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- The following MSUB Faculty were recognized for their excellence in teaching, research, and service to the campus and community. The ASMSUB Outstanding Faculty Awards were presented to: Ms. Chairsty Stewart, Math & Writing at City College; Dr. Alex Shafer, Health & Human Performance, College of Allied Health Professions; Dr. Scott Butterfield, Business Administration, College of Business; and Ms. Melinda Tilton, Communication & Theatre, College of Arts and Sciences. Additionally recognized: Ms. Lynne Fitzgerald, Program Coordinator & Assistant Professor, Outdoor Adventure Leadership Program, College of Allied Health Professions, received the "Outstanding Service Learning Award"; Dr. Don Larsen, Assistant Professor, Management, College of Business, awarded "Promoting International Student Success" and "MCIE Award for Support of Students with Disabilities". Dr. Laura Tayer, University Lecturer, Chemistry, College of Arts & Sciences, received the "MCIE Award for Support of Students with Disabilities"; Ms. Jenna Phillips, LCPC, Mental Health Counselor & Phoenix Center Coordinator, recognized with the "Dr. Tasneem Khaleel Award for Mentoring Young Female Professionals"; Ms. Elizabeth Fullon, Department Chair, General Education, City College, "City College Leadership Award"; Ms. Brenda Dockery, Adjunct Marketing Instructor & Online and Internship Advisor, College of Business, "Excellence Award for Non-Tenured Faculty" and Ms. Jessie Perius, MBA, part-time Instructor, College of Business, "Excellence Award for Part-Time Faculty". Each of the following faculty were recipients of the "Faculty Excellence Award": Dr. Salem Lotfi Bournediene, Associate Professor, Accounting & Business, College of Business; Mr. Bruce Brumley, Instructor, Computer Systems Technology, City College; and Dr. Paul Pope, Assistant Professor, Political Science, College of Arts and Sciences. Ms. Jodi Lightner, Assistant Professor, Art, College of Arts and Sciences, received the "Winston & Helen Cox Fellowship Award". Dr. Tasneem Khaleel, Professor, Botany & Biology, College of Arts and Sciences, received "The Walter and Charlotte Pippenger Excellence in Innovation Award".
- The MSUB Outstanding Alumni were honored for utilizing their education to excel professionally, providing inspirational leadership to others, and providing service for the benefit of MSUB and the community. Dr. Gregory Anderson, who embodies the spirit of distinguished personal, professional and civic contributions, received recognition as "Distinguished Alumnus". Kay L. Berry received the "Merit Medallion Award" for her dedication to the advancement of education. Three Alumni were recognized for their "Exceptional Achievement": Maria Elena Beltran, advocate for a multitude of underprivileged people for over 27 years; Bob Durden, giving back to the Billings community by devoting his time and expertise to MSU Billings, Montana Art Gallery Directors Association, Northcutt Steele Gallery, Boys and Girls Club, and ZooMontana; and Dominick Vergara, for his passion for education and athletics through his educational and professional career. Finally, Thomas Rust received the "Ronald P. Sexton Award for Professional Commitment Award" for his commitment to access, excellence and student success through his research and service with emphasis on the Lewis and Clark Expedition.
- MSUB Library held a spring lecture series, "Frontiers of Democracy: Exploring the Past and Looking to the Future." The Library Lecture Series are well received by the community, our faculty and students.
- The MSUB Art Department's Juried Student Exhibition was on display in the Northcutt Steels Gallery for campus and community. The 30 artworks selected for exhibition testify to the rich talents and diverse visions of MSUB students working across a range of media.
- 30 MSUB student-athletes were recognized at the fifth-annual Chi Alpha Sigma National Honor Society induction ceremony. Students Jace Anderson, men's basketball and Dana Lubieniecki, women's soccer, received honorary recognition as the only three-time members. Top members this year were Tiana Hanson, women's basketball and Jarod Paul, baseball, who each carried a perfect 4.0 gpa.
- Haylee Mooney, sophomore biology major, was named as 2017 Newman Civic Fellow. "Haylee is the epitome of a student leader," said Interim Chancellor Ron Larsen. "As a Resident Assistant (RA) on campus, she has worked to address mental health, sustainability, and student volunteerism. Haylee is the first one to volunteer and empowers many other students to volunteer with her."
- MSUB Athletic Training Program students and faculty recently attended the Northwest Athletic Training Association (NWATA) Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposia in Tacoma Washington. After winning the regional quiz bowl, which is a "Jeopardy" style competition pitting athletic training programs in the northwest region, they will compete nationally against ten other schools this June in Houston.