Six 4.0 graduates projected for 2018 May Commencement

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The 4.0 academic performance of (l-r) Edgar Ortiz and Kirk Prange would make it the first time two Aviation major have completed their undergraduate journey with a perfect GPA. Delaware State University may have a record number of students completing their undergraduate academic journeys with perfect 4.0 grade point averages during the 2017-2018 academic year.

As DSU approaches its May 12 Commencement Ceremony, there are six seniors who are carrying 4.0 GPAs into the final exams week of April 30-May 4. Along with the 2017 December Commencement’s lone 4.0 graduate, that would bring the total for the entire school year to a record eight 4.0 graduates.

Among the possible 4.0 students projected to graduate on May 12:

Morgan R. Johnson – a senior Psychology major from Ansonia, Conn., and the daughter of Todd and Candace Clark-Johnson.

Although she was a straight-A graduate of Metropolitan Business Academy High School in New Haven, Conn., Ms. Johnson said she began her undergraduate journey just wanting to pass her courses. Nevertheless, each semester ended as a continuation of her academic perfection. “By the time I got to my senior year, it didn’t make any sense for me to get a B,” she said. Ms. Johnson began as a Criminal Justice major, but then changed her major to Psychology after her junior year. “I have aspirations to work for the FBI or the Drug Enforcement Agency, but I also would like to be a clinical psychologist,” she said. “To work for (those federal agencies), I realized that I didn't have to have a Criminal Justice degree.”

During her DSU years, Ms. Johnson was a residential assistant and off-campus worked as a sales assistant at Charlotte Russe in the Dover Mall. As a three-year member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, she served as the treasurer during her senior year. She is also a member of the DSU Collegiate Chapter of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE), for which she is president.

I have learned a lot at DSU in terms of time management and becoming a better writer,” she said. “I have become more confident in myself and have become a better leader.”

Ms. Johnson plans to continue her education and is currently submitting graduate school applications.