

College of Liberal Arts  
Department of Philosophy

2010 Davenport Lecture  
and Student Awards Ceremony



*Manuel Davenport 1929-2000*

April 29, 2010

Philosopher • Teacher • Military Ethicist

*“... we have nothing to rely upon except our own human efforts.”*

Manuel Davenport



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**Dr. J. Carl Ficarrotta** (BA, Mercer University; MA, Emory University; PhD, University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill) is a professor of philosophy at the US Air Force Academy, where he has taught for 13 years. He speaks regularly on the topic of military ethics to audiences throughout the United States and Canada. The editor of *The Leader's Imperative: Ethics, Integrity, and Responsibility* (Purdue University Press, 2001), Dr. Ficarrotta has also published a number of articles on topics in theoretical and applied ethics, including "Are Military Professionals Bound by a Higher Moral Standard?" *Armed Forces and Society*, 1997.

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701 Rudder Hall  
Texas A&M University

April 29, 2010  
3:30pm

**Welcome**.....Daniel Conway  
*Professor and Department Head*

**Student Recognition**.....Scott Austin  
*Associate Professor, Director of Undergraduate Studies*  
.....Kristi Sweet  
*Assistant Professor, Associate Director of Undergraduate Studies*  
.....Gary Varner  
*Associate Professor, Director of Graduate Studies*  
.....Linda Radzik  
*Associate Professor, Associate Director of Graduate Studies*

**Introduction of Speaker**.....John J. McDermott  
*Distinguished Professor, Melbern G. Glasscock Professor  
of Humanities, Regents Professor*

**Lecture**.....J. Carl Ficarrotta  
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**Reception immediately following in the University Club**

The Manuel Davenport Lecture was established in 2008 by the Philosophy Department at Texas A&M University to honor the memory and philosophical legacy of Manuel Davenport (1929-2000), former Professor and Head of the Philosophy Department

# Student Honorees



## **Manuel Davenport Prize**

Andrew Thomas Rothwell  
Nicholas David Moore  
Kerri Ann Eisenbach  
Luke Andrew Gunderson  
John Ryan Thacker  
Colin Michael Noe

## **Graduate Essay Prize**

Zach Bachman  
Ross Colebrook

## **Phi Beta Kappa Members**

Kristen Dinorah Cloyd

## **Phi Sigma Tau Members**

Derick Wayne Lancaster

## **Aletheia Editorship Prize**

Sylvia Lloyd Allsup-Edwards

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