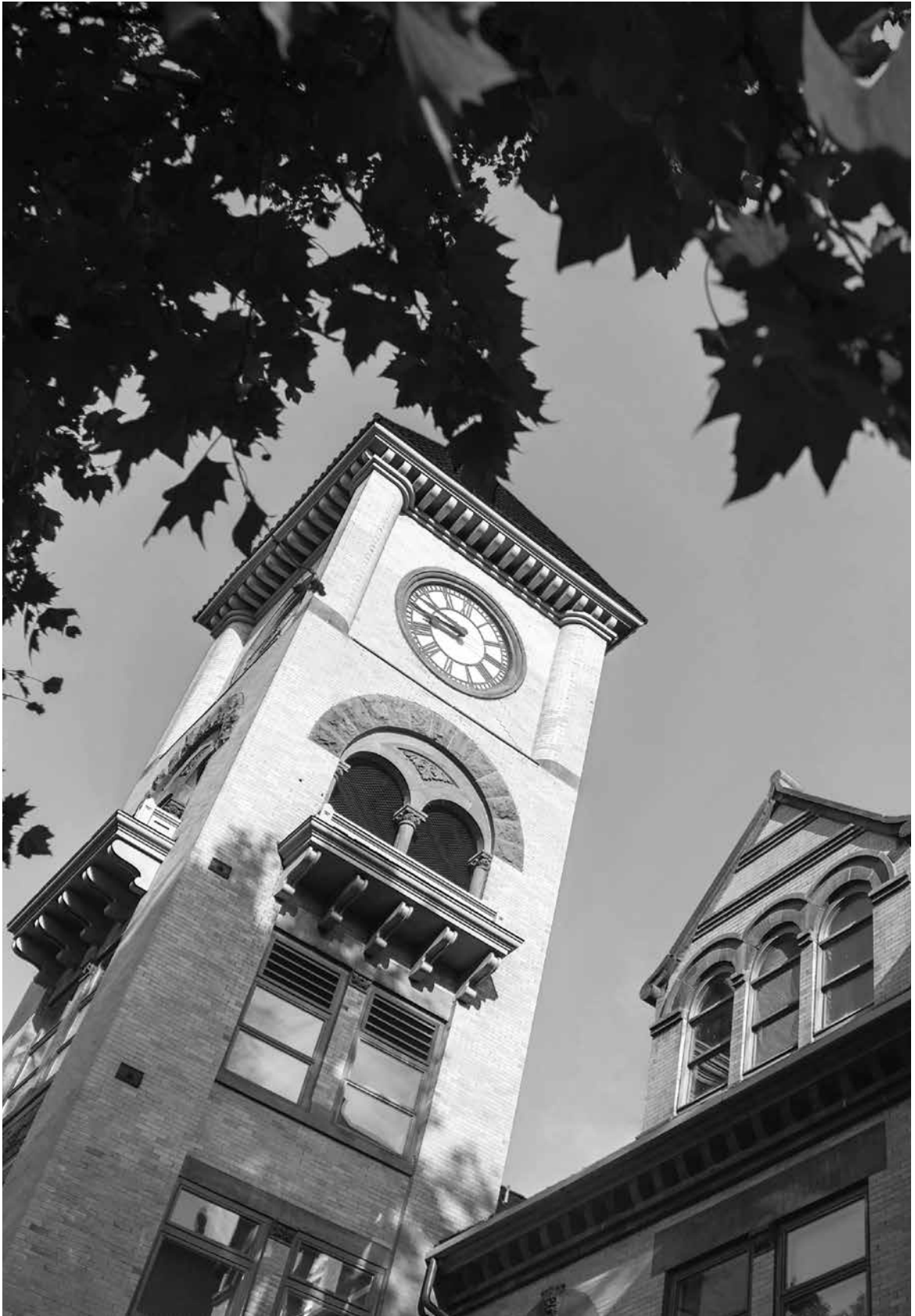


The logo is a circular emblem containing a detailed line drawing of a clock tower. The tower has a multi-tiered, conical roof with a finial at the top. Below the roof is a square section with a large circular clock face. The tower is supported by four columns. At the base, there are two arched doorways with decorative elements. The entire emblem is rendered in a light gray color.

WHITMAN COLLEGE

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHTH COMMENCEMENT

11 A.M. SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024



THE CEREMONY

OPENING OF CEREMONY	Sarah R. Bolton, <i>President</i>
PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS	President Bolton
DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AWARDS <i>Award recipients listed on pages 26-27</i>	President Bolton
DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD	Alzada J. Tipton, <i>Provost</i> Abigael Grace Carron '24
CLASS OF 2024 SPEAKER	Adeshola Elegbeleye Williams Mau '24
INTRODUCTION OF COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER	Kasey Pearl Moulton '24
HONORARY DEGREE	President Bolton
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	Cecilia Kang '94
CONFERRING OF BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREES	President Bolton <i>Names read by Dr. Tipton</i>
ALUMNI WELCOME	Joseph C. Davis '80 <i>Chair of the Board of Trustees</i>
CLOSING REMARKS	President Bolton
"WHITMAN! HERE'S TO YOU!" Asta Emilija Liffick '24, soprano Adeshola Elegbeleye Williams Mau '24, soprano Diana Claire Plenefisch '24, soprano Aziz Šahbazović '24, baritone Riley Jo Schetter '24, alto Katelin Sage Stewart '24, alto Accompanied by the Walla Walla Valley Band	Stephen B. L. Penrose (1864-1947)

Turn to the last page for music and lyrics



A MESSAGE TO THE CLASS OF 2024 FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Graduates,

Congratulations on reaching this incredible milestone—your Whitman College commencement ceremony. You made it!

Today marks a significant milestone in your lives, one that symbolizes your dedication and resilience. Most of you began your college experience like no other class before you—during the challenging times of a global pandemic. Most of you started entirely online, connecting with your classmates and professors solely via video screens. When you were finally able to come to campus, your on-campus experience began with a two-week quarantine. And remember your learning pods? Your first academic year lacked the many in-person events and activities that fill our calendars again today.

And through it all, you persevered. You created new ways to connect with each other, new ways to support each other and new ways to build community. In true Whitman spirit, you have shown compassion and empathy for others, and you have demonstrated your commitment to building a more just world.

In many ways, you embody what is best about liberal arts education—engaging deeply and thinking critically, displaying intellectual curiosity and social responsibility. These values guided you in pursuit of an academic degree and will continue to guide you in the years ahead.

The world is full of great challenges—ones that call for leaders who are committed to making a positive difference and who know how to bring people together to make it happen. You all hold tremendously bright futures, and I am confident that you will use your skills, knowledge and passion to do work that matters—now, and for generations to come.

In closing, I want to remind you that the support you found at Whitman does not end today. You will always be part of this Whittie community of classmates, professors, staff members, volunteers, friends and alumni who have guided and encouraged you along the way. And we will always be glad to welcome you back.

Congratulations, Class of 2024!



Sarah R. Bolton
President

DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD

This award recognizes an outstanding elementary or secondary school teacher who has had a significant influence on a graduating senior, including encouraging an interest in learning, fostering skills and interest in a specific field or discipline, and contributing to the student's preparation for college.



Abigail Grace Carron '24

Nominating Student

Abigail Carron is from Boulder, Colorado, and is graduating with a degree in Biology-Environmental Studies. Throughout her time at Whitman, she has been deeply involved in campus life, leading many clubs and working at the Outdoor Program Rental Shop. Carron was a recipient of the Whitman Internship Grant and the 2023 Arthur G. Rempel Scholarship, which allowed her to perform research with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Utqiagvik, Alaska. After graduation, she plans to complete her Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician training and return to Whitman next fall as the Field Manager for Semester in the West.



Ryan O'Block

Distinguished Teaching Award Recipient

Born and raised in Durango, Colorado, Ryan O'Block attended the University of Colorado, earning his bachelor's degree in Physics and master's degree in Science Curriculum and Instruction. While at the University of Colorado, O'Block was involved in science education research as a Noyce Scholar and active member of the Learning Assistant community. For the last 11 years, he has been an educator at Boulder High School where he teaches a variety of science classes, a co-director for the Panther Pride leadership program, and the organizer of the school's annual St. Baldrick's Foundation event. If you are a college football fan, you may have seen him on ESPN's College GameDay being recognized as one of the top Boulder Valley School District educators.

CLASS SPEAKER



Adeshola Elegbeleye Williams Mau '24

Adeshola Mau is originally from Toronto but now lives in Winnetka, Illinois, and is graduating with a degree in Art-Environmental Studies. During her time at Whitman, she served as a Greek Allies Program representative for more than two years and was on the executive committee of Kappa Alpha Theta as Vice President of Membership, Vice President of Education, Event Director and Vice President of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. Outside of Whitman, Mau has volunteered with Storytime and at the Blue Mountain Humane Society. In her free time, she likes to play instruments, sing, make art, cook and explore. In the fall, she will be moving to New York City with three other friends from Whitman to pursue work in the arts.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER INTRODUCTION



Kasey Pearl Moulton '24

Kasey Moulton is from Nampa, Idaho, and is graduating with a degree in History (Cultures and Ideas) with minors in Film and Media Studies and Creative Writing. As a first-generation student, Moulton received the President's Talent Scholarship in Debate, which made her Whitman experience possible. Throughout her senior year, Moulton served as Editor-in-Chief of The Whitman Wire, the college's largest student-run employer. She is incredibly grateful for the support shown by staff and faculty over the past four years. Moulton looks forward to pursuing opportunities that allow her to showcase her love for history.



COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER AND HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT



Cecilia Kang '94

Cecilia Kang is an award-winning National Correspondent at The New York Times, where she reports on the intersection of technology and public policy, translating complex issues to broad audiences with narrative storytelling and clear explanatory writing. She has broken news that led to regulatory investigations at Apple, Google and Amazon, and she has interviewed top executives such as Tim Cook, Sheryl Sandberg and Reed Hastings. She was part of a team at The New York Times that won the Gerald Loeb and George Polk awards for their coverage of Facebook and were finalists for the Pulitzer Prize. Kang frequently appears on national television and radio as a commentator on technology and entertainment. She is passionate about exposing the impacts and implications of technology on society, politics and culture. It was 30 years ago that Kang walked across the stage to collect her Whitman College diploma, earning her degree in English Language and Literature. Following graduation, she pursued a career in journalism. She has worked for the Associated Press-Dow Jones as a Bureau Chief in Seoul, South Korea; as a Staff Writer for The San Jose Mercury; and as a Senior Technology Correspondent at The Washington Post.

Now living in the Washington, D.C., area, Kang has remained deeply connected to Whitman throughout the years. She delivered Whitman's Hosokawa Journalism Lecture in 2011 and returned to campus in 2021 to share insights drawn from her co-authored book "An Ugly Truth: Inside Facebook's Battle for Domination," a New York Times bestseller that exposes the social media giant's role in spreading misinformation, fomenting violence and undermining democracy. Last fall, as part of the Upward Together launch weekend, Kang participated in the panel "Finding Success and Purpose in a Changing World," which was moderated by President Sarah Bolton. Kang currently serves on the President's Advisory Board, leveraging her expertise to support the college's strategic priorities, as well as on the advisory board for the student newspaper, The Whitman Wire.

GRADUATES OF THE CLASS OF 2024

Eleshaday Abebech Amsalu

Ethiopia

Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology with honors
cum laude

Cas Alexander

Seattle, Washington

Art
summa cum laude

Louis B. Perry Student Art Award,
2023, 2024

Daria Aličić

Spokane, Washington

Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology

Jack Allard

Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Computer Science
cum laude

Sam Allen

Lake Oswego, Oregon

History-Environmental Studies
with honors
summa cum laude

Ronald V. Sires-Robert L. Whitner
History Award, 2024
Thomas A. Cronin Award for
Environmental Excellence, 2024

Eleanor Elizabeth Amer

Belmont, Massachusetts

Psychology

Aurora Ellen Anderson

Sammamish, Washington

Chemistry and Economics
magna cum laude

Marleigh Bryne Anderson

Salt Lake City, Utah

English

Claire Elizabeth Andrus

Fort Worth, Texas

Anthropology and Chemistry
with honors in majors
summa cum laude

Lillian Mead Angus

Mountain View, California

Japanese

Louis B. Perry Student Art
Award, 2023

Lise Constance Marie Arrouye

Redmond, Washington

Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology

summa cum laude

Emily Claire Badgley

Durango, Colorado

Biology

Angel Nadia Baikakedi

Gaborone, Botswana

Economics

cum laude

Finola Agnes Bailey

Boise, Idaho

Biology-Environmental Studies
cum laude

Leila Jane Baker

Olympia, Washington

Politics

Marina Balasanyan¹

Walla Walla, Washington

Politics

Nadiia Balbek

Kyiv, Ukraine

Biology

Ousmane Barry¹

Mamou, Guinea

Economics

Seattle-Nantes Sister City Association
Scholarship, 2023

Rebecca Elizabeth Bartig

Brooklyn, Wisconsin

Art

magna cum laude

Louis B. Perry Student Art
Award, 2024

Conor Davis Bartol¹

Kenmore, Washington

Physics-Astronomy

Ruby Zhang Li Beard

Portland, Oregon

Psychology with honors
summa cum laude

Deborah DuNann Winter
Outstanding Psychology Major
Award, 2024

Alissa Grace Berman

Edmonds, Washington

Anthropology with honors
magna cum laude

Haley Anna Bernard

Portland, Oregon

Biology
magna cum laude

Sydney Swicord Bidwell¹

Anchorage, Alaska

Mathematics-Physics

Saki Yamamori Bishop

Bellevue, Washington

Film & Media Studies
with honors
magna cum laude

Sofia Marie Blair

The Dalles, Oregon

Biology

Giacomo Jack Dawson Bocci

Portland, Oregon

Geology with honors
cum laude

Dr. Albert Ripley Leeds Memorial
Prize in Geology, 2024

Evan R. Bowman

Nipomo

Chemistry

¹ Degree will be conferred upon completion of a requirement at present unsatisfied.

² Degree conferred in absentia.

Livvie Lomen Bright
Seattle, Washington
Politics-Environmental Studies
with honors
summa cum laude

Marina Nicole Brogley
Palo Alto, California
Biology
magna cum laude

Piper Brown
Bellingham, Washington
Politics

Anna Claire Buetow
Bellingham, Washington
Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology

Elise Josephine Burgess
Wellfleet, Massachusetts
Film & Media Studies

Qichen Cai¹
Shenzhen, Guangdong, China
Film & Media Studies

Simone Calero
Discovery Bay, Washington
Politics
cum laude

Grace A. Canny
Machias, Maine
Politics with honors
cum laude

Outstanding Seniors in Forensics,
2024
Robert Y. Fluno Award in Politics,
2024

Benjamin Ferus Canty²
Upland, California
Physics-Astronomy
cum laude

Shara Carranza-Ornelas
Milton-Freewater, Oregon
Sociology-Environmental
Studies

Abigael Grace Carron
Boulder, Colorado
Biology-Environmental Studies
cum laude

Jan Mejer Award for Best Science Essay
in Environmental Studies, 2024

Grace Carter
San Marino, California
Economics
cum laude

Kylie Annelise Kido Casper
Boise, Idaho
Economics
summa cum laude

Jan P. Crouter Economics Student
Achievement Award, 2024

Ruoqing Chen¹
Beijing, China
Anthropology-Environmental
Studies

Yidan Chen
Ji'an, Jiangxi, China
Mathematics

Yorng Chhieng Chheng
Siem Reap, Cambodia
Computer Science

Miriam Chisunta Chikwamu¹
Lusaka, Zambia
Mathematics-Statistics

Harshvardhan Chopra
Richmond, British Columbia,
Canada
Geology-Environmental Studies

Britt Christensen
Bremerton, Washington
Psychology

Quinn August Christian
Kirkland, Washington
Biology

Katelyn Hsiangling Chua-Chiaco
Chinese and Psychology

Jander Mitchell Cline
Vancouver, Washington
Sociology

Jessica Coacher
Seattle, Washington
Psychology with honors
magna cum laude

Merry Winter Cockroft
Poulsbo, Washington
English and French &
Francophone Studies with
honors in English
summa cum laude

Colleen Seidelhuber Willoughby
Award for Excellence in Student
Leadership, 2024

Leo Alexander Cohen
Lafayette, California
Politics-Environmental Studies

Mateus Joseph Conaway
Crockett, California
Computer Science

Jennifer Contreras Leal
Panorama City, California
Sociology with honors

Pearl Congleton Cook
Portland, Oregon
English
summa cum laude

Fulbright U.S. Student Program,
English Teaching Assistantship
(South Korea), Alternate, 2024

Bennett Walston Cooper
Boise, Idaho
Music (Jazz)
cum laude

Madeleine Claire Cope¹
Mill Valley, California
Mathematics/Pre-Engineering

Naima Corea Mastroianni
El Pueblo de Nuestra Señora la
Reina de Los Ángeles, California
Philosophy

Michael David Culbert

Economics
cum laude

Shahrom Dehoti

Computer Science
cum laude

Theodor Andres Delmonaco

Corvallis, Oregon
Anthropology-Environmental
Studies

Jai Salil Deshpande

San Carlos, California
Computer Science

Lucy Jane Dickinson

Seattle, Washington
Philosophy
cum laude

Grant Duncan Didway

Oregon City, Oregon
Computer Science

Clare Duan

Hong Kong
Psychology

Executive Council Award for
Outstanding Contribution to
ASWC, 2024

Jensen Mari Liana Dunn

Honolulu, Hawai'i
Biology-Environmental Studies

Rachel Marie Dye

Lexington, Massachusetts
Economics and Sociology-
Environmental Studies
cum laude

Bridget Emmanuelle Essex

Biology

William Walker Falcone¹

Washington
Chemistry-Environmental
Studies

Grace Catherine Fassio

Sammamish, Washington
Physics-Astronomy
cum laude

Aldo Feria

Walla Walla, Washington
Hispanic Studies and Sociology

Dante L. Filippetto¹

English and Indigeneity, Race &
Ethnicity Studies

Charlotte Elizabeth Flannery

Chevy Chase, Maryland
Art History & Visual Culture
Studies and English
cum laude

Fulbright U.S. Student Program,
English Teaching Assistantship
(Cambodia), Alternate, 2024

Clara Louise Fletcher¹

Seattle, Washington
Art History & Visual Culture
Studies

Adelaide Jeanne Foden-Vencil

Portland, Oregon
Mathematics
cum laude

Charles Baker Frank

Politics-Environmental Studies

Teagan John Freda-Cowie

Portland, Oregon
English
cum laude

Victoria Marie Frost

Anacortes, Washington
Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology

Katie Fry

Grand Junction, Colorado
Sociology
cum laude

Eric Jason Gantt¹

Meridian, Idaho
Biology

Jack Walter Garnsey

Denver, Colorado
Mathematics
summa cum laude

Awa Babacar Gaye

Touba, Senegal
Economics and Mathematics-
Statistics
magna cum laude

Evan M Ge¹

Theater

Lindy Elise Gibson

Kirkland, Washington
Psychology with honors
summa cum laude

Joe Gillett¹

Austin, Texas
Physics/Pre-Engineering
magna cum laude

Christian Antonio Gomez

Vancouver, Washington
Computer Science

Josephine Esther Graham

Newton, Massachusetts
Environmental Humanities
magna cum laude

Mia Austin Graham

Oakland, California
Anthropology with honors
summa cum laude

Cameryn Jane Greenough

Corvallis, Oregon
Geology-Environmental Studies
cum laude

Dr. Albert Ripley Leeds Memorial
Prize in Geology, 2024

Anjali Shailendra Gujarati

Bellevue, Washington
Psychology

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² Degree conferred in absentia.

Sueli Bruni Gwiazdowski

San Diego, California
 Rhetoric, Writing & Public
 Discourse with honors
summa cum laude

Heumann-Armstrong Award for
 Education, 2022
 LGBTQ+ Victory Institute
 Fellowship, 2023
 Carnegie Endowment for
 International Peace James C. Gaither
 Junior Fellow, 2024
 Coelho Center for Disability Law,
 Policy, and Innovation Fellow, 2021
 Washington State Champion in After
 Dinner Speaking, 2024

Hannah Dee Hagler

Washington
 Physics-Astronomy

Molly Jean Halverson

Tucson, Arizona
 Computer Science
cum laude

Ayla Asaf Hanafi¹

Los Altos, California
 Art and English

Andrew Mark Hanson

Santa Monica, California
 Economics and Music
 (Performance)

Katherine Maija Brooks Harris

Tacoma, Washington
 English
magna cum laude

Andrew Harter

Liberty Lake, Washington
 Biochemistry, Biophysics &
 Molecular Biology
summa cum laude

Tali Miriam Hastings

Portland, Oregon
 Anthropology-Environmental
 Studies with honors
summa cum laude

Rachel Diane Haughton

Portland, Oregon
 Biology-Environmental Studies
magna cum laude

Chaney Blair Heinbaugh

Aliso Viejo, California
 Psychology with honors
cum laude

Amy Elizabeth Heitstuman

Walla Walla, Washington
 Rhetoric, Writing & Public
 Discourse with honors
cum laude

Clare Nicole Hermanson

San Diego, California
 Chemistry with honors
summa cum laude

Barry Goldwater Scholarship, 2023
 Fulbright U.S. Student Program
 English Teaching Assistantship
 (South Korea), Semi-Finalist, 2024

Holly Adele Hermanson

Bend, Oregon
 Mathematics with honors
summa cum laude

Laura and John Hook Family
 Mathematics Award, 2024
 Presidents Award (Student-Athlete
 Top GPA), 2024

Julien Jordan Hernandez

Biology-Environmental Studies
 | R.V. Borleske Award–Men, 2024

Jessica Hernandez-Luis

Milton-Freewater, Oregon
 Psychology

**Ashley Lindsey Herrera-
Agustiniano**

Seattle, Washington
 Biology

Christopher Michael Hetter

Steilacoom, Washington
 Politics
cum laude

Aidyn Rose Hills

Corbett, Oregon
 Psychology with honors
summa cum laude

Henry Dylan Hines

Santa Rosa, California
 Anthropology with honors
magna cum laude

Joaquin De'Shon Hines

Los Angeles, California
 Philosophy

Kayla Athena Hinnen

Portland, Oregon
 Biology with honors
summa cum laude

Sarah Kleinman Hoffman¹

Minnetonka, Minnesota
 Geology with honors
summa cum laude

Dr. Albert Ripley Leeds Memorial
 Prize in Geology, 2024

Lindsey Kate Honhart

Redmond, Washington
 Economics

Lily Rose Horsburgh¹

Washington
 Physics-Astronomy

Courtney Jade Hull

Erie, Colorado
 Biochemistry, Biophysics &
 Molecular Biology with honors
magna cum laude

Grant Benjamin Hunt¹

Redmond, Washington
 Economics and Religion

Charles G. Hunter

Yarmouth, Maine
 English

Rachel Nicole Husband

Burlington, Washington
 Biology-Environmental Studies
summa cum laude

Zakir Hussain
Karachi, Pakistan
Physics-Astronomy

Thomas Laird Irwin
Tacoma, Washington
Mathematics
cum laude

Kiara Xochilt Isaias-Day
Corvallis, Oregon
Anthropology
magna cum laude

Tejashree Nandinee Balasaheb Jadhav
Pune, Maharashtra, India
Psychology with honors
cum laude

Clay Redick Johnson¹
Brooklyn, New York
Film & Media Studies

Sean Robert Johnson
Tracy, California
Sociology

Zachary Martin Johnson
Brisbane, California
Politics-Environmental Studies

Leonce Paul Kabela
Moshi, Kilimanjaro. Tanzania
Chinese

Oumar V. Kamara¹
Monrovia, Republic of Liberia
Politics

Shintaro Kamura
Setagaya-ku, Tokyo, Japan
Film & Media Studies
cum laude

| Louis B. Perry Student Art
Award, 2022

Joshua Henry Karpatkin^{1,2}
Physics

Mikayla Elizabeth Kelly
The Dalles, Oregon
Biology-Environmental Studies

Nicole Isabelle Kelly
Fox Island, Washington
Psychology-Environmental
Studies
magna cum laude

Astrid Elise Ketcham
Fort Smith, Arkansas
Art

| Executive Council Award for
Outstanding Contribution to
ASWC, 2024

Lucky Thokozone Khoza
Driekoppies, Mpumalanga, South
Africa
Computer Science

Pearl Jinju Kim
Eugene, Oregon
Art and Japanese
summa cum laude

Tessa Kliever-Kerr
Portland, Oregon
Psychology with honors
cum laude

Ross Paul Koller, Jr.
Geneva, Switzerland
History (Global)

Fatima Kowdan¹
Seattle, Washington
Computer Science

Andrew Leif Kuhlken
Austin, Texas
Computer Science with honors
magna cum laude

Nana Kumagai
Tokyo, Japan
Religion with honors
summa cum laude

| Unsung Heroes/Student Affairs
Award of Merit, 2024

Michael John Kuznetsov¹
Moscow, Russia
Psychology

Vincent Kwan
Mercer Island, Washington
Psychology

Isabel Rachel LaBelle
Los Angeles, California
Biology

Jackson Pierce Lancaster
Seattle, Washington
Psychology

Nat Lange
Washington
Politics-Environmental Studies
magna cum laude

| Thomas A. Cronin Award for
Environmental Excellence, 2024

Clara Aidan Leith
Seattle, Washington
Psychology

Ian Sidney Lewis¹
Seattle, Washington
Film & Media Studies

Cheng Li
Changsha City, Hunan Province,
China
Gender Studies

Tori Li
Shanghai, China and Toronto,
Ontario, Canada
Chemistry

| Deberah Simon Award for
Exceptional Service to the
Chemistry Department, 2024

Asta Emilija Liffick
Seattle, Washington
Sociology-Environmental
Studies with honors
summa cum laude

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² Degree conferred in absentia.

Shiding Lin
Shanghai, China
Computer Science

Paloma Rowe Link
Boise, Idaho
Art
summa cum laude

Louis B. Perry Student Art Award,
2023
Robert R. Hosokawa Award for
Journalism Excellence, 2024

Jas Liu
Lake Oswego, Oregon
Chinese and Computer Science
magna cum laude

Winston Cup (Debate), 2023
Outstanding Seniors in
Forensics, 2024

Yufan “Molly” Liu¹
Beijing, China
Physics/Pre-Engineering
magna cum laude

Isabella Bianca Lorenzetti
Austin, Texas
Biology

Naiyah Imani Love
Eugene, Oregon
Biology

Jacqueline Luna¹
Panorama City, California
Anthropology

Zola Wren Lungershausen
Portland, Oregon
Biology

Hanna Bennett Lynch
Fircrest, Washington
Anthropology
summa cum laude

Presidents Award (Student-Athlete
Top GPA), 2024

Teia Bree Magaoay
Tracy, California
Psychology

Jane Lucille Magruder
Great Falls, Virginia
Politics
CIEE Teach in Spain Award, 2024
(declined award for graduate school
offer)
Delta Gamma-Hattie Fry Greek
Leadership Award, 2024

Beck David Maguire¹
Boise, Idaho
Biology

Abigail Marie Main
Kirkland, Washington
Anthropology with honors
summa cum laude

Gabrielle Kirsten Mangahas
Port Orchard, Washington
Biology

Avery Elise Mangel
Shoreline, Washington
Sociology

Ryan Patrick Margolis
Greenbrae, California
Sociology-Environmental
Studies

Nathaniel Allen Martin¹
Houston, Texas
History-Environmental Studies
cum laude

Mackenzie Suzanne Martinez¹
Boise, Idaho
Politics

Tessa Nicole Martinez
Seattle, Washington
Psychology

**Mercedes Darlene Martinez
Anguiano**
Chicago, Illinois
Environmental Humanities

Brandon Martínez Serrano
Mejicanos, San Salvador,
El Salvador
Politics and Psychology with
honors in Politics
Class of 1986 Multicultural Student
Leadership Award, 2024
Robert Y. Fluno Award in Politics, 2024

Zac Masters¹
Fairfax County, Virginia
Astronomy

Jedrek Andrew Matthias¹
Underwood, Washington
Music (Technology &
Production)

Adeshola Elegbeleye Williams Mau
Winnetka, Illinois
Art-Environmental Studies

Meredith Helen McBranch
Los Alamos, New Mexico
Psychology with honors
cum laude

**Odin Cornwall Roscommon
McDermott¹**
Kailua, Hawai'i
Rhetoric, Writing & Public
Discourse and Sociology

Conor Kenny McGreevy
Berkeley, California
Mathematics and Music
(Composition)

Katelyn McGuire
Danville, California
Geology-Astronomy

Erin Elizabeth McKinney
Bozeman, Montana
Biology
cum laude

Mignon Borleske Award-Women, 2024

Paige Miller
Plainville, Connecticut
Psychology

Quinn Erik Miller
Portland, Oregon
Biology and Hispanic Studies

Cynthia Ann Lechner Biology
Prize, 2024

Samuel John Moffitt
Seattle, Washington
Biology and Economics

Jorge Mora Ibarra¹
German Studies

Dante Joseph Morelli
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Economics

Lydia Moriku
Moyo, Uganda
Economics
cum laude

Banyan Rain Moss
Walla Walla, Washington
Theater

Kasey Pearl Moulton
Nampa, Idaho
History (Cultures & Ideas)
with honors
summa cum laude

Winston Cup (Debate), 2022
Forbes-Jacobs Junior History Award,
2023
Outstanding Seniors in Forensics,
2024
Pi Kappa Delta All-American Award,
2024
Ronald V. Sires-Robert L. Whitner
History Award, 2024

Emily Catherine Mowry
Coronado, California
Biology

Josephine Beatrice Munch-Rotolo
Pullman, Washington
Anthropology with honors
summa cum laude

Gemma Gomez Munch^{1,2}
Biology

Silivan Munguarakarama
Lusaka, Zambia
Computer Science

Abigail Lynne Munro¹
Glasgow, Scotland, United
Kingdom
Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology

Erik Benjamin Muro
Walla Walla, Washington
Hispanic Studies

U.S. Department of State, Benjamin
A. Gilman International Scholarship
(Ecuador), 2023

Wamuchii Mwangi^{1,2}
Nairobi, Kenya
Geology

Projects for Peace Award
(Kenya), 2022

Anna Henderson Myles²
Japanese

Sydney Marie Nakayama
Renton, Washington
Philosophy
summa cum laude

William W. Soper Prize in
Philosophy, 2024

Diana Laura Narvaez Vazquez
New Brunswick, New Jersey
Politics

U.S. Department of State, Benjamin
A. Gilman International Scholarship
(Italy), 2023
Russell J. DeRemer Award for
Outstanding Involvement in Student
Services, 2024

Feras Faisal Natsheh
Bethlehem, Palestine
Physics-Astronomy

Thomas Hennessey Nelson
Islamorada, Florida
English

**Jacob Joseph Christopher
Obershaw**¹
San Francisco, California
History (Revolution, War &
Politics)

Olivia Oczkowski
Arlington Heights, Illinois
Biology
summa cum laude

Lauren Elizabeth O'Rourke
Biology with honors
magna cum laude

Jonah Bay Panzer
Tacoma, Washington
Music (Jazz)

Anna Okada Burgess Maberry
Award for Exceptional Performance
Achievement in Music, 2024

Gabriel James Paris-Moe
Seattle, Washington
Computer Science
cum laude

Makenna Lorraine Parsell¹
Langley, Washington
Art

Emily Ann Patz
Aptos, California
Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology
magna cum laude

Ansley Christina Peard
Medford, Oregon
Sociology

Erick Perez-Cuellar¹
Walla Walla, Washington
Psychology

Camryn Marie Pettenger-Willey
Wilsonville, Oregon
Biology with honors
summa cum laude

¹ Degree will be conferred upon completion of a requirement at present unsatisfied.

² Degree conferred in absentia.

Keathley Ann Pinney Brown
Mercer Island, Washington
Sociology-Environmental
Studies with honors
summa cum laude

Diana Claire Plenefisch
Kirkland, Washington
Anthropology with honors
magna cum laude

Soleil Isabelle Ponce de Leon
Ann Arbor, Michigan
Politics-Environmental Studies

Sophie Pothering¹
Kirkland, Washington
Chemistry-Geology

Nishtha Rajbhandari
Kathmandu, Nepal
Economics

Projects for Peace Award
(Nepal), 2023

Charlene Fuying Redder
Biology with honors
summa cum laude

Annalie Rebecca Reed
Moscow, Idaho
Economics and Film & Media
Studies
summa cum laude

Ava Layne Reilly¹
San Francisco, California
Sociology

Broderick McKay Robertson¹
Duvall, Washington
Psychology

Christian Elizabeth Alexi Roch
Louisville, Colorado
Anthropology-Environmental
Studies with honors
magna cum laude

Jan Mejer Award for Best Social
Science Essay in Environmental
Studies, 2024

Lucien Zachary Rochelois¹
Portland, Oregon
Biology

Unsung Heroes/Student Affairs
Award of Merit, 2024

Vanessa Rodriguez
Milton-Freewater, Oregon
Psychology

Nick Rogers
Santa Fe, New Mexico
Anthropology
cum laude

Emilia Rojas
Walla Walla, Washington
Mathematics-Statistics

Edwin Jose Romero
Walla Walla, Washington
Hispanic Studies

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Kirkland, Washington
Biology-Environmental Studies
cum laude

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Seattle, Washington
Embodiment Studies
with honors
summa cum laude

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(Theatre), 2024

Garrett Runyan
Huntington Beach, California
Economics

Jacob Lee Ryerson
Moraga, California
Economics-Environmental
Studies
cum laude

Aziz Šahbazović
Bihac, Bosnia and Herzegovina
German Studies and Music
(Performance)

Myrtle (Melcher) Vinson Memorial
Award in Music, 2024

Luke Thomas Samuels
White Salmon, Washington
Computer Science with honors
summa cum laude

Kirt Sanchez-Rincon¹
Lakewood, Washington
Film & Media Studies

Elise Alexandra Sanders
Seattle, Washington
Classics

Elizabeth Walker Sanders
San Antonio, Texas
Psychology
magna cum laude

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Film & Media Studies

Barbara Saucedo Gonzalez¹
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Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology

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Studies

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Studies
magna cum laude

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German Studies
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Philosophy
cum laude

Julia Tzu-Wei Schillings¹
Los Altos Hills, California
Brain, Behavior & Cognition

Nissa Leor Schlossberg

Eugene, Oregon

Anthropology with honors
magna cum laude| Adam Dublin Award for the Study of
Global Multiculturalism, 2024**Anna Patricia Schreier**

Sebastopol, California

Anthropology-Environmental
Studies and German Studies
with honors in Anthropology-
Environmental Studies
*summa cum laude***Juan Angel Segovia-Cruz**

Walla Walla, Washington

Psychology

Neftali Ruby Segovia-Cruz

Walla Walla, Washington

Psychology

Morgan Russell Sharp

Seattle, Washington

Geology-Environmental Studies
with honors
summa cum laude| Dr. Albert Ripley Leeds Memorial
Prize in Geology, 2024**Leo Larry Shaw**

Twisp, Washington

Film & Media Studies

Liberty Eve Sheckleton

Bozeman, Montana

Geology
summa cum laude| Dr. Albert Ripley Leeds Memorial
Prize in Geology, 2024**Alanna Louise Sherman**

Portland, Oregon

Sociology
cum laude

| Newman Civic Fellowship, 2023

Lhamo Sherpa Bhoté

Kathmandu, Nepal

Psychology

Madeleine Grace Sherry

Bainbridge Island, Washington

Mathematics
summa cum laude| The Senior Math Project
Award, 2024**Pavita Sidhu**

Burnaby, British Columbia,

Canada

English
cum laude| Louis B. Perry Student Art
Award, 2022**Arlo Jorge Smith^{1,2}**

Indianola, Washington

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magna cum laude| Dr. Albert Ripley Leeds Memorial
Prize in Geology, 2024**Ian Smith¹**

Walla Walla, Washington

Theater

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Molecular Biology
cum laude| BBMB, Dr. Robert H. and Joanne C.
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Design with honors
*summa cum laude***Rose Marguerite Sosa¹**

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Logan Vera Spinelli¹

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| Ely Chertok Award in
Sociology, 2024**Alexander Paul Sprenger**

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summa cum laude| James F. Shepherd Award for
Outstanding Economics
Graduate, 2024**Luca Cassani St Goar**

Biology

Coden Kenny Stark¹

Poulsbo, Washington

Computer Science and Geology
with honors in Geology
summa cum laude| Dr. Albert Ripley Leeds Memorial
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Journalism Excellence, 2024**Katelin Sage Stewart**

Danville, California

Psychology with honors
*summa cum laude***Anna E. Stone**

Portland, Oregon

Art and Art History & Visual
Culture Studies
*magna cum laude***Katherine Shay Stoops**Sociology with honors
*magna cum laude***Xayla Chiara Stoppani¹**

Los Angeles, California

Art and Psychology

Christopher Sun

Lake Oswego, Oregon

English and Film & Media
Studies with honors in Film &
Media Studies**Sile Meehan Surman**

Wilmette, Illinois

Psychology with honors
cum laude| Robert R. Hosokawa Award for
Journalism Excellence, 2021¹ Degree will be conferred upon completion of a requirement at present unsatisfied.² Degree conferred in absentia.

Grace Eliora Swan
Fall City, Washington
Economics

Casey Colleen Tait²
English
summa cum laude

Megan Leeanne Taylor
Spokane Valley, Washington
Psychology

Phillip Telgen
Cedar Key, Florida
Chemistry-Geology

Forrest Timmons
Princeton, New Jersey
English
summa cum laude

| Paul J. Jackson Award for Excellence
in Literary Study, 2022

Marharyta Tkachenka
Minsk, Belarus
Biology-Environmental Studies
magna cum laude

| Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's
Degree Scholarship, 2024

Margaret Lee Tookey
Seattle, Washington
Sociology with honors
magna cum laude

Mireina Aziah Trujillo
Forest Grove, Oregon
Biology
cum laude

Irene FY Tsai
California
Japanese, Music (Performance)
and Psychology with honors in
Music (Performance)
cum laude

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Outstanding Contribution to
ASWC, 2024
Myrtle (Melcher) Vinson Memorial
Award in Music, 2024
U.S. Department of State, Critical
Language Scholarship (Japan), 2023

Sandagsuren Ulziikhuu¹
Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
English

**Benny Sousa Pereira Cruz de
Vasconcelos**
San Diego, California
Film & Media Studies
summa cum laude

Shawn Ethan Vinogradsky
Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology and
Philosophy
cum laude

Gena Mae Vitatoe
Seattle, Washington
Art
| Louis B. Perry Student Art Award,
2023, 2024

Genevieve Helena Vogel
Brunswick, Maine
Economics and History (Global)
with honors in History (Global)
magna cum laude

| Robert L. Whitner Junior History
Award, 2023
U.S. Department of State, Benjamin
A. Gilman International Scholarship
(Switzerland), 2023
Ronald V. Sires-Robert L. Whitner
History Award, 2024

Emma Katherine Elizabeth Wait
Greenbrae, California
Economics and Japanese
summa cum laude

Connor James Walker¹
Arcadia, California
Anthropology

William Douglas Wall
Arvada, Colorado
Biochemistry, Biophysics &
Molecular Biology

Ian Carter Walsh
Wenatchee, Washington
Physics-Astronomy

Jake Wang
Tacoma, Washington and
Guangzhou, China
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cum laude

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Salem, Oregon
Politics-Environmental Studies
with honors
summa cum laude

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Interdisciplinary Essay in
Environmental Studies, 2024
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2023, 2024

Logan Thomas Warner¹
Portland, Oregon
Economics

Gabriel Finn Wasserman
Madison, Wisconsin
Sociology-Environmental
Studies with honors
summa cum laude

| Ely Chertok Award in
Sociology, 2024

Maeve Margaret Weeder¹
Jackson, New Hampshire
Sociology-Environmental
Studies with honors
magna cum laude

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China
Psychology with honors
cum laude

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Walnut Creek, California
German Studies and Physics-
Astronomy
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2024

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Middle Eastern Studies
| Robert W. Graham Award
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Savanna Jane Wolverton
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Sociology with honors
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Molecular Biology

William Harro Wulff¹
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Yizhou Xu¹
Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China
Mathematics/Pre-Engineering
summa cum laude
| Sheila Berger Prize in 3-2 Engineering
Award, 2024

Shiqi “Bronco” Yang¹
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Physics/Pre-Engineering
magna cum laude

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Computer Science and
Economics

Yiming Zhang
Hefei, Anhui, China
Psychology
cum laude

Yizhen Zhao
Biology

Zheyun “Lucas” Zheng¹
SuZhou, JiangSu, China
Mathematics/Pre-Engineering
magna cum laude

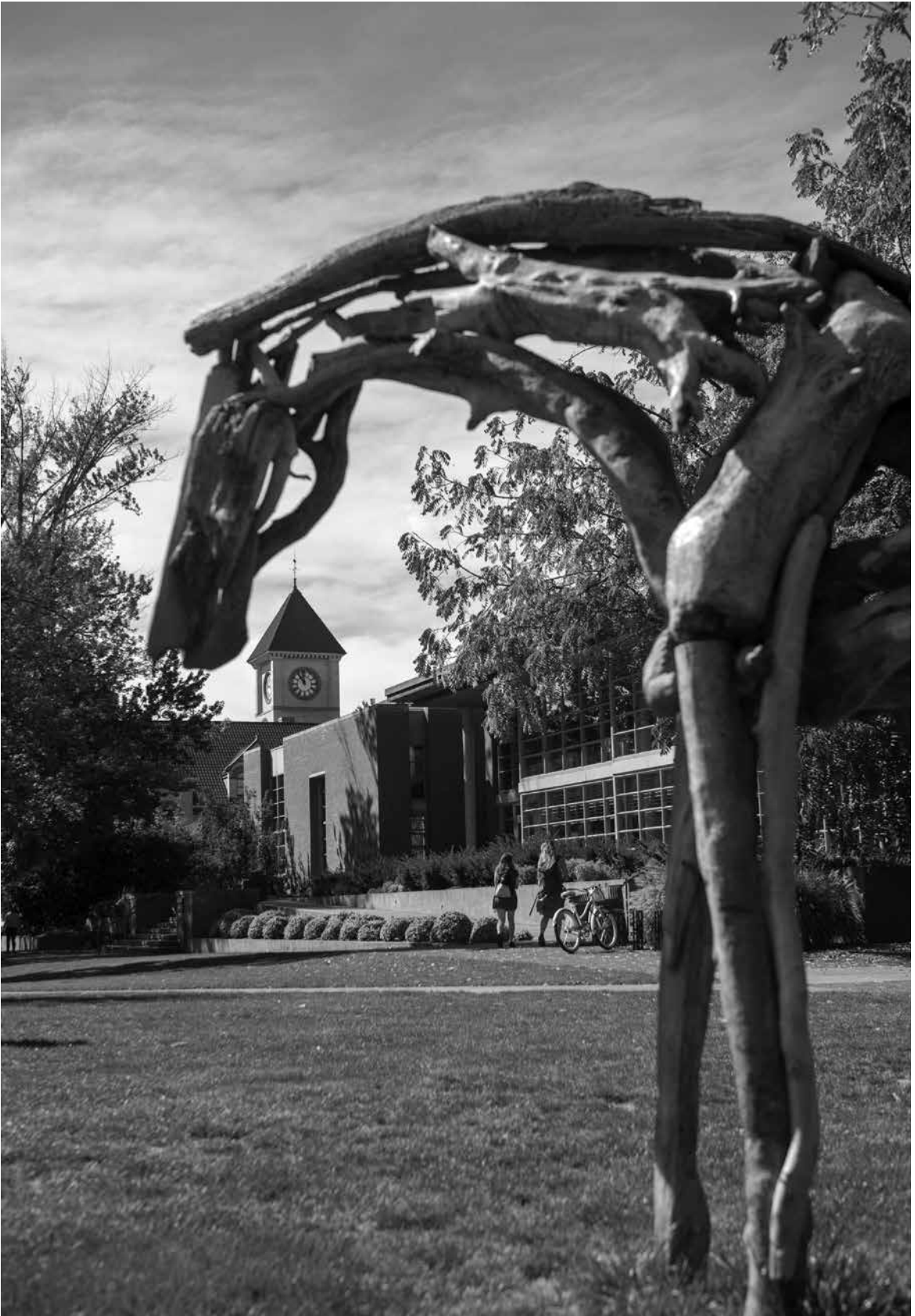
IN MEMORIAM

Arabella “Ella” Grace Carr ’24

On March 5, 2022, Whitman College junior Ella Carr died in an accident while backcountry skiing near Anthony Lakes with fellow students. Ella was an avid outdoorswoman with a love for life who transferred to Whitman and quickly found many kindred spirits. We remember and celebrate her along with today’s graduates.

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² Degree conferred in absentia.



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Joseph C. Davis '80

Joseph C. Davis earned his bachelor's degree in Economics from Whitman College in 1980 and a Master of Business Administration from Harvard University in 1988. He is Senior Partner, Managing Director and Chair Emeritus of Boston Consulting Group North America; Chair of the company's Center for Inclusion and Equity; and a Founding Steering Committee Member of the CEO Action for Diversity and Inclusion. Davis served Whitman as an Overseer from 2004–2014 and joined the Board of Trustees in 2014, becoming Chair in July 2021. Davis comes from a wheat-farming family in Waitsburg, Washington. He and his wife, Sarah Nordholm Davis '80, have four children, including Andrew Davis '18, and eight grandchildren.

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE UMATILLA INDIAN RESERVATION GENERAL COUNCIL SECRETARY



Martina Gordon (ka'poy)

Martina Gordon is an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation. Cayuse, Walla Walla, Nez Perce, Chippewa, Cree. Descendent of Old Chief Joseph (hin-mah-too-yah-lat-kekt, Thunder Rolling Down the Mountains) and Chief Peo Peo Mox Mox (Yellow Bird). Descendent of Frenchtown métis families of the Frenchtown settlement near Walla Walla—Suzanne Cayouse/Dauphin (Duffy), A.P. Woodward, LaRoque, Bonenfant (Bonifer), Pambrun, and Wilson families.

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF THE ORDER OF WAILATPU

The Order of Wailatpu, a Whitman College honor society, was established in 1920. Chosen during their senior year, students are selected for their outstanding scholarship, enterprise, citizenship and service to the college and the community.

Eleshaday Abebech Amsalu
Wyatt Otis Adams
Cas Alexander
Jack Allard
Sam Allen
Eleanor Elizabeth Amer
Aurora Ellen Anderson
Claire Elizabeth Andrus
Lise Constance Marie Arrouye
Angel Nadia Baikakedi
Finola Agnes Bailey
Rebecca Elizabeth Bartig
Conor Davis Bartol
Ruby Zhang Li Beard
Alissa Grace Berman
Haley Anna Bernard
Saki Yamamori Bishop
Livvie Lomen Bright
Marina Nicole Brogley
Simone Calero
Abigael Grace Carron
Kylie Annelise Kido Casper
Jessica Coacher
Merry Winter Cockroft
Pearl Congleton Cook
Bennett Walston Cooper
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Charlotte Elizabeth Flannery
Teagan John Freda-Cowie
Jack Walter Garnsey
Awa Babacar Gaye
Lindy Elise Gibson
Joe Gillett
Josephine Esther Graham
Mia Austin Graham
Sueli Bruni Gwiazdowski
Katherine Maija Brooks Harris
Andrew Harter
Tali Miriam Hastings

Rachel Diane Haughton
Chaney Blair Heinbaugh
Amy Elizabeth Heitstuman
Clare Nicole Hermanson
Holly Adele Hermanson
Christopher Michael Hetter
Aidyn Rose Hills
Henry Dylan Hines
Kayla Athena Hinnen
Sarah Kleinman Hoffman
Courtney Jade Hull
Rachel Nicole Husband
Thomas Laird Irwin
Nicole Isabelle Kelly
Pearl Jinju Kim
Andrew Leif Kuhlken
Nana Kumagai
Nat Lange
Asta Emilija Liffick
Paloma Rowe Link
Jas Liu
Yufan "Molly" Liu
Hanna Bennett Lynch
Abigail Marie Main
Nathaniel Allen Martin
Erin Elizabeth McKinney
Banyan Rain Moss
Kasey Pearl Moulton
Josephine Beatrice Munch-Rotolo
Gemma Gomez Munck
Sydney Marie Nakayama
Olivia Oczkowski
Lauren Elizabeth O'Rourke
Gabriel James Paris-Moe
Emily Ann Patz
Camryn Marie Pettenger-Willey
Keathley Ann Pinney Brown
Diana Claire Plenefisch
Soleil Isabelle Ponce de Leon
Charlene Fuying Redder
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Nissa Leor Schlossberg
Anna Patricia Schreier
Morgan Russell Sharp
Liberty Eve Sheckleton
Alanna Louise Sherman
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Arlo Jorge Smith
Mei Le Smith
Rhys Eliot Sorenson-Graff
Alexander Paul Sprenger
Codan Kenny Stark
Katelin Sage Stewart
Anna E. Stone
Katherine Shay Stoops
Sile Meehan Surman
Casey Colleen Tait
Forrest Timmons
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Benny Sousa Pereira Cruz de
Vasconcelos
Genevieve Helena Vogel
Emma Katherine Elizabeth Wait
Claire Christie Warncke
Gabriel Finn Wasserman
Xueyun "Sherry" Wen
Olivia Harris Wing
Savanna Jane Wolverton
Yizhou Xu
Lily Bowen Cutler Yost
Yiming Zhang
Zheyun "Lucas" Zheng

GRADUATES ELECTED TO PHI BETA KAPPA

Election to Phi Beta Kappa is based on evidence of broad cultural interest and scholarly achievement in the liberal arts and sciences. Students may be named to Phi Beta Kappa as juniors or seniors. Installed in 1920, Whitman's chapter of Phi Beta Kappa is the second oldest in the Pacific Northwest. Fewer than 10% of all colleges and universities in the country have been awarded Phi Beta Kappa chapters.

Sam Allen	Aidyn Rose Hills	Charlene Fuying Redder
Lise Constance Marie Arrouye	Pearl Jinju Kim	Elizabeth Walker Sanders
Ruby Zhang Li Beard	Nana Kumagai	Anna Patricia Schreier
Merry Winter Cockroft	Asta Emilija Liffick	Madeleine Grace Sherry
Sueli Bruni Gwiazdowski	Jas Liu	Katelin Sage Stewart
Tali Miriam Hastings	Josephine Beatrice Munch-Rotolo	Emma Katherine Elizabeth Wait
Clare Nicole Hermanson	Camryn Marie Pettenger-Willey	Olivia Harris Wing
Holly Adele Hermanson	Keathley Ann Pinney Brown	

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF DELTA PHI ALPHA

The National German Honor Society, Delta Phi Alpha, seeks to recognize excellence in the study of German and to provide an incentive for higher scholarship. Members are inducted in order to recognize their achievement in and commitment to studying German language, literature and culture. Whitman's chapter, Sigma Alpha, was founded in 2006.

Clare Nicole Hermanson	Anna Patricia Schreier
Aziz Šahbazović	Madeleine Grace Sherry
Ruth Deming Scherschel	Benjamin Courington Wendlandt

GRADUATING MEMBERS OF THE ORDER OF OMEGA

The Order of Omega is an honorary organization that recognizes sorority & fraternity students who demonstrate excellence in academic, leadership and community service efforts.

Marleigh Bryne Anderson	Madeleine Grace Sherry
Sueli Bruni Gwiazdowski	Mireina Aziah Trujillo

COMMENCEMENT MARSHALS

Based on scholarship and outstanding citizenship, selection as commencement marshals honors members of the junior class.

Tayva Anderson
Lindsey Finocchio
Ellen Haney
Diana Issa

Natalie Lundberg
Megan Marshall
Maddie Sramek
Danny Steinberg

Madeleine Stolp
Megan Radley
Luca Viarengo

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE UMATILLA INDIAN RESERVATION FLAGBEARER

McCoy Hennes '23

INTERPRETERS

American Sign Language

Shanta Corra

Erin Griffin

PHOTOGRAPHY

Whitman College, in conjunction with the Associated Students of Whitman College, is proud to give every senior a complimentary individual and class portrait. To receive their free prints, seniors should complete the registration form at whitman.professionalgradphotos.com. After the ceremony, each degree candidate who registered will be sent a link to their photos. Additional photos from throughout the day will be available to view/purchase within hours after commencement.



CLASS BANNER DESIGNER



Pavita Sidhu '24

Pavita Sidhu is graduating with an English major and Art minor. She has loved the years she spent at Whitman College, thinking back to the rolling wheat fields and sunsets as a highlight of her time here. Sidhu's time at Whitman has impacted her life, and she greatly appreciates the faculty and students she has had the privilege of learning from. She looks forward to continuing her studies at the University of British Columbia in the fall, but will always cherish the memories she has made with her loved ones here in Walla Walla.

SENIOR FUND CHAIRS



Astrid Elise Ketcham '24

Senior Fund Events Chair

Astrid Ketcham is an Art major from Fort Smith, Arkansas. She found Whitman College in the Princeton Review book “100 Best Colleges.” Since then, she has fallen in love with Walla Walla and the Pacific Northwest. She believes that her Whitman education has allowed her to explore her artistic creativity while appreciating the well-rounded liberal arts education that Whitman delivers. During her time at Whitman, Ketcham served as Senior Chair, Whitman Events Board Chair, Stevens Gallery Intern and Social Media Intern. Her post-Whitman endeavors will include furthering her education in the field of medical illustration and art while traveling the country and the world to find her place in it. She is moving to Washington, D.C., to work as a gallery assistant with her best friend Sueli Gwiazdowski '24 and her lovely tripod cat, Honey. Ketcham is thankful for all of the support from peers, faculty and staff at Whitman and is excited to be graduating with such an amazing group of people.



Angel Nadia Baikakedi '24

Senior Fund Philanthropy Chair

Angel Baikakedi is an Economics major from Gaborone, Botswana. While at Whitman, she made her very first and hopefully lifelong connections through involvement with multiple affinity groups, including the Whitman African Student Association, Black Student Union and Global Whitties. Being the Senior Fund Chair has been one of her greatest highlights this year, as not only was she able to learn about the vastness of The Whitman Fund, but she also encouraged her peers to join her in maximizing their impact through giving, thus fostering a culture of paying it forward and supporting the school's philanthropy mission. This position has also allowed Baikakedi to strengthen her community ties, which is one of the leading reasons she came to Whitman College.

THE CLASS OF 2024 SENIOR GIFT

Through the efforts of the Senior Fund Chair and Committee, members of the graduating class have collectively made gifts to support and improve the Whitman community in positive ways. Several areas of the college will benefit from their contributions, including internships, sustainability efforts, scholarships and student aid. The Senior Fund Committee would like to extend their gratitude to the following senior donors who join alumni, families and friends in supporting current and future students with their gifts.

Angel Nadia Baikakedi
Grace Carter
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Awa Babacar Gaye
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Silivan Munguarakarama

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Madeleine Grace Sherry
Riley Jo Schetter
Mei Le Smith
Luca Cassani St Goar

DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AWARDS

Distinguished Faculty Awards honor excellence in teaching, scholarship, mentoring and advising. These awards reflect the highest recognition of Whitman College faculty excellence. All members of the campus community are invited to make nominations.



Arielle Cooley

Faculty Award for Service to the Alumni Association

Arielle Cooley, Associate Professor of Biology and Garrett Fellow, has been a contributor to the lifelong learning of Whitman College alumni since 2015. Presenting lectures both in person and virtually, she has shared the science behind the monkeyflower's blush and painted a picture of undergraduate research in labs across campus. Twice, she has given a week of her spring break to travel with Garrett-Sherwood scholars on their annual alumni networking trip across the country, assisting in building professional networks. The Alumni Association gives Arielle this award in recognition of her collaborative spirit, her generosity with her time and talent, and her contribution to the lifelong learning of our alumni community.



Pat Spencer

George Ball Award for Excellence in Advising

Pat Spencer, the Grace F. Phillips Professor of Geology, began teaching at Whitman in 1984 during the early days of the Geology Department. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology from the University of Washington, a Master of Science degree from Western Washington University, and a doctorate from the University of Washington. Spencer's teaching focus includes courses in Sedimentology and Stratigraphy, Paleobiology, and Earth History, but his heart lies in teaching the geology of the Pacific Northwest to nonmajor and potential Geology major students.



Mark Hendricks

G. Thomas Edwards Award for Excellence in Teaching and Scholarship

Mark Hendricks, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, joined the Whitman faculty in 2018. He teaches courses in general, physical and materials chemistry. Professor Hendricks received his doctorate from the Department of Chemistry at Columbia University in 2015. After graduating, Hendricks was a postdoctoral fellow at Northwestern University. At Whitman his research lab with students is investigating the synthesis of nanocrystalline materials.



Rosie Mueller

Robert Y. Fluno Award for Distinguished Teaching in Social Sciences

Rosie Mueller, Assistant Professor of Economics, began teaching at Whitman in 2018. She holds a Master of Science degree and a doctorate in Economics from University of Oregon. Her research interests include Environmental & Natural Resource Economics, Environmental Health and Environmental Justice. Mueller regularly teaches courses in Microeconomics and Environmental and Natural Resource Economics.



Aarón Aguilar-Ramírez '12

Thomas D. Howells Award for Distinguished Teaching in Humanities and Arts

Aarón Aguilar-Ramírez, Assistant Professor of Hispanic Studies, graduated from Whitman College in 2012 as a Spanish and History major. He joined the Whitman faculty in 2017 after earning his doctorate in Spanish and Portuguese from Northwestern University in Chicago. His research focuses on U.S. Latinx migrant and borderlands narrative.



Jonathan Collins

A.E. Lange Award for Distinguished Science Teaching

Jonathan Collins, Associate Professor of Chemistry, joined the Whitman faculty in 2015. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Allegheny College and a doctorate in Organic Chemistry from Brock University in St. Catharines, Ontario. His research team at Whitman College focuses on the development of new biocatalysts and supporting technologies for the efficient preparation of important small molecules.



Zahi Zalloua

The Suzanne L. Martin Award for Excellence in Mentoring

Zahi Zalloua, the Cushing Eells Professor of Philosophy and Literature, and Professor of Indigeneity, Race, and Ethnicity Studies, has been teaching at Whitman since 2003. He also currently serves as Director of Indigeneity, Race, and Ethnicity Studies among other collegewide services. Zalloua holds an undergraduate degree in Philosophy, master's degrees in Philosophy and French, and a doctorate in French from Princeton University. He is widely published and the editor of *The Comparatist*, a well-established American literary journal.

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When the morn - ing light is break - ing o'er the east - ern moun - tain's rim, and the



world to work is wak - ing, let us sing our hap - py hymn:

Chorus



Here's to the blue sky a - bove us! Here's to the wheat - fields gold!



Here's to the friends that love us! And our love shall ne'er grow cold _____ for



friends and fields and moun - tains un - der heav - en's kind - ly blue, and the



col - lege mid the foun - tains, dear old Whit - man! Here's to you!

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