences for many of Utica College students and reaching out to collaborate with a number of student organizations. The number and types of programs are incredibly varied and diverse, ranging from programs for Sex Positive Week and a spoken word artist to commemorate Dr. King's legacy to meditation and karaoke, and encompassing the time when students first come to campus during welcome home week to Snow Daze in the heart of the winter. Aside from your role of ensuring that student life is enjoyable for other students, you have been actively engaged as part of student life through your involvement in many different organizations. The organizations you have been involved with have included educational and cultural organizations such as the Black Student Union and the Prestige Step Team, serving as a voice for students as part of the Student Government Association, and bringing your athletic talents to bear as a member of the Indoor/Outdoor Track and Field team. Your hard work and perseverance have resulted in your having been named the fourth greatest of all time in weight throw at Utica College.

For all that you've done to encourage others to fulfill their potential and step up to support others, and for contributing in so many ways across campus, we thank you. Congratulations on your award!

Sincerely,

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