

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS

2023 HONORS AND AWARDS CEREMONY PROGRAM

Congratulations to all our graduates and award winners!

The University of Toledo College of Arts and Letters celebrates its top students each year with the Honors and Awards Ceremony. This is the program for the Spring 2023 UToledo CAL Honors and Awards Ceremony, held May 5, 2023 in Doermann Theatre.

Photos of the ceremony will be available after the event to those with a UToledo email account.

PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL

Bold Procession

By David Nelson Jex
UToledo Brass Quintet

Faculty of the College, Students



WELCOME AND RECOGNITION OF THE PLATFORM

Melissa Gregory, Interim Dean

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Dean's Prize Winners

Kristen Keith, Associate Dean

Short Prose Essay

Lydia Babcock

"The Importance of Structure in Julia Alvarez's 'Bilingual Sestina'"

Major: English

Long Prose Essay

Isabella R. Garza

"The Impact of Plain Language and Easy Read on People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities"

Major: Disability Studies

Long Prose Essay

Tara Smith

"Nonbinary Performance and the Critical Binary 'Traps' of Twelfth Night"

Dual Major: English and Art History

Creative Work

Amber M. Rank

"Poetry of Proseminar"

Dual Major: English and Women's and Gender Studies

Student Leadership and Engagement Award

Melissa Gregory, Interim Dean

Liam K. Walsh

Dual Major: Law and Social Thought and Political Science

Excellence in Perseverance Award

Kristen Keith, Associate Dean

▪ **Taylor N. Cordle**

Major: Sociology

▪ **Brendan E. DuMoulin**

Major: Anthropology

▪ **Karsten F. Gaffney**

Major: German

▪ **Amaia K. Ham**

Major: Communication Studies

▪ **Jacqueline Mars**

Major: Philosophy

▪ **Ahona Roy**

Major: Economics

▪ **Zainab A. Wehbi**

Major: Visual Arts

▪ **Tatiana Zeadker**

Major: Psychology

Recognition of Graduates Receiving Departmental and Latin Honors

Edmund Ligan, Interim Associate Dean

Faculty Readers

Sharon Barnes

Matt Foss

Tisha Mays

▪ Departmental Honors

▪ Summa Cum Laude

▪ Magna Cum Laude

▪ Cum Laude

Medals to Outstanding Students

Department Chairs and Representatives

College Outstanding Student Award

Melissa Gregory, Interim Dean

Madeline M. Vining

Majors: Economics and Political Science

CONGRATULATIONS

Melissa Gregory, Interim Dean

RECESSIONAL

Celebration

By David Nelson Jex

UToledo Brass Quintet

ARTS AND LETTERS OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

DEPARTMENT OF ART

Outstanding Student

Alexis N. Moser

Major: Studio Art

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION

Outstanding Student

Grace K. Powell

Major: Media Communication

DISABILITY STUDIES PROGRAM

Outstanding Student

Isabella R. Garza

Major: Disability Studies

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Outstanding Student

Madeline M. Vining

Dual Major: Economics and Political Science

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Outstanding Student

Tara Smith

Dual Major: English and Art History

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AND PLANNING

Outstanding Student

Nicholas G. Bonfiglio

Dual Major: Geography and Planning and History

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Outstanding Student

William Brooks

Major: History

INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMS - DATA ANALYTICS

Outstanding Student

Lilian G. Cole

Major: Data Analytics

LAW AND SOCIAL THOUGHT PROGRAM

Outstanding Student

Jacob Benner

Major: Law and Social Thought

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Outstanding Student

Gina R. DiGirolamo

Major: Music

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Outstanding Student - Philosophy

Rebecca S. Roberts

Dual Major: Philosophy and English

Outstanding Student - Religious Studies

Paula D. Ashley

Major: Religious Studies

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Outstanding Student

Katherine O. Zura

Major: Political Science

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Outstanding Student

Loren N. Taylor

Major: Psychology

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY

Outstanding Student - Anthropology

Elizabeth A. Pawlowicz

Major: Anthropology

Outstanding Student - Sociology

Taylor N. Cordle

Major: Sociology

DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE AND FILM

Outstanding Student - Film/Video

Ryan J. Gagnet

Major: Film/Video

Outstanding Student - Theatre

Jeffery M. Enck

Major: Theatre

DEPARTMENT OF WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

Outstanding Student

Samuel L. Shockey

Dual Major: French and Spanish

2023 GRADUATES WITH HONORS

DEPARTMENTAL HONORS

- Paula Ashley, Religious Studies
- George Benson, Religious Studies
- Aastha D. Bhavsar, Psychology
- Rhiannon M. Byrd, Art
- Brendan E. DuMoulin, Anthropology
- Jasmine S. Fox, Law and Social Thought
- Isabella R. Garza, Disability Studies
- Susan I. Hansen, Art
- Logan M. Herl, Art
- David H. Heuring, History
- Leah M. Kehler, Psychology
- Clare J. Krzykala, Law and Social Thought, Psychology
- Abbigail M. Kurtz, Anthropology
- Morgan A. Miller, Law and Social Thought
- Alexis N. Moser, Art
- Alexandria G. Reeves, Anthropology
- Brenna M. Schaefer, Law and Social Thought
- Adrienne R. Siefert, English
- Tara Smith, English
- Nithya Sundar, Psychology
- Loren N. Taylor, Psychology
- Madeline M. Vining, Economics, Political Science
- Nour A. Zrien, Psychology

STUDENTS GRADUATING SUMMA CUM LAUDE

(Blue and gold twisted cords)

- Paula Ashley, Religious Studies
- Jenna A. Basden, Political Science

- Aastha D. Bhavsar, Psychology
- William Brooks, History
- Zac A. Brown, Political Science
- Deanna E. Carine, Psychology
- Alayna Curran, Spanish
- Ysabel R. Duran, Communication
- Natalie I. Frost, Psychology
- Isabella R. Garza, Disability Studies
- Jessica L. Gozdowski, Communication
- Evan J. Grel, History, Political Science
- Justin Hale, History
- Amaia K. Ham, Communication
- Katelyn M. Heckenmueller, Spanish
- Logan M. Herl, Art
- Lila Y. Jarouche, Political Science
- Noah L. Johnson, Communication
- Leah M. Kehler, Psychology
- Abbigail M. Kurtz, Anthropology
- Gina M. Managhan, Psychology
- Madison T. Medalle, Psychology
- Tiara M. Medley, Media Communication
- Morgan A. Miller, Law and Social Thought
- Sarah M. Mujic, Visual Arts, Art History
- Dhairya C. Patel, Economics
- Elizabeth A. Pawlowicz, Anthropology
- Austin J. Perry, Media Communication, History
- Grace K. Powell, Media Communication
- Lauren M. Reitz, Communication
- Natalie V. Rice, Media Communication, Theatre
- Alyssa C. Robbins, History
- Benjamin G. Roller, History, Economics
- Eric D. Salvati, Disability Studies
- Brenna M. Schaefer, Law and Social Thought
- Sydney L. Schauwecker, Media Communication
- Adrienne R. Siefert, English
- Tara Smith, Art History, English
- Grace E. Stupka, English
- Nithya Sundar, Psychology
- Loren N. Taylor, Psychology
- Desiree T. Trevino, Psychology
- Madeline M. Vining, Economics, Political Science
- Alys E. Vollmar, Law and Social Thought
- Davion D. Williams, Law and Social Thought, English
- Rachel M. Wismer, General Studies
- Katherine O. Zura, Political Science

STUDENTS GRADUATING MAGNA CUM LAUDE

(Blue cords)

- Anthony B. Barone, Film/Video
- Jacob Benner, Law and Social Thought
- Trinity Benson, Psychology
- Erin A. Black, Communication
- Avery N. Bohman, English
- Nicholas G. Bonfiglio, Geography and Planning, History
- Aubrey E. Buford, Law and Social Thought
- Christina M. Bundy, Psychology
- Robert A. Chernock, Communication
- Kimberly Cload, Psychology
- Kennedy G. Copeland, Media Communication
- Taylor N. Cordle, Sociology
- Morgan E. Cronenwett, Media Communication
- Joey E. Crosby, Psychology
- Gillian O. Delffs, Psychology
- Antionette I. Dersch, Film/Video
- Sarah J. DeWitt, English
- Gina R. DiGirolamo, Music
- Nicholas Dugger, Political Science
- Brendan E. DuMoulin, Anthropology
- Sophia M. Fallouh, Communication
- Philomena Fernandes, English
- Karsten F. Gaffney, German
- McKenna A. Gallagher, Communication
- McKenna C. Gaudiello, English
- David H. Heuring, History
- Norman J. Hobbs, Law and Social Thought
- Sara Ichino, Data Analytics
- Ryan A. Jewell, Communication
- Vanessa J. Johnson, Sociology
- Shauna N. Kalita, Communication
- Jana N. Kassem, History
- Makenna P. Kinnee, Law and Social Thought
- Nicholas R. Koenig, Geography
- Emma C. Koons, Communication
- Catharine J. Korsnack, Communication
- Cameron J. Kreger, Psychology
- Clare J. Krzykala, Law and Social Thought, Psychology
- Isaac D. Leitner, Economics
- Shu Liang, Economics
- Kylee D. Loose, Economics
- Adelay G. Marks, Psychology
- Hannah M. Morgan, English, Anthropology
- Desiree L. Mysinger, Psychology, History
- Madison A. Oatman, Art, History
- Paige M. Paprocki, Psychology
- Maegan N. Prykan, History
- Anna K. Riihiluoma, Psychology
- Rebecca S. Roberts, English, Philosophy

- Emily M. Salhi, Psychology
- Kahlan B. Schuster, Communication
- Samuel L. Shockey, French, Spanish
- Veyda E. Sievert, Psychology
- Scott M. Smith, Geography
- Macey C. Strause, Political Science
- Lauren M. Szenderski, English
- Zainab A. Wehbi, Visual Arts
- Qilong Wei, Music
- Elizabeth M. Whitehurst, Psychology
- Alayna K. Wiedmann, Political Science
- Nour A. Zrien, Psychology

STUDENTS GRADUATING CUM LAUDE

(Gold cords)

- Alexa G. Ayres, Psychology
- George Benson, Religious Studies
- Deepa N. Bhujbal, Media Communication
- Michael A. Borjas, Music
- Alexandra J. Buraszkeski, Communication
- Joshua W. Cahill, Psychology
- Maggie J. Carder, Communication
- Megan B. Carter, Psychology
- Lilian G. Cole, Data Analytics
- Katelyn DePew, General Studies
- Tyler L. Doss, English
- Abigail Duhaime, Psychology
- Claire Eid, Psychology
- Kelsey L. Eischen, Psychology
- Taylor L. Empey, Psychology
- Jeffery M. Enck, Theatre
- Marian H. Estifan, Psychology
- Maci C. Forster, Psychology
- Jasmine S. Fox, Law and Social Thought
- Ryan J. Gagnet, Film/Video
- Hannah E. Goerlitz, Psychology
- Cameron J. Guy, Political Science
- Jacob R. Hammersmith, Law and Social Thought
- Jackson H. Howard, Anthropology
- Sarah Q. Howerton, General Studies
- Willie Joshaway, English
- Mackenzie A. Kaseman, Psychology
- Kirsten E. Kendrick, Spanish
- Emilee G. Makulinski, Psychology
- Alexia D. Moehling, Spanish
- Michael Moore, Media Communication
- Alexis N. Moser, Art
- Skyler M. Myers, English

- Elena N. Nassif, Intercultural Competency, Middle East Studies
 - Isabella L. Palazzolo, Political Science
 - Tulsi H. Patel, Psychology
 - Tyler G. Perino, Psychology
 - Nathaniel O. Potter, Psychology
 - Marzia Qurban Ali, Political Science
 - Kayla A. Rodriguez, Psychology
 - Fisher P. Rowe, Psychology
 - Ahona Roy, Economics
 - Kelsie R. Ruble, French
 - Tyrian M. Sutton, Economics
 - Devin J. Turner, Psychology
 - Megan M. Vesoulis, Psychology
 - Ashlynn M. Waddell, English
 - Cory D. Yenor Economics
 - Sim Yeng Yong, Psychology
 - Christopher M. Yost, Political Science
 - Mark A. Young, Psychology
 - Samuel W. Yusko, English
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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Outstanding Student Awards

Department Selection Committees

Dean's Essay Prize Committee

- Charles Beatty, Department of History
- Jim Ferris, Disability Studies Program
- Matt Foss, Department of Theatre and Film
- Christopher Martin, Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies
- Andrew Mattison, Department of English Language and Literature
- Barbara Miner, Department of Art
- Michael Voss, Department of Political Science and Public Administration
- Matt Yockey, Department of Theatre and Film

ASL Interpreters

- Kathleen Lindsey
- Jennifer Magill

Faculty Readers

- Sharon Barnes, Department of Women's and Gender Studies
- Matt Foss, Department of Theatre and Film
- Tisha Mays, Department of Communication

UToledo Brass Quintet

- Dr. David Jex, trumpet
- Bruce Heuring, trombone

- David McClellan, French horn
- Dr. Andrew Rhodes, tuba
- Ric Wolkins, trumpet

College of Arts and Letters Staff

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