

April Golden Nugget Award Recipients

1. Meagan Jones – Stewardship (Area 1)

“Meagan is my direct contact for Donor Relations and has been instrumental in helping me provide professional acknowledgments and input for endowed scholarships and fellowships. I have tested her will with unique challenges on several awards and she never bats an eye. She always comes through with great advice and direction.” – Mark Colone

2. Kimberly Rodgers – Office of Adult Student/Evening Services (Area 2)

“Kimberly Rodgers serves as Assistant Director and Academic Advisor in the Office of Adult Students and Evening Services (OASES). One of her roles is to advise students at UNC Charlotte on the process of beginning or completing their degrees at the university. During her three years in OASES, she has been an invaluable leader in recruiting and graduating UNC Charlotte students. Kimberly serves as an academic advisor to prospective, new, returning, and transfer adult and nontraditional students. To assist prospective adult and nontraditional students, she is actively engaged in participating in campus programs such as EXPLORE, SOAR, and Adult Student Orientation. Along with advising and providing student engagement programs for adult students, Kimberly teaches a UCOL three-hour credit transition course for adult students and serves as the OASES Chapter Coordinator for Pinnacle, a prestigious national honor society exclusively for adult learners. Recently she developed a notable Program Review model to review the services and courses available for adult students at the university. Her continuing work on this project is remarkable; she is a resolute champion for adult learners. She works on research to present at professional conferences. Because of her support of Student Veterans, she serves on the Military Advisor Committee at UNC Charlotte. A person of integrity, Kimberly provides excellent customer service and makes a difference in many lives at UNC Charlotte. She is an asset to the Enrollment Management team, and the staff members of OASES are delighted to be her colleague.” - Janet Daniel, Director of OASES

3. Nora Miller – Controller (Area 9)

“For the last 2 months, our office has been short staffed due to an emergency illness. Nora has been more than willing to pitch in to help with the extra work load and adjusting her hours when needed to benefit the office. She helped cross train Tina Lor from Student Accounts so that she would be able to process student payments and departmental deposits at the cashier’s window when needed. Nora has adjusted time off and vacation days during these months to make sure we had office coverage and she has learned new processes in order to help me make sure all areas of the office were covered. She has worked through days when she didn't feel very good herself due to illness, but she persevered even when I told her to go on home and rest. I couldn't have made it without her assistance and definitely feel that she deserves to be honored with the Golden Nugget award.” – Nicole Haire

4. Cindy Shores – Department of Materials Management (Area 9)

"I feel Cindy does an excellent job in all aspects of her job responsibilities. She provides great customer service to the entire campus community. I can't count the number of times I have seen Cindy go above and beyond to help a customer. No questions asked. She has a positive attitude and is ALWAYS willing to offer a helping hand. She is a joy to work with and simply brightens up the workplace." – Tom Quinn

5. Amber Frazier – Parking & Transportation Services (Area 10)

"While one of our Saferide drivers was out on medical leave, Amber took it upon herself to drive to her co-worker's home and cut his grass for him since he and his wife couldn't manage to do so while he was recovering. What a great display of kindness & humility!" – Doug Lape

6. Johnny Doyle – Housekeeping (Area 12)

"Johnny has been very helpful in maintaining a team oriented environment within our zone. He helps with supplies, and offers to help others daily on an as needed basis. He is a great example of a team player." – Virgie Fewell

7. Mary Smith – Housekeeping (Area 12)

"Mary has opened up the zone this past week in the absence of our lead tech being on vacation, and she has really done a great job. I just want to say thank you to her for being willing to do that, because she does not receive any compensation for it." – Virgie Fewell

8. Tomasa Bonilla – Housekeeping (Area 12)

"Tomasa has been very instrumental in the success of a variety of evening projects within our zone. I want to say thank you to her for being such a good team leader and making sure that each event went well." – Virgie Fewell

9. Harvey Ballard – Housekeeping (Area 12)

"Harvey is always very helpful to me and our zone. He fills in for my lead tech whenever needed with no complaints, I want him to know how much his efforts are appreciated by me and our zone." – Virgie Fewell

10. Yan Yim – Housekeeping (Area 12)

"Yim has been working very hard in her assigned area taking care of events and projects. I want to say thank you to her for all her hard work." – Virgie Fewell

11. Bonny Shade – Dean of Students (Area 13)

"Bonny is the employee that every supervisor wishes for. She is competent, supportive, brilliant and a team player. This semester she has taken a tremendous amount on as I have been out of the office on business. She ran a complete successful search for our office, she helped struggling students and groups find solutions and reach for their potential, and I have watched her care for a support other Dean of Students staff members just because she recognizes that a strong team members also need people to lean on. I have learned on her more this semester than ever before. I can think of no worthier candidate for the Golden Nugget!!" – Michelle Guobadia

12. Leslie Robinson – Wellness Promotion (Area 13)

"Leslie is a hardworking, dedicated and generous colleague and friend. She is always willing to lend a hand and help even at the last minute. She helps keep us all smiling and upbeat even in the toughest times of the semester. She is one of a kind and I am so happy to know her and have her support" – Nicole Madonna-Rosario