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New York, NY, April 28, 2017—Three students were honored for outstanding achievement at the 16th Annual NOAA CREST Day at The City College of New York / CUNY campus on Thursday, April 27. Dr. Robert Foster whose doctoral degree in Electrical Engineering was conferred in January 2017 was recognized for Academic Excellence.

“I am incredibly honored to receive the NOAA-CREST award for academic excellence. NOAA-CREST has been incredibly supportive of my studies, and I would not have been able to come this far without it,” said Foster. He will begin work as a research associate at the National Research Council this summer.

The award for achievement in Community & Societal Engagement went to Dr. Elius Etienne, a doctoral student in Civil Engineering with a focus on water resources.

“It’s a privilege to be part of the CREST family and an honor to receive this award. I would like to thank NOAA-CREST for greatly contributing to my education and career,” said Etienne who will defend his thesis May 12.

Lawrence Vulis, a NOAA Undergraduate Scholar, was recognized for Professional Development.

“I am grateful to NOAA crest for providing the opportunity to contribute to the public good through scientific research,” said Vulis.

Vulis graduates in May with a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Earth Systems Science and Environmental Engineering.

“NOAA-CREST aims to educate and train a diverse group of students, early career scientists, and engineers to become competent professionals in NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) related STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) sciences. For more information, visit http://www.noaacrest.org.”

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