

OMNI Institute Award for Sociological Contribution in the Area of Public Policy

2014 - Joseph Dingle for his senior thesis, "Unpacking Offending: Individual-level and Contextual Predictors of U.S. Recidivism"

2013 - Ashleigh Sawa for her senior thesis, "Overcoming Inequality: An Evaluation of the Hispanic Leadership Development Program"

2012 - Katherine (Kate) Roberts for her senior thesis examining school reform politics and policy.

2011 - Cameron Lewis for his senior thesis, "A Movement in Redesign: The Status of Modern Cultural Based Student Organizations at a Predominantly White Institution"

2010 - Esther Park for her senior thesis, "Gender, Delinquency, and Depression"

2009 - Michelle Molinar-Dominguez for her senior thesis entitled "Understanding the Latina Juvenile Offender in Colorado"

2008 - Meghan Colomin for work with "9 to 5" and drafting of an appendix for the Pay Equity Commission Report

2007 - Emily Hungerford for many community activities, including work with Girls, Inc., DU Pride and Teach for America

2006 - Lindsay L. VanGilder for work investigating prosecutorial discretion

2005 - No graduate students in program this year

2004 - Sharisa Joy Kochmeister for work with autistic families in the community

2003 - Jessica Johnston for work at her internship at the Jefferson County Probation Department involving public policies toward sexual offending



2002 - Jennifer (Karima) Lundquist for work with DU's "Project Bosnia" program

2001 - No nominations this year

2000 - Stacy Salomonsen-Sautel for work on the evaluation of the Domestic Violence Clinic at the Student Law Office

1999 - Kristin Jean Schledorn for work on the Urban Court Managers Project

1998 - Suzanne Marie Gonzales for work in internship with the Division of Criminal Justice Office of Research & Statistics

1997 - Laura Ross Greiner for work on dissertation re the role of media in the creation of public issues

1996 - Susanna Dusan Bozinovski for her research/writing on dissertation dealing with self-neglect among the elderly

1995 - Susan Calhoun-Stuber for dissertation addressing the issue of women arrested for domestic violence

1994 - Debra Charlotte Oldenettel for her paper on "The Legitimacy of Rights," as well as academic & community service record article describes findings from a meta-analysis of mentoring programs which is a method of analyzing multiple independent studies together.

