

Alfred University recognizes top graduates

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Alfred University's top graduates for the Class of 2003 came within a few hundredths of a point of perfection. The five, one from each college or school, had a average grade point average of 3.924 on a 4.0 scale. To be recognized during this morning's commencement ceremony, planned for 10 a.m. in McLane Center on the Alfred University campus are: Liane May Klingensmith, who will receive a Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. She has a 3.96 GPA. Klingensmith is a daughter of Donald and Virginia Klingensmith of Adams, NY, and is a graduate of South Jefferson High School. Yoshinaga Kawamura, who will receive a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the School of Art and Design, graduating with a 3.78 GPA. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Tahikou Kawamura of Oberaki, Japan. Nathanael James Lawton, son of Gordon and Linda Lawton of Little Genesee, NY. He earned a 3.96 GPA as a materials science and engineering major in the School of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science. Lawton is a graduate of Bolivar-Richburg Central School, and was also selected as the outstanding male graduate for the AU Class of 2003, as well as the State University of New York Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence. Daniel Stuart Dickmann, who is receiving two degrees - a B.S. in mechanical engineering from the College of Engineering and Professional Studies and a B.S. in materials science and engineering from the School of Ceramic Engineering and Materials Science - earned a 3.92 GPA to be the top graduate in the College of Engineering and Professional Studies. He is a son of Donald and Phyllis Dickmann of Petoskey, MI, and is a graduate of Petoskey High School. Lisa Rosa, earned a 4.0 as an accounting major in the College of Business. She is a daughter of Carl and Marjorie Rosa of Avoca, PA, and is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary College Prep.