2014 Newman Civic Fellow Class Includes Winthrop Student

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ROCK HILL, S. C. — A Winthrop University junior who has given more than 500 hours of service to the community is the recipient of the 2014 Newman Civic Fellow Award from Campus Compact.

Alexis Eaddy, a social work major from Elgin, S.C., joins more than 100 gifted students from universities across the country in the 2014 Newman Civic class.

“It is truly an honor to be named among students who I have highly admired,” Eaddy said, referring to past Winthrop winners Aaron Eichelberger and Alexis Clowney. “It is a truly inspiring and shocking announcement.”

She has volunteered for three years at Family Promise of York County, an organization that offers shelter and meals for homeless families, and facilitates the annual Bed Race, the organization’s largest fundraiser. In addition, Eaddy participates in many programs on campus, including Emerging Leaders, Close Scholars and Model United Nations. She is a member of Pi Gamma Mu, an honor society for social sciences majors, Phi Alpha Delta, a professional law fraternity, and Delta Sigma Theta sorority.

After graduation, she plans to pursue a master’s in social work. She told Campus Compact she’d like to “give a voice to vulnerable populations” with her degrees.

Other award winners included:

- Ropes Course Director and Instructor Geoffrey Morrow ’07, ’09, who received the Faculty Award for Service Learning. Morrow is the director of the Outdoor Education Center, which helps develop groups and teams through various ropes courses and other activities.
- The student organization SCOPE (Students Challenging Others to Promote Education), which provides tutoring for low-income, high-need children in kindergarten through fifth grade.

Campus Compact’s member colleges and university presidents from across the country nominated more than 100 college student leaders for the 2014 Class of Newman Civic Fellows, an honor named for Frank Newman, a founder of Campus Compact. These students are demonstrating a personal commitment to creating lasting change for the better in their communities. Through service, community-based research, and advocacy, the 2014 Class of Newman Civic Fellows are making the most of their college experiences to better understand themselves and the root causes of some of the most pressing social issues that challenge us all.

As a Newman Civic Fellow, Eaddy will join a network of Fellows around the country. Together — sharing ideas and tools through online networking — the Fellows will leverage an even greater capacity for service and change, and will continue to set examples for their classmates and others.

Campus Compact is a national coalition of almost 1,200 college and university presidents—
representing more than 6 million students—who are committed to fulfilling the civic purposes of higher education.

The S.C. Campus Compact is part of the national organization and includes two-year and four-year, public and private higher education institutions throughout the state. The S.C. Campus Compact is located at Winthrop.

For more information about the organization and the award, visit www.compact.org.