

Senior accounting major receives award from state CPA society

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Christine Donovan, a senior accounting major at Alfred University (AU), has received an Excellence in Accounting Scholarship for the 2012-13 academic year from the New York State Society of CPAs and its Foundation for Accounting Education. The society awarded 48, \$2,500 scholarships to in-state students.

Recipients must be declared accounting majors, have achieved an overall cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher, and be eligible for financial aid.

A graduate of Livonia High School, Donovan is a daughter of Michael and Michelle Donovan of Livonia.

In addition, Donovan was inducted into the Pacioli Society last spring. Established in 1968, the Pacioli Society was initiated by Emeritus Professor R.J. Chambers, the foundation professor of accounting at the University of Sydney. The aim of the society is to provide a forum on matters related to accounting, business, and finance, and to foster the expression of both academic and professional views on topical issues based on informed opinion and debate.

The Pacioli Society now operates under the auspices of the Accounting Foundation and provides a valuable contact between academics from Sydney and other metropolitan universities and the business community. Up to four meetings are held each year. In line with the aims of the Society, each meeting is presented by a panel of speakers to ensure several perspectives of the topic are put forward. Attendees are always given opportunities to ask questions and to vote their own opinions about the topic.

Founded in 1836, Alfred University became the first coeducational institution in New York State and the second in the nation. About 2,000 full-time undergraduate and 400 graduate students work and live in 52 buildings on a scenic 232-acre hillside campus adjoining the village of Alfred.

The University is comprised of the privately endowed College of Professional Studies, housing the School of Business, and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, as well as the state-sponsored College of Ceramics housing the Kazuo Inamori School of Engineering and the School of Art and Design. Bachelor, master, and doctoral degrees are awarded.