MassBay student wins prestigious scholarship

WELLESLEY - A decorated U.S. Marine Corps veteran has become the latest Massachusetts Bay Community College student to bag the prestigious Goldwater Scholarship award.

Kenny Moreno of Boston’s neighborhood of Hyde Park is among about 300 people nationwide who won this year’s Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship in Science and Engineering.

The biotechnology student is the only winner from a two-year-college and received the highest score from Goldman reviewers among Massachusetts honorees.

The Goldwater scholarship provides $7,500 for the undergraduate study of math, natural sciences and engineering. It is named for the late U.S. Sen. Barry Goldwater, an Arizona Republican.

Moreno becomes the 18th MassBay Community College student to win the prize.

The school is the only community college in the country to have produced more than three Goldwater scholars.

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