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Scope and Content Notes: This collection contains materials related to the annual Arts and Sciences Awards student competition, primarily covering the academic years 1983 through 1993, with additional material from 1994, 2010, and 2011. The collection comprises the winning and honorable mention submissions, awards ceremony programs, posters soliciting submissions, Deans' invitation to students, and committee lists. The material is organized chronologically in the following order:

Box 1: 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986

Box 2: 1987, 1988

Box 3: 1989, 1990, 1991

Box 4: 1992, 1993 and ceremony programs for 1994, 2010, and 2011

Note: Additional programs for the annual Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony can be found in the Records of Special Events under miscellaneous by year. For example, the program for the 1987 Arts and Sciences Awards ceremony can be found in the Records of Special Events, Box 20, 1980's – 1990's, Folder "Special Events – Misc. by Year/Topic – 1987."

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Sources: College of Arts and Sciences Course Catalog 1947, Fairfield University; materials contained in this collection.

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1	1	1983 Honorable Mention Humanities – Cecile Mazzucco '86 – “Man as Gymnast: The Parallel Bars of God and Perfection” (2 copies)
1	2	1984 Winner Humanities – Cecile Mazzucco '86 – “Tragedy, O Tragedy ‘Where for art thou, Tragedy?’” – submitted 4/4/1984 (2 copies)
1	3	1985 Winner Humanities – Cecile Mazzucco '86 – “I Sign of Man the Aleph” – submitted 4/4/85 (2 copies)
1	4	Arts and Sciences Award Ceremony program April 30, 1985 (3 copies)
1	5	17” x 22” posters soliciting submissions (4 copies) for 1985/86 competition
1	6	8 ½ x 11 flyer soliciting submissions for 1985/86 competition
1	7	Arts and Sciences Award Ceremony program April 29, 1986 (2 copies)
1	8	1986 Winner Humanities and Arts – Cecile Mazzucco '86 – “Fallen Angels & Soaring Birds” – submitted 4/7/86 (2 copies)
1	9	1986 Winner Social Sciences – Lynn Raccio – “Safe & Sound?” – submitted 4/7/1986 (2 copies)
1	10	1986 Winner Natural Sciences – Paul Bujanauskos, Keith Kollar – “An Inland Wetland Inventory and Classification of the Pumpkin Ground Watershed” – Fall Semester 1985
2	1	List of 1987 Arts and Sciences Awards winners and honorable mention; list of committee members who selected; note from Bob Webster dated 11/6/87
2	2	1987 Winner Humanities – Robin DeVolt '87 – “Nikolai Berdiaev – A Study of His Thought as Commentary on Post Modernism” – 3/28/1987
2	3	1987 Honorable Mention Humanities – Eileen Mulry '88 – “Consciousness as Process: A Comparison of Hegel’s Master-Slave Dialectic to Psychological Theories of Social Interaction” – 3/20/1987

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2	4	1987 Social Sciences Winner – Colin Hickey ‘87 – “An Introduction to On-line Training” – April/May 1987; Single sheet Addendum – referring to three diskettes [not included] and instructions for loading data
2	5	1987 Co-winner Visual & Expressive Arts – Gil Lawson ‘87 – “The Chattahoochee Hymnbook” – Note: “Gil Lawson shared award with Michael Baer ‘87. Baer submitted paintings and drawings.” [not included]
2	6	1987 Honorable Mention Humanities – Lori Gargagliano ‘89 – “The Role of Utopias Shaping Society in Renaissance Literature”
2	7	1987 Honorable Mention Visual & Expressive Arts – Michael Habetz ‘87 – “The Frisbee Revolution” – [Note: “Theerathavaj Srithavaj ‘87 also received ‘Hon. Mention’ for paintings & drawings.”]
2	8	List of 1988 Arts and Science Awards winners (2 copies)
2	9	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 25, 1988
2	10	1988 Co-winner Humanities – Lori Gargagliano ‘89 – “More’s Utopia – A Thought Experiment” – 3/28/1988
2	11	1988 Co-winner Humanities – John D. McMahon ‘89 – “The Wild Side of Tibetan Buddhism” – 3/24/88
2	12	1988 Honorable Mention Humanities – Christopher Paul Chiodo ‘89 – “A Treatment of Distributive Justice and its Realization with regard to Medical Care in the United States” – 3/31/88 (2 copies)
2	13	1988 Honorable Mention Humanities – Wendy Walukiewicz – “The Doorslam Heard ‘Round the World”
2	14	1988 Co-winner Visual / Expressive – John D. McMahon ‘89 – “The Prayers of Tupac Amaru II” – 3/27/88
2	15	1988 Co-winner Visual / Expressive – Michael Guglielmo ‘88 – “Fruit Fables” – [application only – Note: “on display CNS 101”] – 3/28/88
2	16	1988 Honorable Mention Visual / Expressive Arts – Peter Witkowsky – “Landscape” [application only]
2	17	1988 Honorable Mention Visual / Expressive – Terry Sullivan ‘89 – “Songe Sombre” – 3/24/88

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2	18	1988 Co-winner Natural Sciences - Concetta Ruggiero '88 – “Database Management System” – [application only] – 3/28/88
2	19	1988 Co-winner Natural Sciences – Dean E. McNulty Jr. – “The Search for Intrinsically Slow Chelation Reactions of Some Substituted Piperazine Ligands with 2,2'-Bipyridyldichloroplatinum (II)” – 3/28/88
3	1	List of 1989 Arts and Sciences Award winners (2 copies)
3	2	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 25, 1989
3	3	8 ½ x 11 poster soliciting submissions for 1988-1989 competition
3	4	1989 Co-winner Visual / Expressive – Terry Sullivan '89 - “Self Portrait, Joan, and Ben” – [application only]
3	5	1989 Co-winner Visual / Expressive – Peter Witkowsky '89 – “Mrs. Felix’s Dishes” – [application only]
3	6	1989 Hon. Mention Visual / Expressive – Dan S. Wisneski '91 – “Family” – [application only]
3	7	1989 Hon. Mention Visual / Expressive – Dominic Stephen Albo '89 – “Four Females Wearing Blue Jeans” – [application only]
3	8	1989 Winner Humanities – Lori Gargagliano '89 – “Illusions and Reality: A Study in Comparative Literature” – 3/27/1989
3	9	1989 Winner Natural Sciences – Thomas Poon '90 – “Examination of Thermochromic Properties in a Mixture of Cu ₂ HgI ₄ and Ag ₂ HgI ₄ ” - 3/23/89
3	10	1989 Winner Social Sciences – Lynne Staropoli '90 – The Possibility of Satyagraha in El Salvador” – 3/22/89
3	11	1989 Honorable Mention Humanities – Christine E. Power '89 – “A Cycle of Discrimination – The Condition of Women in China – Pre and Post 1949” – 4/4/89
3	12	1989 Honorable Mention Humanities – Charles A. Johnson '90 – “A Comparative Study of Revolution on Two New England Towns” – 4/3/89
3	13	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 23, 1990 and admission ticket to ceremony
3	14	11 x 15 poster soliciting submissions for 1989-1990 competition

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3	15	11 x 7 ½ poster soliciting submissions for 1989-1990 competition
3	16	List of 1990 Arts and Sciences Award winners: 8 ½ x 5 ½ note dated 5/16 to Nancy Haag from R. Webster
3	17	1990 Winner Humanities – Jamie Lampidis '90 – “David Hume as Philo in the Dialogues concerning Natural Religion” – 3/26/90
3	18	1990 Honorable Mention – Scott D. Nugent '90 – “John Rawls’ Theory and the Interactive Model of Community” – 3/26/90
3	19	1990 Co-winner Visual / Expressive Arts – Timothy Michael Regan '91 – “Late Evening and Selected Poems” – 3/22/90
3	20	1990 Co-winner Visual / Expressive Arts – Joseph C. DeVito '90 – “Hallmark/6 Poems” – 3/26/90
3	21	1990 Honorable Mention Visual / Expressive Arts – Robert Hendrickson '91 – “Simple” – 3/26/90
3	22	1990 Honorable Mention Visual / Expressive Arts – Sarah Louisa Fabry '93 – “Group of Poems” – 3/26/90
3	23	1990 Honorable Mention Visual / Expressive – John D. Pallini '91 – “The Other Side of Wall Street” – 3/26/90 – [includes audiocassette]
3	24	1990 Winner Social Sciences – Shelby G. LeVino '90 – “Cable Television: Natural Monopoly or Economic Anachronism” – 2/27/90
3	25	List of 1991 Arts and Sciences Award winners
3	26	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 22, 1991; admissions ticket dated 4/22/91
3	27	11 x 15 poster soliciting submissions for the 1990 /1991 competition
3	28	1991 Co-winner Visual / Expressive – Christine Cochrane '92 – “Photography 1990” – [photos not included] – 3/25/91
3	29	1991 Co-winner Visual / Expressive - Mary St. John '91 – “Poems & Images” - [slides not included] – 3/25/91
3	30	1991 Honorable Mention Visual / Expressive – Catherine Walsh & Danny Wisneski – “WFAC-TV Station Identifications” – [video not included] – 3/25/91

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3	31	1991 Honorable Mention Visual / Expressive – Catherine Walsh – “An Insider’s Guide to the Regina Quick Center” – [video not included] – 3/18/91
3	32	1991 Winner Social Sciences – Marcela Yusef – “Experience of the Hispanic America Immigrant to the United States” – 3/25/91
3	33	1991 Honorable Mention Creative Writing – Meaghan Tuohey ‘91 – “The Fairfield University ‘Sound’” – 3/19/91
3	34	1991 Honorable Mention Creative Writing – Jed Flaherty ‘92 – “My Poems” – 3/29/91
3	35	1991 Winner Creative Writing – Chris DiCerto ‘91 – “Red Surf / Waiting – 2 Stories” – 1991
3	36	1991 Honorable Mention Humanities – Lori Petruzzelli ‘92 – “Keith Haring: The Radiant Artist” – 12/15/90
3	37	1991 Honorable Mention Humanities – Julia A. Dietz ‘91 – “Singing a Black Girl’s Song – The Black Female’s Search for Voice” – 3/25/91
3	38	1991 Winner Humanities – Robert W. Faubel ‘93 – “Martin Frobisher & the Cathay Company: The Failure of Privately Sponsored Exploration during the Reign of Elizabeth” – 3/22/91
3	39	1991 Winner Natural Sciences – Julia Ruggiero, Robert Domugala, Bohdan Harvey, Dwight Heron ‘91 – “A New Occurrence of Hematopoietic Neoplasia in the Rubbed Mussel – 3/25/91
4	1	List of 1992 Arts and Sciences Awards winners (2 copies); Form application and letter from Dean
4	2	Poster for 1991/92 Arts and Sciences Awards competition
4	3	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 23, 1992
4	4	1992 Winner Social Sciences – Theresa M. Jankowski – “Sexual Harassment: The Power Struggle” – 3/23/92
4	5	1992 Winner Visual / Expressive – Kara L. LaBeau ‘92 – “A Silent Bouquet of Thorns – A Book of 10 poems and photos” – [application only -- Note: “in dean’s office”] - 3/23/92
4	6	1992 Winner Natural Sciences – Thomas F. Miller, Dyan L. Mihalik, Timothy Genecco ‘92 – “Effects of Induced Alkolosis in Skeletal Muscle of Adult Rats” – 3/23/92

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4	7	1992 Winner Creative Writing – Mohamed Jauad F. Ahmadi – “Seven Poems” – 3/23/92
4	8	1992 Co-winner Humanities – Claire St. Louis ‘93 – “Walk the Line or Bend to the Surroundings – The Conflict between the Linearity of the White Culture and the Circularity of the Native Americans” – 3/23/92
4	9	1992 Co-winner Humanities – Lisa Gizzi ‘92 – “American Reaction to Russia, March – May 1917: Road to War, Democracy, and Peace” – 3/23/92
4	10	1992 Co-winner Humanities – Dominique Renee Lacerte ‘92 – “The Temple of Athena Nike and Athens in the Fifth Century BC”
4	11	List of 1993 Arts and Sciences Award winners (2 copies); memo to College of Arts and Sciences students from Dean Orin Grossman; Letter to College of Arts & Sciences students from Dean; Application form for 1993 competition (2 copies)
4	12	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 29, 1993 (2 copies)
4	13	8 ½ x 11 poster soliciting submissions to 1992/1993 competition
4	14	1993 Winner Social Services – Stephen C. Shannon ‘93 – “Student Governments as Lobbying Groups”
4	15	1993 Winner Humanities – Leigh A. Merritt ‘93 – “The Fiction of Two Native American Women Writers, Louise Erdich and Leslie Marmon Silko” – 3/26/93
4	16	1993 Winner Humanities – Michele Mizejewski ‘93 – “Female Narrative Structure at Brewster Place” – 3/2/93
4	17	1993 Winner Creative Writing – Becky Rodia ‘93 – “10 Poems (Group)”
4	18	Submission – Becky Rodia ‘93 – “The Playground – A One-Act Play” – 3/23/93
4	19	1993 Honorable Mention Creative Writing – Dominic Puchalla ‘93 - “Portfolio of Poems” – 3/26/93
4	20	1993 Honorable Mention Creative Writing – Edward B. Rugemer ‘93 – “Poems” – 3/25/93
4	21	1993 Honorable Mention Creative Writing – Tricia M. Schreiber ‘94– “One Short Story and 2 Poems” – 3/26/93

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4	22	1993 Winner Creative Writing – Julia Petitfrere '95 – “Six Original Stories” – 3/26/93
4	23	1993 Winner Visual / Expressive Arts – Mary Beth Combs and Beth Scribner '93 – “Layers of Life – Book of Illustrated Poetry” – [application only] – 3/26/93
4	24	1993 Winner Visual / Expressive Arts – Ted Harrison '94 – “9 Piece Series of Prints with Mixed Media” – [application only] – 3/26/93
4	25	1993 Honorable Mention Visual / Expressive Arts – Thomas Johnson '93 – “Poetry ‘Life in Cold Thunder’” [application only] – 3/26/93
4	26	1993 Winner Natural Sciences – Jennifer Wingard '94 – “M.C. Escher: The Mathematical Themes Behind His Work” – 3/26/93
4	27	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 28, 1994 (2 copies)
4	28	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 26, 2010
4	29	Arts and Sciences Awards Ceremony program April 28, 2011