

Jodi-Ann Burey, A&S '08
The first recipient of the Dr. Donald Brown Award

Jodi-Ann Burey has made extraordinary contributions to the BC community in the areas of leadership, service, and academic development. She is a student in the School of Arts and Sciences with a major in Communication and a minor in History. She has been a very active student leader on campus since her First Year: serving four years in the Undergraduate Government, the last two as co-director of the AHANA Leadership Council's AHANA Caucus. She has also served as a mentor for the FACES freshmen program, Moderator of United Front and a Resident Assistant. In addition, she has represented student voices in university-wide committees such as the Diversity Steering Committee, the Campus Community Partnership Initiative, and the Hate Crime Protocol Committee. She also made substantial contributions in the area of service as a group leader for the Ghana Service and Immersion Program, a volunteer for the AHANA Leadership Council Service Trip and a tour guide and panelist for the Student Admissions Program. Jodi-Ann is a Ronald E. McNair Research Scholar and has presented her research nationally. She is currently working on her senior thesis under the supervision of Dr. Roberto Avant-Mier who nominated her. After graduation she plans to explore her many interests but ultimately plans to pursue a doctorate degree in Media/Cultural Studies and become a college professor and published author.

The award will be presented in two settings: at the Black Family Weekend's Awards Brunch on Sunday, April 13, 2008 and during the College of Arts and Sciences Award Ceremony on Sunday, May 18 at 3:00 p.m. in the Robsham Theatre.