

Gies College of Business Awards

Distinguished Alumnus Award

Established in 1984; recognizes graduates of the College of Business for outstanding career achievement. Recipients hold a degree from the College of Business at Illinois.

- 2019** Kelly Loeffler '92,
Chief Executive Officer, Bakkt
- 2018** Stephanie Cohen '99
Chief Strategy Officer, Goldman Sachs
- 2017** Karen Golz '76
Global Vice Chair, Ernst & Young Global Limited
- 2016** Chris Perry '77
Partner, CIVC Partners
- 2015** John Ruth '59
President and Founder, Century Group 100
- 2014** Stephen Van Arsdell '72, '73
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, Deloitte, *Retired*
- 2013** Larry Field '61
CEO, Field Holdings, Inc.
- 2012** Howard S. Engle '72
Partner, Deloitte
- 2011** Thomas D. Vogelsinger '73, '74
Partner, Ernst & Young, *Retired*
- 2010** Jill Smart '81
Chief Human Resources Officer, Accenture
- 2009** Melvin L. Katten '58
Founding Partner & Senior Counsel
Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP
- 2008** Douglas C. Mills '62
Chairman of the Board, First Busey Corporation
- 2007** John D. Zeglis '69
Chairman & CEO, AT&T Wireless Service, *Retired*
- 2006** Michael Tokarz '73
Chairman, MVC Capital
- 2005** Albert Wohlers '39
Founder, Albert H. Wohlers & Co., *Retired*
- 2004** Avy H. Stein '77
Co-Chairman & Co-CEO, Willis & Stein Partners
- 2003** Brigadier General Wilma L. Vaught '52
USAF, *Retired*
- 2002** Conrad Hewitt '58
Superintendent of Banks, State of California, *Former*
- 2001** Michael Krasny '75
Founder & Chairman, CDW Computer Centers
- 2000** Thomas A. Murphy '38
Chairman of the Board & CEO
General Motors Corporation, *Retired*
- 1999** Leonard C. Hoeft '47
Chairman of the Board, Wm. H. Ziegler Co., Inc., *Retired*
- 1998** Stanley C. Golder '51
General Partner
Golder, Thoma, Cressey, Rauner, Inc., *Retired*
- 1997** John Brogan '36
Chairman, Ryan Insurance Group, *Retired*
- 1996** Lester H. McKeever, Jr. '55
Managing Partner, Washington, Pittman and McKeever
- 1995** Sybil C. Mobley '64
Dean of School of Business, Florida A&M
- 1994** William G. Karnes '33
Chairman of the Board, Beatrice, *Retired*
- 1993** Richard L. Wellek '60
President & CEO, Varlen Corporation
- 1991** Samuel K. Skinner '60
Secretary, Department of Transportation
- 1990** Richard H. Frank '65
President, The Walt Disney Studios
- 1989** Charles A. Bowsheer '53
U.S. Comptroller General
- 1988** Judd D. Malkin '59
Chairman, JMB Realty Corporation
- 1988** Neil G. Bluhm '59
President, JMB Realty Corporation
- 1987** Gerald E. Schultz '63
President & COO, Bell & Howell
- 1986** Arthur R. Wyatt '49, '50, '53
Principal, Arthur Andersen
- 1985** Jerome S. Gore '41
Chairman Emeritus, Hartmarx Corporation
- 1984** Kenneth W. Perry '53
Professor of Accountancy, Illinois

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Appreciation Award

Established in 1979; presented to friends of the College and its alumni association, recognizing outstanding service to the organization. Recipients need not be graduates of the College to earn this recognition but are always Illini at heart.

2019 Susan Lambert Fish '79, '80 MAS

2018 Steven Shebik, '78

2017 Steve Miller '87

2016 Tony DiTommaso '74, '76 MS

2015 Larry DeBrock

2014 Stephen V. King '84

2013 Charles Finn '55

2012 Timothy J. Reiersen '81

2011 Jon Corzine '69

2010 Jerry Colangelo '62

2009 Neel T. Kashkari '95, '98 MS

2008 Avijit Ghosh

2007 James C. Cook '71

2006 Norma J. Lauder '71

2005 Mary Kay Haben '79

2004 Jeffrey H. Margolis '84

2003 Howard S. Engle '72

2002 James Elsesser, Jr. '66, '67 MS

2001 Frederick L. Neumann

2000 Howard Thomas

1999 Larry L. Austermilller '63, '65 MS

1998 Willard Bunn III

1997 Wilma J. Smelcer '73 MBA

1996 Arthur R. Wyatt '49, '50, '53 PhD

1995 Albert H. Wohlers '39

1994 David J. Downey '63, '66 JD

1993 John H. Judd '71, '84 MBA

1992 David G. Siebert '89 MBA

1991 John D. Hogan

1990 William D. Engelbrecht '66, '72

1989 J. William Paquette

1988 Thomas D. Leddy '63

1987 Henry D. Strunk '58

1986 T. Emerson Cammack

1985 Vernon K. Zimmerman '49, '50, '54 PhD

1984 Lawrence W. Gougler '41

1983 Donald C. Miller '42, '43, '48 PhD

1982 Lawrence W. Nortrup '49

1981 Russell V. Puzey '33

1980 G. Preston Kendall '31

1979 Lawrence W. Nortrup '49

1979 William F. Murray '34