

## ***Steven W. Kovacs '09 Memorial Award***

**Eligibility and Criteria:** A graduating senior majoring in Psychology is eligible for this award. Graduating seniors in the Integrative Neuroscience are also eligible for nomination by faculty. Preference is given to those nominees who display a clear passion for research and who plan to continue their education to obtain a PhD in psychological science. The award is also merit-based.

**History and Background:** This award is intended to honor the memory of Steven W. Kovacs, who was a member of the Class of 2009 at The State University of New York at Binghamton (Binghamton University). The spirit of this memorial award is to recognize a student that has displayed clear passion for research and who plans to continue on in his/her education to obtain a PhD in psychological science.

**Award:** The award consists of two parts. First, a certificate and monetary gift is presented to the awardee at the recognition ceremonies associated with graduation. In addition, the name of the awardee will be engraved on a plaque that is on permanent display in the Department of Psychology.

**Application Procedures:** Any professor in the Department of Psychology can nominate a graduating senior for the Steven W. Kovacs '09 Memorial Award by submitting their name and supporting materials to the Department of Psychology Awards committee.

A letter of nomination should be accompanied by:

- A) Two (2) letters of support (one of which can be the nominating letter);
- B) a current university transcript;
- C). a current resume or vita from the nominee; and
- D) any materials that describe the nominee's passion for research and specific research activities of the nominee.