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Laurier Grads Take Five of 20 Places on Ontario Honour Roll

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WATERLOO – Laurier graduates dominated the Ontario Honour Roll in this year's Uniform Final Examination (UFE) for chartered accountants.

Results from the nation-wide exams, released Monday, show the University's School of Business and Economics produced five of the top 20 Ontario students. And while only 63 percent of Ontario students passed the exam, 85 percent of graduates from the Laurier's Bachelor in Business Administration (BBA) program succeeded.

Jennifer Hardy, who earned her BBA in 1996, tied for third place on the Ontario Honour Roll. She shares the Bronze Medal with Grant Abrams of McGill University. The pair also captured sixth place on the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants Honour Roll.

Laurier graduates Michael J. Newell and James C. Eaton tied for 15th place on the Ontario Roll. Aneil A.H. Manji shares 17th place with two other students while T. Craig Ferguson tied for 20th place.

The UFE, written in September, is a key component of earning the chartered accountant designation. The four-day exam tests core knowledge, professional judgment, ethics and the ability to communicate.

In Canada, 2,838 people wrote the exam; only 658 of Ontario's 1,039 writers passed.