

## Standing Committee Annual Report

**Name of Committee or Council:**

Academic Honors and Awards Committee

**Chair**

Carrie Brennan

**Meeting Dates in Current Year:**

February 7, February 29, April 3, April 24  
(event)

### Major Actions or Accomplishments:

The main actions of the Honors and Awards Committee are 1) overseeing the selection of the Drane and Harvill-Civitan Awards; 2) overseeing the selection of faculty awards (Socrates, Distinguished Community Service, Distinguished Professor, and Hawkins Awards); and finally 3) organizing the annual Honors and Awards Ceremony held in late April of each academic year. This year, all of the above-mentioned responsibilities were accomplished.

The Honors and Awards Committee continued to work with Student Affairs for purchasing gifts for each academic unit (either statues or items selected by the department) to present with their most distinguished award, and supplemental money toward food and goodies for honor students. Harvill-Civitan and Drane Awards continue to be presented at Honors and Awards Day.

The student award final voting (Drane and Harvill Civitan Awards) was transitioned to a website rather than via email. This saved the coordinators much work sorting through votes.

Finally, students graduating Magna Cum Laude received a medallion at the Honors and Awards Day ceremony to wear at graduation. This practice will be continued in the future.

Changes to the ceremony will be made in the upcoming year to try to shorten the time of the ceremony.