Journalism students at the University of Worcester have had their achievements over the 2013/2014 academic year recognised with the distribution of end of year awards.

A total of ten awards were given out to reward outstanding achievement, including a ‘Student of the Year’ award in each of the three cohorts. The Year 1 and 2 awards were won by Rebecca Green and Nichola Thompson respectively, after both students impressed staff with their ability to produce high quality coursework while working in journalism.

The coveted Year 3 Student of the Year Award was awarded to Will Fyfe for his outstanding work across all modules during his final year. Another third year student, Jo Webb, received the Best Feature Award for her story about a student who managed to overcome a stroke and successfully complete a degree at the University of Worcester. Her moving account was published in the Worcester News.

The Sports Reporter of the Year Award was shared between two students - Kelly Holliday, who is in her final year and has covered Worcester City matches for the club this season, and year 2 student Chathura Pinnawala, who has become a regular correspondent at Worcestershire County Cricket Club for a number of media outlets. Another student who has excelled in sports reporting won the Best Online Journalism Award. Tom Davis has become a role model for the ‘Earn as you Learn’ concept with his prolific contributions to a range of sports websites.

Lewis Edwards won a new Fast-track into Journalism Award for moving straight from his studies into a job covering motor racing after cultivating the industry link during his final year.

Year 2 student Mike Trevelyan won another new award, for Most Industry Placements after securing more than 20 in an 18 month period at a range of print, online and broadcast outlets. The Best Photography Award went to year 2 student Matt Allan, who has produced material for his entertainment blog but also for a PR firm which lead to him being offered a graduate internship. The Best Multimedia Project went to a group of second year students lead by Conor Rees, who set up an online entertainment blog. Content across all platforms is contributed by Mike Trevelyan, James Linsey, Liam Harris and Mike Taylor.

Principal Lecturer and Subject Leader Claire Wolfe said: “We have some very talented students and it was hard to make some of these decisions.

“It is evident that our students are very go-getting and the level of industry links they develop, with our encouragement, seems to increase every year.

“This is having a major effect on their employment prospects. We are very confident that they will all do well and it is fantastic to recognise their efforts.”

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