Stockton Graduate Receives 2015 New Jersey Distinguished Student Teacher Award

Kaitlyn Odgers of Barnegat to Receive Honor on June 24

For Immediate Release; Kaitlyn Odgers photo attached

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Galloway Township, NJ – Kaitlyn Odgers of Barnegat, N.J., a December 2014 graduate of Stockton University's Education and Psychology programs, will receive one of this year's New Jersey Distinguished Student Teacher Award, which recognizes the top 15 graduates of teacher education programs throughout the state. Odgers was selected out of 44 nominees from 22 colleges and universities.

Amber Johnston of Marmora in Upper Township, N.J., a 2015 graduate of Stockton's Education and Literature programs, was also nominated for the award.

The New Jersey Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (NJACTE) and the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) will host an awards ceremony honoring the winners and nominees on **June 24 at 5 p.m.** at the Yvonne Theater at Rider University in Lawrenceville, NJ.

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"I realized almost immediately that Kaitlyn was going to be a great student teacher," said Callahan, who will also be honored at the June 24 awards ceremony. "Within a few weeks, I had to change my initial opinion – she wasn't going to be great, but extraordinary! To watch her