

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

MARY LYON AWARD 2017

PRESENTED TO



Tamara J. Dews '06

TAMARA J. DEWS, CLASS OF 2006, the Alumnae Association is pleased to present to you the Mary Lyon Award. The award honors an alumna who graduated no more than fifteen years ago and who has demonstrated sustained achievement in her life and career consistent with the humane values that Mary Lyon exemplified and inspired in others.

Tamara, you began your career in New York City as contract coordinator in Sony Music Entertainment's business and legal affairs division, while pursuing a certificate in intellectual property law. In 2012 you made the shift to public service and were admitted to the highly selective Empire State Fellows Program, a program aimed at preparing the next generation of talented professionals as New York policy makers. Within two years you were named senior policy advisor to the governor for economic development while simultaneously enrolled in an executive MBA program.

You have shown equal devotion and ambition in your community, positively impacting the lives of others through your work as a volunteer and board member for various organizations and committees in New York State, including the Posse Foundation and Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow. Immediately upon graduation you became active with the Mount Holyoke Club of New York City, serving as officer and young alumnae chair. You also served the Alumnae Association Board of Directors as young alumnae representative and were a valuable member of the College's C2C Task Force.

In recognition of your exceptional early career achievements and in anticipation of your future impacts inspiring others to pay it forward, the Alumnae Association is honored to present you with the Mary Lyon Award.

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