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Hello, I'm Byron Sheldrick, acting Dean of the College of Social and Applied Human Sciences. I'm also a donor and supporter of the Byron Sheldrick Scholarship in Law and Politics.

Of the many traditions and events we enjoy each fall semester, I'm particularly saddened that our College Awards Ceremony can't take place in person this year. At this annual event I get to marvel at the accomplishments of our remarkable students, and admire the incredible generosity and care of our donors.

Bringing students, donors, and the College community together to celebrate student success and the spirit of philanthropy has always been of great importance to this College.

To our students: you make us so proud, your hard work and commitment to academia, volunteerism, experiential learning, and improving lives both at the University, and beyond is outstanding and illustrates the high calibre of students within this College.

To our donors: you inspire us. Awards play an important role in nourishing students' academic and personal growth. Awards help to alleviate financial stress, open the door to opportunities, and acknowledge hard work and dedication. Your generosity is crucial to our students' success.

I'd like to take this moment to also thank all of our staff and faculty who make the annual distribution of awards possible, it truly takes an army to get awards into the hands of deserving students each year. To those committed colleagues: thank you for your time and your dedication.

I wish I could congratulate and thank everyone in person, but I do look forward to the time that we can come together once again to celebrate the accomplishments of our students. Until then, be well, stay safe, and congratulations.