## **BLACK STUDIES PROGRAM**

## 2016 AWARDS

## The Mary McLeod Bethune Award for Academic Excellence

The Mary McLeod Bethune Award recognizes academic and scholarly achievement by a Black Studies graduating senior who embodies the academic vigor of Mary McLeod Bethune. Candidates for this award have significantly contributed, in terms of academics and scholarship, to the intellectual discourses of African and African American Diasporic research and praxis.

2016 Recipient - Rilwan Ilumoka Mary McLeod Behune—Academic Excellence

## The Amílcar Cabral Freedom Award

The Amílcar Cabral Freedom Award recognizes a Black Studies minor graduating senior who has promoted the principles of Black Studies through leadership. The recipient displays a deep commitment to social justice and has shown an ability to transform this commitment into effective action while at Providence College.

2016 Recipient - Karissa Diaz—Amicar Cabral—Activism/Student leadership