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Congratulations to Bethany Williams who has been selected to receive the 2023 Dr. William A. and Courtney C. Gentry Award. This award is presented to a graduating senior psychology major in high academic standing, who displays a strong potential for making an impact on the direction of psychology through their future career, and who has been accepted to and will attend a psychology-related graduate program the next academic year.

Ms. Williams is a double-major in Psychology and Political Science and active in the Emory community as the co-founder of the Political Theory Club, a student worker at the library, and a member of the Phi Beta Kappa, Psi Chi, and Pi Sigma Alpha honors societies. She began working in the Bauer Memory at Emory laboratory in 2022 and researched and wrote an excellent honors thesis entitled "The role of embedded questions and caregiver-child extratextual talk during book reading for children's integration of science facts." She delivered an exceptional defense of her work, earning Highest Honors. This fall, she will begin the Master of Social Work (MSW) program at Washington University, St. Louis, where she will pursue a degree with a Concentration in Children, Youth and Families and a Specialization in Violence and Injury Prevention.