The Catholic University of America and the Department of Biomedical Engineering are proud to recognize the 2008-09 Nagel Scholars, the program’s best and brightest. Since 1998 the Edward M. Nagel Foundation has supported the recognition of the top undergraduate biomedical engineering scholars who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, service, and community involvement. With an average cumulative GPA of 3.76, this year’s Nagel Scholars excel not only in the classroom, but are extremely active on-campus and in the community. These scholars’ profiles are provided below.

- **Thomas Giuliani** (Class 2009) is a senior BE major from Coconut Creek, Florida. He graduated 3rd out of 487 students in his high school class. He was president of the Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) and is active in the Rugby Club and Campus Ministry.

- **Megan Jamiolkowski** (Class 2010) is a junior BE major from McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania. She currently ranks 4th in her engineering class and is an active member of the BMES and Society of Women Engineers (SWE). Megan is also involved with Campus Ministry and has been active in the marching band, Girls Scouts, and Students Against Drunk Driving.

- **Theresa Murray** (Class 2010) is a BE major from Vermont, Connecticut. She is currently 7th in her engineering class at CUA and finished high school 8th out of 166 students. At CUA, Theresa is active in BMES, SWE, Campus Ministry and has been involved with drama and dance as a member of the Stage East Players.

- **Katherine Rucky** (Class 2010) is a BE major from Mitchellville, Maryland. She finished 2nd in her high school class. Katherine has been received several honors and awards in Chemistry and is involved in the community working with disabled children through the Therapeutic Riding program.

- **Jenna Graham** (Class 2011) is a Sophomore BE major from Columbia, Maryland. She was the valedictorian of her high school class (1 out of 232) and is currently ranked 2nd in her engineering class. She is a 3-sport athlete in soccer, basketball, and lacrosse.

- **Andrew Gravunder** (Class 2011) is a BE major from Piqua, Ohio. He is involved in varsity basketball and baseball and was vice-president of his high school class.

- **Patrick Noonan** (Class 2011) is a BE major from Annapolis, Maryland. He graduated in the 8th in his class of 147 students. Patrick has been involved in varsity soccer and lacrosse as well as the vice-president of his high school class.

- **Joseph McAnaney** (Class 2012) is a Freshman BE major from Suffield, Connecticut. He is an honor student (3rd out of 147 students) who is also active in soccer and tennis as well as community service. He has received several academic honors including being recognized as a National Merit Commended Scholar, AP Scholar in addition to receiving several other awards as well as being an accomplished musician.

- **Timothy Mierzwa** (Class 2012) is a BE major from Laurel, Maryland. He finished 16th out of 343 students in high school. He is an honors student and was co-captain of his varsity baseball team, receiving all-county honors from the Washington Post & Baltimore Sun.