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### **Marymount University Students Earn HR Leadership Awards Scholarships**

**Arlington, Virginia** – Marymount University graduate students Danielle Stewart and Aubrey Beachy Martin have earned \$3,000 scholarships from HR Leadership Awards of Greater Washington (HRLA). The scholarships are part of HRLA’s effort to promote and advance excellence in the human resource profession in the greater Washington, D.C., area.

Scholarship recipients will be recognized at the HRLA Gala Awards ceremony on Tuesday, June 7 at the Washington Marriott Wardman Park. To purchase tickets, visit [hrleadership.org/annual-gala](http://hrleadership.org/annual-gala).

Stewart, of Ashburn, is pursuing a Master of Arts in Human Resource Management. According to HRLA Executive Director Melissa Benik, Stewart exemplifies the organization’s vision. She has singlehandedly provided HR support for a division of 600 employees. Not only does she volunteer to assist colleagues and junior human resource staff, but she has been team lead for the training and onboarding of new employees. “The variety of challenges I’ve faced during my career have helped me grow as an HR professional and learn about myself as an individual,” she said.

Stewart holds the Society for Human Resource Management Certified Professional (SHRM-CP) and Professional in Human Resources (PHR) certifications.

Martin, of Alexandria, is a dual degree candidate pursuing both Master of Arts in Human Resource Management and Master of Business Administration degrees. She finds similarity between her educational journey and the human resource career: “Each situation is unique and provides an opportunity to learn something new from my client group, myself and my HR peers.” Martin recently developed an internship program at her company and created a unified, global voluntary exit plan with meaningful metrics. “Her thirst for learning and ability to translate knowledge in real time will support successful HR partnerships in her current and future roles,” said Benik.

Also earning scholarships are Tammy Volberding of UMD University College and Dawn LeBlond of George Mason University.

Established in 2001, the Awards celebrate outstanding service and strategic vision in the areas of organizational leadership, risk-taking, innovation, vision, communication, service to the broader community, and commitment to ethical behavior.

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