# **TopScholarStories:** Issue – April 2019

News of our Top Scholars and Alumni:

Carolina, 1801, Horseshoe, McNair and Stamps Scholars

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## **Current Scholars:**

Three of four Critical Language Scholarship winners are also Top Scholars; a fourth is an alternate.

.... Three Top Scholars have won Critical Language Scholarships for study this summer: McNair Scholars Madison Bradley and Kylee Yturralde and Stamps Scholar Avery Kral. Another University student, Nicolas Ferguson, was a fourth winner. A fourth, McNair Scholar Tyler Quehl, was named an alternate. The Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) program is part of a U.S. government effort to expand the number of Americans studying and mastering critical foreign languages. CLS scholars gain critical language and cultural skills that enable them to contribute to U.S. economic competitiveness and national security. Learn more about these winners and more, here:

https://sc.edu/about/offices and divisions/fellowships and scholar programs/news/national fellowships news/index.php

### Kelley Powell, McNair Scholar 2021, is a new drum major for the Carolina Band

.... In March, the Carolina Band announced drum majors for the 2019 season. Powell is a current sophomore majoring in choral and instrumental education, and fun fact – she's a PADI certified scuba diver.

#### **Top Scholar seniors are also Outstanding Seniors**

.... This year, 17 of the 132 Outstanding Seniors are Top Scholars, or 13%. They were all recognized at the annual Outstanding Senior Award Ceremony on Monday, March 25.

# Alumni:

#### McNair Scholar alumna gets tenure

..... **Susan Crook, Class of 2007**, recently received tenure at Loras College and in August, she will be named Associate Professor in the mathematics department. Loras is located in Dubuque, Iowa. <a href="https://www.loras.edu/staff/susan-crook-ph-d/">https://www.loras.edu/staff/susan-crook-ph-d/</a>

#### Carolina Scholar alumna wins Woman of Distinction award

.... **Nilanjana Sengupta Caballero**, Class of 2001, recently received a Woman of Distinction Award from her Santa Fe College where she serves as department chair for Health Programs. https://www.sfcollege.edu/wod/honorees/2019-honorees/index