Four Macaulay Honors College Seniors Win CUNY Salk Scholarships

(April 28, 2015, New York, NY) – Four seniors from Macaulay Honors College have received the prestigious CUNY Jonas E. Salk Scholarship. The Salk award identifies students entering the fields of medicine and the biological sciences who are most likely to make an impact on medicine and research.

This year’s Salk scholars include Ebrahim Afshinneko ’15 Macaulay Honors College at Queens College who has been admitted to New York Medical College; Anna Kozlova ’15 Macaulay Honors College at Brooklyn College who has been admitted to SUNY Downstate Medical School; Anton Mararenko ’15 Macaulay Honors College at the College of Staten Island, who has been admitted to the New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine; and Esther Rong ’15 Macaulay Honors College at Hunter College who has been admitted to the Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

CUNY created the Salk program in 1955 to honor Dr. Jonas E. Salk, the 1934 graduate of City College who discovered the polio vaccine. Each year CUNY awards eight Salk scholarships. The winners receive a total of $8,000 to help defray the cost of the M.D., Ph.D., D.Sc in Biomedical Sciences, or D.O. degree.

About Macaulay Honors College
Macaulay Honors College at The City University of New York offers exceptional students a uniquely personalized education with access to the vast resources of the nation’s largest urban university and New York City itself. Selected for their academic and leadership potential, Macaulay students receive a full-tuition scholarship, a laptop and technology support, and an Opportunities Fund to pursue global learning, research and service opportunities. Macaulay students enroll in one of eight CUNY senior colleges (Baruch, Brooklyn, City, Hunter, John Jay, Lehman, Queens Colleges and the College of Staten Island). For more information, see macaulay.cuny.edu.

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