Academic Laureate

Stephen M. Berk, Ph.D.

- Former chair of the Department of History and director of the Program in Russian and Eastern European Studies at Union College. Praised as one of academe’s most powerful lecturers, Berk’s course on the Holocaust at Union is the most popular one offered at the College.
- Published widely on Russian and Jewish history, anti-Semitism, and the Middle East; has lectured throughout the U.S and Canada; and is frequently consulted by media from newspapers, television and radio, including the BBC.
- Received the prestigious Holocaust Memorial Award from the Holocaust Survivors and Friends Education Center in 1996, and in 2010 was designated an Israel Hero for his defense and advocacy of the State Israel by the Jewish Educational Resources of New York.

Community Laureate

James J. Barba

- President and chief executive officer of Albany Medical Center, the only academic health sciences center in northeastern New York, since 1995; also served as the chairman of the board of directors of Albany Med from 1994-2006. He is a frequent lecturer and author on health care topics and policy.
- Has served on numerous special commissions and councils by gubernatorial appointment, including his current role as co-chair of the Capital Region Economic Development Council. Also active in the local community and has served on the boards of such organizations as the Center for Economic Growth, the Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce, which he chaired, and Park Playhouse.
- Recipient of several awards including the Envoy Salute from the Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce for his vision, leadership and impact on the region’s economic vitality; the Executive of the Year from the Business Review; and the Career Achievement Award from Siena College. Additionally, he is a member of the Tech Valley Business Hall of Fame.
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