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# THE ALTES PRIZE award reception

THE ALTES PRIZE IS NAMED FOR RETIRED, LONGTIME VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS JANE ALTES, AND IS AWARDED ANNUALLY TO A MEMBER OF THE COLLEGE FACULTY.

Catherine Fisher Collins, Ed.D., is the recipient of the 2013 - 2014 Altes Prize for Exemplary Community Service in recognition for her work in the Buffalo community and beyond, focusing on health care, homelessness and transitional housing for formerly incarcerated women, with a particular emphasis on the needs of African-American women, for whom there is a pattern of health care disparities, compared to the population at large.



### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2014 Awards Ceremony – 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The Foundry 1738 Elmwood Ave. Buffalo, New York

R.S.V.P. to 716-686-7800, ext. 7835 Music and refreshments immediately following the ceremony.



Catherine Fisher Collins, Ed.D., a nurse practitioner and R.N., is recognized for her work in the Buffalo community and beyond, focusing on health care, homelessness and transitional housing for formerly incarcerated women, with a particular emphasis on the needs of African-American women, for whom there is a pattern of health care disparities, compared to the population at large.

She is the author of a series of books focusing on African-American women in the correctional system and social and health care issues. She is currently editing a book about African-American girls.

Four years ago, she started a women's radio program to educate and inform women in the region about health and social issues that impact them and their loved ones, which has had resounding support. The show, "Women's Health with Dr. Catherine Collins," airs twice monthly on 1400 WWWS.AM. It is the sole radio show devoted entirely to women's health.

In addition, Collins has spearheaded community initiatives such as Project Love and Hope for Homeless Children that served children in New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Washington, D.C. With the Army Reserve Health Center at the Masten Avenue Armory in Buffalo, she established a volunteer weekend clinic to provide needed health services for children attending Public School #44 and residents of the Fruit Belt neighborhood with limited or no insurance. The clinic was staffed by Army medical personnel, in addition to Collins and other health professionals who volunteered their time.



Empire State College, State University of New York, cordially invites you to attend an award ceremony honoring

Catherine Fisher Collins, Ed.D.