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Hilary Dean David Goldenberg (left) with Leon Sadownik, Al’09, Ga’20, first-year Hilley student who read Sadownik’s citation at the ceremony, and Provost Sharon L. Vazquez.

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Hartford, Conn., recently ranked 8th among the best metro areas for college graduates looking to enter the job market, according to a study published in The Atlantic on Oct. 22. The study was conducted by Richard Florida, a senior editor at The Atlantic, the director of the Martin Prosperity Institute at the University of Toronto’s Rotman School of Management, and global research professor at New York University. The University of Hartford’s Barney School of Business has been named one of the nation’s most outstanding business schools, according to the education services company The Princeton Review. The company features the Barney School in the 2014 edition of its book, The Best 295 Business Schools. The book publisher says, “We recommend the Barney School of Business as one of the best institutions in the United States. The school is top-ranked globally in international business research and undergraduate and graduate programs. Previously, Roth served as executive director of the flagship international MBA program at the Moore School of Business and as the school’s chief innovation and assessment officer.

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