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25th Annual Gamma Gala

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The Sigma Chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma held its 25th Annual Gamma Gala at the Ritz Carlton Hotel on Friday, April 15, 2016. This year's event brought together more than 200 student members, alumni, and faculty. The evening consisted of dinner followed by our keynote speaker, Sabrina Hanitz, ARM, Class of 2007, Assistant Vice President, AIG-US Commercial Broker Engagement Practice. Sabrina was also the winner of the 2016 Norman A. Baglini Distinguished Young Alumni Award in Risk Management and Insurance, which was announced at the 28th Annual Awards for Excellence Dinner on Wednesday, April 13, 2016.









Following her address, almost 300 new members were initiated into the Sigma Chapter, and special awards were given out. Annette Morin, Elliot Walters and Bingyan Cao, Bridget Rush, and Ella Loscalzo and Armon Fouladi received *Outstanding Committee Member* recognition for the Actuarial Science, RMI Employee Benefits, RMI Property Casualty, and the Community Affairs Committees respectively.













Forty-one members received honorary recognition and of those forty-one, fifteen received scholarships for their exceptional participation and achievement in the Sigma Chapter's Student Engagement Program. Another forty-nine members were recognized for their success in our Alumni Student Mentoring Program, along with their alumni mentors in attendance. Sean Miller and Rachel Becker both received the award for *Outstanding Member of the Year* for their dedication and involvement in the Sigma Chapter beyond the expectations of an average member.



Graduating senior officers Shannon Nolan, Claudia Stiles-Ennis, Mary Grace Sear, and Carolyn Murset were recognized for their contributions to the Sigma Chapter in the areas of *Friendship*, *Fidelity*, *Integrity*, and *Knowledge* respectively and Colin Anderson received the *Outstanding Senior Officer Award*.









Finally, the Sigma Chapter recognized two teachers to receive the award for *Outstanding Teacher*. These teachers were nominated by students and chosen based on their continued dedication to their students and their education. Dr. Krupa Viswanathan and Professor Christopher Moore were the 2016 recipients of the *Outstanding Teacher Award*.

