Gonzaga University
Academic Honors
Convocation
2023

Tuesday, April 25
Behind the Scenes

Excitement builds as we gather to honor our amazing community members!

Colleagues and friends greet one another and share their stories before processing into the ceremony space.
Dr. Marianne Poxleitner
Professor of Biology and Faculty President

Faculty Marshal for the Academic Honors Convocation and

Presenter for the Faculty Awards portion of the ceremony
Dr. Ellen M. Maccarone
Acting Vice President for Mission Integration and Associate Professor of Philosophy

Delivering the Land Acknowledgment
Reverend Janeen Steer
Office of Mission & Ministry
Offering the Invocation for the Academic Honors Convocation
Sacha Kopp, Ph.D.  
Provost  
*Master of Ceremonies for the Academic Honors Convocation*
Outstanding Academic Achievement

FRESHMAN CLASS AWARD
TATUM RYEIN UHLRICH

SOPHOMORE CLASS AWARD
ETHAN MACVICAR

JUNIOR CLASS AWARD
WILLOW COLLINS

not able to attend

JEROME NADAL, S.J.,
RETURNING ADULT AWARD
MATTHEW P. LARAMIE
Freshman Class Award

Tatum Ryein Uhlrich
Sophomore Class Award

Ethan MacVicar
Jerome Nadal, S.J.,
Returning Adult Award

Matthew P. Laramie
Scholar Athletes of the Year

Alyssa Bienfang
Cross-Country

Ezra Samperi
Baseball

not able to attend
Scholar Athlete of the Year

Alyssa Bienfang

Cross-Country
Distinguished Service to the Community

COMMUNITY ENGAGED LEARNING STUDENT OF THE YEAR
ABIGAIL COTA

EVA LASSMAN MEMORIAL STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD
ERIN K. DAVIS

not able to attend
College of Arts & Sciences Awards

Presented by
Dean Annmarie Caño, Ph.D.

- Art
- Biology
- Chemistry & Biochemistry
- Sociology & Criminology
- Classical Civilizations
- Communication Studies
- Dance
- English
- Environmental Studies & Sciences

- History
- International Studies
- Mathematics
- Modern Languages & Literature
- Music
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Religious Studies
- Women's & Gender Studies

Photos are in order by students' last names with the exception of those in group photos

Not able to attend:

Ashton Blair  Sara Clark  Bri Covert  Lily Miller  Gillian Wittstock
Global Scholars Award for Distinction in International Studies

Miguel Acosta Loza
Robert D. Prusch Award for Distinction in Biology

Braden Bell
Sarah Bradford
(Classical Civilizations)
Jo Merwin Scholarship

Kendra Brislawn

(Music)
Jo Merwin Scholarship

Mary Browne

(Music)
Jerry Kohls Award for Excellence in Philosophy

Carter Bushee
Flannery Award for Excellence in Religious Studies

Parker Coleman
American Institute of Chemists Award

Faith Dennie

(Chemistry & Biochemistry)
Academic Excellence and Citizenship Award for Dance Performance

Zoe Driml
Theta Alpha Kappa Undergraduate Achievement Award

Montse Gasca

(Religious Studies)
Women's and Gender Studies
Founders' Award for Excellence in Activism

Benjamin Gonzales
Outstanding Achievement in Modern Hebrew Language Award

Brayden Dini

(Modern Languages & Literature)
Martin P. Blum Scholarship Award in Recognition of Exemplary Academic Performance in French

Elouise Hollenkamp

(Modern Languages & Literature)
Excellence in Spanish Award

Emily Hunter

(Modern Languages & Literature)
Phi Alpha Theta Award for Excellence in History

Peter Kerr
Outstanding Senior Students in Sociology

Anisia Malai Vanh Khammala
(left)

and

Ariana Bethany Chin
(right)
Outstanding Physics Major

Yuchen Huang
Outstanding Senior Student in Criminology

Haley R. Mayer
Peter G. Pauw Award for Distinction in Biology

Haylee Marie Pollard
Emiliano Soto-Romero
Jazmine E. Newson

left to right after Dean Caño
Outstanding Senior Student in Criminology

Haylee Marie Pollard
Outstanding Achievement in Filipino/Tagalog Language Award

Dawson Oen

(Modern Languages & Literature)
Carsrud Award

Benjamin Lombardi

(Mathematics)
Environmental Studies Exemplary Senior Award

Kelly Patterson
Excellence in Italian Award

Lillian Parker

(Modern Languages & Literature)
Maxine Andrea Asistido Reyes (left)

Tara Hollander (right)
Women's and Gender Studies
Founders' Award for Excellence in Academics

Amy Robinson
Fr. William T. Costello, S.J.
Outstanding Senior
English Major Award

Olivia Rollman
German Excellency Award

Camille Ruhlin-Hicks

(Modern Languages & Literature)
School of Business Administration

Excellence Award Recipients

OLIVER ANDERSSON
ALEXIS DEADMARSH
KATELYN ELAINE ORNDORFF
TREVOR MATTHEW TAYLOR
School of Business Administration Excellence Award

Alexis Deadmarsh
School of Business Administration Excellence Award

Katelyn Elaine Orndorff
School of Business Administration Excellence Award

Trevor Matthew Taylor
School of Education Awards

Presented by Dean Yoli Gallardo, Ph.D.

EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
LIAM BRAATEN

EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION
JASMIN AZIZI
School of Education Excellence Award for Elementary Education

Liam Braaten
School of Education Excellence Award for Secondary Education

Jasmin Azizi
Outstanding Senior in Civil Engineering
Antonio Roman Campos

Outstanding Senior in Computer Engineering
Ryan Leahy

Outstanding Senior in Electrical Engineering
Mikey Erickson

Outstanding Senior in Computer Science
Samantha Quinn Ward

Outstanding Senior in Mechanical Engineering
Yuchen Huang

Outstanding Senior of the Year
Luke William Martin

School of Engineering & Applied Science Awards

Presented by Dean Karlene Hoo, Ph.D.
Outstanding Senior in Civil Engineering

Antonio Roman Campos
Outstanding Senior in Computer Engineering

Ryan Leahy
Outstanding Senior in Electrical Engineering

Mikey Erickson
Outstanding Senior in Engineering Management

Samantha Quinn Ward
Outstanding Senior in Mechanical Engineering

Yuchen Huang
Outstanding Senior in Computer Science
and School of Engineering and Applied Science Outstanding Senior 2023

Luke William Martin
School of Nursing & Human Physiology Awards

Presented by
Interim Dean Matt Bahr, Ph.D.

OUTSTANDING BACHELOR OF SCIENCE NURSING STUDENT
MELANIE BENSON

OUTSTANDING DOCTOR OF NURSE ANESTHESIA PRACTICE
KATE ANAHOLA HALL

OUTSTANDING HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY STUDENT
RHYS ELIZABETH HEENAN

PAT RUSYLA NURSING AWARD
NAAMAN JOSEPH GRIFFIN

OUTSTANDING DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE STUDENT
BRIANNA BAUBLITZ

OUTSTANDING FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER
RYAN WILLIS

PAT RUSYLA NURSING AWARD
JENN LEWIS

Not able to attend
Outstanding Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice Award

Kate Anahola Hall
Outstanding Human Physiology Student Award

Rhys Elizabeth Heenan
Pat Ruzyla Nursing Award

Naaman Joseph Griffin
Faculty Keynote

Karen Petruska, Ph.D.

Associate Professor of Communication Studies

Community Engaged Learning
Faculty Member of the Year 2022
Faculty Awards

presented by

Faculty President, Marianne Poxleitner, Ph.D.
Professor of Biology
Faculty Award Winners 2023

NOT PICTURED:
Leslie Stamoolis, M.F.A. – Compass Award
Todd Finkle, Ph.D. – Professional Contributions
Monica Bartlett, Ph.D. – Academic Citizenship – not able to attend
Laurie Arnold, Ph.D. – Open (Tenured) – not able to attend

Susan Poindexter, BEd, Special Education
Community Engaged Learning
Faculty of the Year

Kay Slater, MSN, RN
Collaborative Work & Innovation

Susan Edwards, MSN, RN, CHSE
Teaching Excellence (Non-Tenure Track)

Nancy Staub, Ph.D.
Diversity Leadership

Meirong “Mary” Zhang, Ph.D.
Professional Contributions

Susan Edwards, MSN, RN, CHSE
Community Engaged Learning
Faculty of the Year

Jamie Rock, Ph.D., RN
Collaborative Work & Innovation

Gary Chang, Ph.D.
Teaching Excellence (Tenured)

Juliane Mora, Ph.D.
Collaborative Work & Innovation
and Compass Award

Jamella Gow, Ph.D.
Teaching Excellence (Tenure-Track)
Teaching Excellence (Tenured)

Gary Chang, Ph.D.
Teaching Excellence (Non-Tenure Track)

Susan Edwards, M.S.N., R.N., CHSE
Professional Contributions

Todd Finkle, Ph.D.
Teaching Excellence
(Tenure-Track)

Jamella Gow, Ph.D.
Collaborative Work and Innovation

Juliane Mora, Ph.D.
Compass Award

Juliane Mora, Ph.D.
Community Engaged Learning Faculty
Member of the Year

Susan Poindexter,
BEd Special Education
Compass Award

Leslie Stamoolis, M.F.A.
Diversity Leadership

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Professional Contributions

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