

# Commencement

SPRING 2024



**ASSOCIATE, BACCALAUREATE, MASTER'S,  
AND DOCTORAL DEGREES**

**PENN STATE HARRISBURG**

Saturday, May 4, 2024

The Giant Center, Hershey, PA

9:30 a.m.



**PennState**

# Congratulations

## Penn State Harrisburg Commencement Spring 2024

It gives me great pleasure to extend my warmest congratulations to you on this special day.

The completion of your studies is significant, and today we recognize the culmination of your efforts and accomplishments. Your hard work, self-determination, and perseverance in achieving this milestone are to be commended.

It is also important that we take a moment to recognize the family, friends, colleagues, partners, and employers who have supported you along the way. They have contributed greatly to your success.

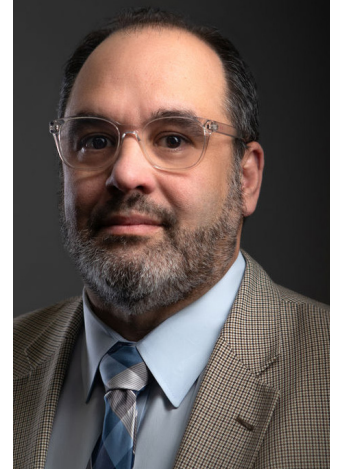
Penn State Harrisburg is committed to providing a rich educational experience through its excellent academic programs, outstanding faculty, and widespread opportunities inside and outside of the classroom. You, as a graduate, are a measure of our success as an institution.

As you move beyond the campus, it is my hope that you remain connected to Penn State Harrisburg, and the entire Penn State community. You are now a member of a distinguished global alumni network, one dedicated to making an impact on the world. I urge you to become active with your alumni network and be proud of your connection to Penn State, just as we are proud of you.

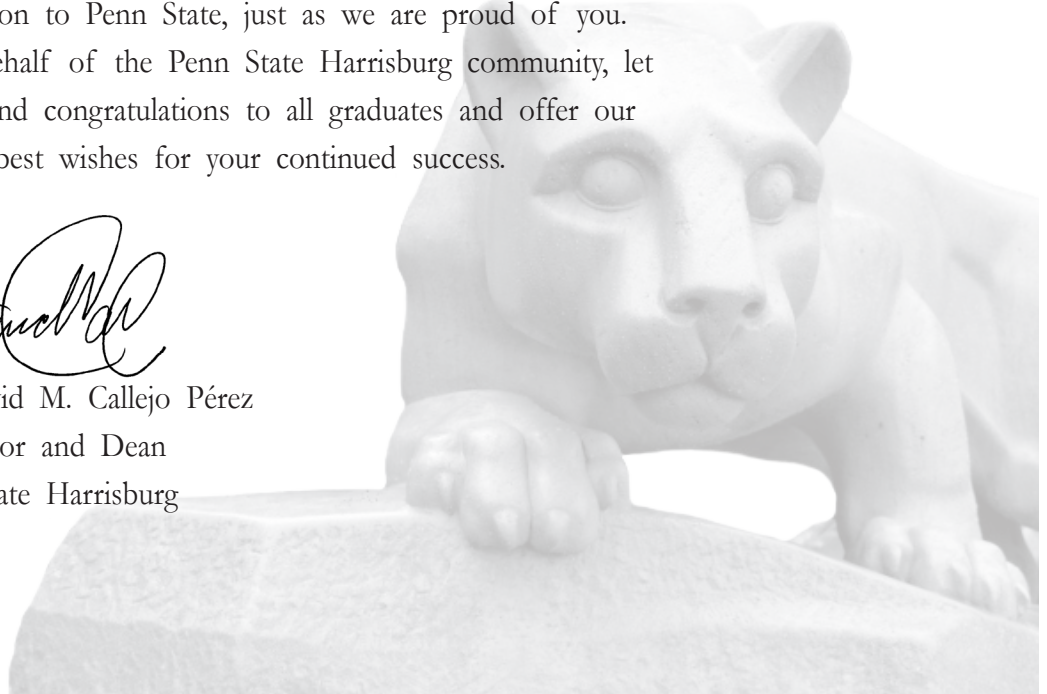
On behalf of the Penn State Harrisburg community, let me extend congratulations to all graduates and offer our sincere best wishes for your continued success.



Dr. David M. Callejo Pérez  
Chancellor and Dean  
Penn State Harrisburg



Dr. David M. Callejo Pérez  
Chancellor and Dean



# Program Notes

**ACADEMIC DRESS:** Academic festivals such as today's commencement exercises have their roots in medieval Europe. Medieval institutions of higher learning were customarily operated by monastic orders, and students, as well as their instructors, wore the habits of monks. In 1321, the University of Coimbra (Portugal) required all bachelors, licentiates (masters), and doctors of theology to wear monastic gowns—the first such injunction recorded. It is still the custom of students and instructors in the ancient universities of the British Isles to wear their gowns, not only to lectures, but also in their daily affairs in such cities as Oxford, Edinburgh, Aberdeen, and St. Andrews (Scotland).

Originally, the hood worn by both those holding master's degrees and those with doctoral degrees was a head covering, the monk's tippet. When caps came into fashion in the fifteenth century, the hoods were draped down and back and ornamented with rich silk or velvet linings and edgings. The cap was first conferred as a symbol of the master's degree and varies greatly in style from institution to institution. Some were stiff, some soft, some square, others round. All were decorated with a tuft at the center. The tassel used today on American "mortarboards" is an elaboration of the tuft. The mortarboard style generally followed throughout the United States was borrowed from Oxford University, where the flat-topped cap is customarily worn by those holding the master of arts degree.

The practice of wearing academic dress dates in the United States from 1754, when King George I chartered King's College (now Columbia University) and translated to the colonies academic regulations from the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge. Colonial colleges, however, rejected the scarlet robes of the English institutions in favor of black, the somber shade preferred by Puritan clergy.

During most of the nineteenth century, American colleges and universities had no standard style of academic dress. Undergraduates wore gowns only rarely during commencement exercises. Many faculty wore the garb of the European institutions where they received their degrees, and many wore robes of their own, often-eccentric design. Only a few faculty wore hoods and mortarboards. These were assumed to be articles of ecclesiastical dress, more appropriate for bishops than professors.

In 1895, a commission of leading American educators, mostly from the Ivy League colleges, was established to devise a standard code of academic dress. It decided, for instance, to adopt black as the standard color for academic robes. Undergraduates were required to wear a simple, unadorned, black robe with a mortarboard and black tassel. Candidates for the degree of master of arts were required to wear a simple robe, except that the sleeves were cut through so that the hands and lower arms could be seen. Holders of the doctorate were to wear full robes with full sleeves. Panels of velvet down the front and chevrons of the same material on the sleeves gave them a more richly ornamented appearance.

The code of 1895 is still in effect, although it was modified slightly in 1935 and again in 1960. Many universities have, under the new rules, adopted colored robes in place of the traditional black. Penn State, for example, now permits its degree holders to wear blue gowns.

The hoods of those receiving graduate degrees vary in shape and size. The larger and more heavily decorated

hood is worn by the holder of the doctoral degree. The trimming around the edge of the hood varies in color and designates the particular discipline of the degree holder. The satin linings in the hoods are customarily drawn from the official colors of the institution from which the degree was received. Penn State degrees are designated by the official blue and white satin linings.

**THE MACE:** An academic custom which originated in the sixteenth century is a part of today's commencement ceremonies. The academic procession is led by the Mace Bearer, carrying the official mace of Penn State Harrisburg, followed by the Commencement Marshal.

Although not as ornate as the first mace presented by Queen Elizabeth I to Oxford University in 1589, this mace probably has greater meaning to the students and faculty at the college than that felt by a similar body at Oxford more than 400 years ago.

Two faculty members and a student of the college designed and made the mace after it was realized that the University mace could not be made available for all occasions. Its design is similar to that of maces used throughout history. It was made by retired faculty members David Kravitz and William K. Aungst.

First used in the June 1973 Harrisburg commencement, it is shaped from solid walnut and was fabricated in Harrisburg's engineering laboratories. One end holds a solid cast aluminum flame which was designed by Rege Wynn Leach. Leach's design was chosen from among others submitted in competition by students enrolled in a humanities course in art technology. The other end is shaped like a crown and is decorated with highly polished Nittany Lions, replicas of the famed shrine located on the University Park campus.

Originally an instrument for battle, the mace also has a fascinating history in academic ceremonies.

Shortly after the British victory over the Spanish Armada in 1588, Queen Elizabeth visited Oxford University. At a special convocation held in her honor, the students pretended to love the queen and, thinking she was unfamiliar with Latin, lavished flattery on her and praised her profusely in Latin. As a gesture of her thanks, she stood and gave an eloquent speech in flawless Latin, at the conclusion of which she presented Oxford with her personal royal mace.

The second record of a mace being presented to a university was in 1629 when King Charles I presented his royal mace to Cambridge. It was customary thereafter in the British Isles and throughout Europe that the mace be used at all academic ceremonial occasions.

The mace came into use in the United States in the nineteenth century when academic ceremonies were becoming more elaborate and were being modeled on European customs.

It is carried in the procession with the device head up, which is symbolic of the University. Once the ceremony is completed and credentials are bestowed upon graduates, the mace is carried with the flame up, symbolizing the recognition of the knowledge they have acquired.

*Prepared by the late James G. McAree, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., Professor of Social Science and History*

## Academic Colors

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctors' gowns, edging of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows:

Program .....Hood Color

### SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

Adult Education..... Light Blue

Applied Behavior Analysis..... Gold

Applied Clinical Psychology..... Gold

Community Psychology and Social Change..... Gold

Teaching and Curriculum..... Light Blue

Health Education ..... Light Blue

Lifelong Learning and Education..... Light Blue

Literacy Education..... White

### SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accounting..... Drab

Business Administration..... Drab

Information Systems ..... Gold

Juris Doctor Information Systems..... Purple

Juris Doctor Business Administration..... Purple

### SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

Communications..... White

American Studies..... White

Humanities ..... White

### SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Homeland Security..... Gold

Criminal Justice..... Purple

Public Administration..... Peacock

Health Administration..... Sage

### SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND TECHNOLOGY

Electrical Engineering..... Orange

Environmental Pollution Control..... Gold

Civil Engineering..... Orange

Computer Science..... Gold

Engineering Management..... Orange

Engineering Science..... Orange

Environmental Engineering..... Gold

# 2024 Spring Commencement

## PRESIDING

David M. Callejo Pérez, Ed.D.  
*Chancellor and Dean*

## PROCESSIONAL

Brass Lions  
Dr. Richard Ammon\*, Euphonium  
Donald Cramer\*, Tuba  
Vaughn Hennessey, Trumpet  
John Ponnett\*, Trombone  
Rev. David Schreffler\*, Trumpet

## WELCOME

Chancellor and Dean Callejo Pérez

## NATIONAL ANTHEM *(Francis Scott Key)*

Christyan Seay\*

## SALUTATION *(D. Douglas Miller)*

Adam Gustafson, Ph.D., *Associate Teaching Professor of Music*

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Norman Bristol Colón\* *Chief Diversity Officer and Director of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, Office of Governor Josh Shapiro*

## GREETINGS

Jennifer Chambers\*, M.D., FACP, *Chair, Penn State Harrisburg Board of Advisers*  
Ashon Calhoun, *Student Speaker*

## RECOGNITION OF MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT

Holly L. Angelique, Ph.D., *Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs*

## PRESENTATION OF UNDERGRADUATE CANDIDATES

Vahid Motevalli, Ph.D., P.E., *Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs*

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Hannah R. Lair, M.A., *Nomenclator*

## PRESENTATION OF GRADUATE CANDIDATES

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*Senior Associate Dean, The Pennsylvania State University Graduate School*

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Trustee Tribeck  
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## INDUCTION INTO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Parul Luthra\*, M.H.A., M.B.A., *President, Penn State Harrisburg Alumni Society*

## CLOSING REMARKS

Chancellor and Dean Callejo Pérez

## ALMA MATER *(Fred Lewis Pattee)*

Christyan Seay

## RECESSIONAL

## Keynote Speaker

NORMAN BRISTOL COLÓN

Norman Bristol Colón is an author and writer, strategist and international speaker, coach and chief diversity officer with a unique knowledge and perspective of Latinos, the nation's largest minority ethnic group.

In 2023, Bristol Colón was appointed by Governor Josh Shapiro as the first Commonwealth Chief Diversity Officer, leading diversity, equity, belonging,

and inclusion programs across Commonwealth agencies. The chief diversity officer partners with cabinet members, senior leaders and employees to continue to build a capable, accessible, and diverse administration that represents all Pennsylvanians. The chief diversity officer develops recruitment, performance management, leadership development, and employee engagement strategies to enhance diversity, equity, belonging, and inclusion in the Commonwealth's workforce and works with department staff to incorporate these priorities into their programs, policies, and decision making.

Bristol Colón was the first appointed chief diversity officer for the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, where he was the principal architect of the agency's diversity, equity, belonging, and inclusion programs.

His extensive career in public service includes serving as executive director of the Governor's Advisory Commission on Latino Affairs, director of Special Projects for the PA Department of State, assistant to the PA Secretary of State, executive director of the Governor's Census 2020 Complete Count Commission, and special assistant to Deputy Secretary for Community Affairs and Economic Development.

Bristol Colón is the founder and president of the Pennsylvania Latino Convention, a comprehensive and inclusive initiative creating the statewide agenda for the more than 1.1 million Latinos in the state, covering business and entrepreneurship, education, health, housing, social justice, politics, the environment, civil rights, immigration, workforce training, and leadership/professional development.

He is recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, including Pennsylvania Person of the Year by Talk Magazine, Torch of Global Enlightenment Award by the World Affairs Council of Harrisburg, Most Influential Latino, JP McCaskey Distinguished Alumni Award, HEP/CAMP National Distinguished Alumni Award, PA Latino Gran Diamante Award, Central Penn Business Journal's 40 Under 40, and Who's Who 100 Most Influential Latinos in Pennsylvania.

Bristol Colón is a proud resident of Lancaster County and graduate of Penn State, where he served in numerous student leadership organizations. Born in Guayama, Puerto Rico, he credits his rural island upbringing for his unwavering tenacity, inclusive approach and perseverant spirit.



# The Pennsylvania State University

From agricultural college to world-class learning community, Penn State's story is rooted in a mission of teaching, research, and public service. The mission seemed simple in 1855, when the Commonwealth chartered the school at the request of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society. The goal was to apply scientific principles to farming, a radical departure from traditional higher education, which emphasized mathematics, rhetoric, and classical languages.

Centre County was chosen as the site for the new college after Bellefonte agriculturalist and ironmaster James Irvin gave 200 acres for a campus. Founding President Evan Pugh drew on the scientific education he received in Europe to plan a curriculum combining hands-on training with theoretical studies. Penn State assumed a broader mission in 1863, when it became the Commonwealth's only land-grant institution. Congress created a system of land-grant colleges and universities to foster education not only in agriculture, but in engineering and other academic disciplines that had practical value to a nation that was rapidly industrializing. Later, land-grant institutions were also required to disseminate knowledge for the public good – the foundation of Penn State's research and public service or outreach missions.

Penn State admitted its first female undergraduates in 1871, and graduated its first international student in 1890 and first African American student in 1905. By the 1930s, it was the Commonwealth's largest conferrer of baccalaureate degrees. During that same decade the University confronted the Great Depression by establishing the first of a statewide system of campuses, offering a college education to students who were location-bound for economic reasons. Penn State now has 24 campuses, including undergraduate locations and special-mission campuses such as Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and Penn State Dickinson Law.

Today, Penn State awards more associate, baccalaureate, and graduate degrees than any other institution in the Commonwealth. Its outreach and research programs rank among the nation's top ten. Graduates of the University join a family of some 673,000 alumni. The Penn State Alumni Association – the largest dues-paying organization of its kind – helps Penn Staters stay connected with each other and the University through a powerful network of more than 300 chapters and other affiliated groups in all 50 states and more than 40 foreign countries.

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# Penn State Harrisburg

Penn State Harrisburg is an undergraduate college and graduate school serving the south central Pennsylvania region, which includes the Commonwealth's capital city, Harrisburg.

The diversity of the student body creates a unique campus experience. A broader set of social and professional interests is apparent on campus, with various age groups, career professionals, and traditional-aged students sharing thoughts, ideas, and experiences in classes, at seminars, and socially.

Students are encouraged to explore various academic offerings and to develop a capacity for independent judgment, cross-cultural understanding, and lifelong learning that will prepare them for responsible and productive citizenship in a global society.

Penn State Harrisburg offers more than 75 associate, baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral programs, and the first two years of study leading to more than 200 Penn State undergraduate majors.

Research and scholarly activity at Penn State Harrisburg is pursued by faculty and students in all five academic schools and numerous research centers and institutes. This work spans several broad areas of strength and is deeply connected to the needs of our region. Examples include public policy research in partnership with state and local governments, business administration and engineering research with area industry, and biomedical and behavioral health research with area healthcare providers, among many others.

Since its creation, the college has grown considerably in the size and diversity of its student body and its breadth of academic offerings. To support this growth and to ensure the quality of students' educational experience, the college has undertaken numerous campus building initiatives. The newest is the Student Enrichment Center, which houses comprehensive services for students in a central location. In recent years, the college also has added state-of-the-art engineering and other laboratories, expanded athletic facilities, and student housing.

While contributing to the region through educational programs, research, and public service, the college looks to the community for support of its mission. Key among the groups to whom the college turns for counsel and support are the Board of Advisers, the advisory councils for the academic schools, and the Alumni Society Board of Directors.

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# Graduation with Honors

Honors at graduation is awarded to baccalaureate degree candidates with at least 60 credits (30 credits for associate degree candidates) earned at Penn State, a minimum 3.5 cumulative grade point average, and who are in the top 12 percent of the graduating class of the college that awards the candidate's degree. The 12 percent is divided into two percent SUMMA CUM LAUDE (blue and white cord), four percent MAGNA CUM LAUDE (blue cord), and six percent CUM LAUDE (white cord).

## Summa Cum Laude

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Conner Breitenbach <i>Finance</i>	Laura E. Grate <i>Accounting</i>	Olivia R. Lowe <i>Mechanical Engineering</i>	Kimberly M. Ulishney <i>Mechanical Engineering</i>
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Ashon A. Calhoun <i>Communications</i>	Tracy D. Kinzer <i>Civil Engineering</i>	Tyler J. Milsop <i>Finance</i>	
Declan T. Cudahy <i>Finance</i>	Matthew Kiral <i>Psychology</i>	Isha Poudel <i>Health Policy and Administration</i>	
Corinna M. Dienner <i>Elementary Education</i>	Alex Z. Li <i>Computer Science</i>	Caleb A. Shoemaker <i>Mechanical Engineering</i>	

## Magna Cum Laude

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Maryam Ahmad <i>Accounting</i>	Peter C. Dizor <i>Computer Science</i>	Dhruv T. Kayastha <i>Biology</i>	Mark S. Peschel <i>Computer Science</i>
Alexander E. Arensdorf <i>Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations</i>	Hannah S. Garland <i>Communication Sciences and Disorders</i>	Janai A. Lockhart <i>Elementary Education</i>	Kassandra R. Schuyler <i>Sociology</i>
Hannah Arnold <i>Elementary Education</i>	Cayla M. Garman <i>English</i>	Cristina M. Medina-Rosado <i>Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations</i>	Ryan S. Smith <i>English</i>
Jason Buszinski <i>Accounting</i>	Mason L. Gibble <i>Mechanical Engineering</i>	Emma M. Musser <i>Elementary Education</i>	Kathryn G. Sweinhart <i>Elementary Education</i>
Michael Cieslak <i>Electrical Engineering</i>	Lauren E. Hess <i>Civil Engineering</i>	Krish A. Nair <i>Computer Science</i>	Lejla Tihic <i>Elementary Education</i>
Kayla M. Clare <i>American Studies, Political Science</i>	Gregory Jacobs <i>Kinesiology</i>	Kole D. Ney <i>Civil Engineering</i>	Sarah E. Toche-Manley <i>Criminal Justice, Sociology</i>
Casey J. Detwiler <i>Computer Science</i>	Tyler L. Jordan <i>Finance</i>	Amy E. Patkos <i>Elementary Education</i>	Michaela Todaro <i>Elementary Education</i>

## Cum Laude

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Megan E. Askew <i>Criminal Justice</i>	Jaylan A. Cockley <i>Mechanical Engineering</i>	Collin A. Lumley <i>Security and Risk Analysis</i>	William A. Simmons <i>Political Science</i>
Kanisha Bhavnani <i>Criminal Justice</i>	Alysha E. Garrity <i>Psychology</i>	Kelsie Lynch <i>Marketing</i>	Abrielle L. Weger <i>Marketing</i>
Angad S. Bhullar <i>Political Science, Psychology</i>	Carolina S. Hernandez <i>Psychology</i>	Sebastian Metzgar <i>Electrical Engineering</i>	Jacob W. Weiland <i>Secondary Education Social Studies</i>
Colby A. Blakeman <i>Secondary Education Social Studies</i>	Asia A. Lam <i>Criminal Justice</i>	Joahlana A. Najunas <i>Marketing</i>	Jonathan D. Yeckley <i>Finance</i>
Kyla M. Brossoit <i>Biology</i>	Moises A. Larregui <i>Biology</i>	Andrew Ou <i>Information Systems</i>	
Kathryn R. Brown <i>English</i>	Chase J. Leach <i>Mechanical Engineering</i>	Marie T. Pittman <i>Criminal Justice</i>	
Tianjie Chen <i>Computer Science</i>	Aleksa E. Ley <i>Communication Sciences and Disorders</i>	Megan Ready <i>Secondary Education Social Studies</i>	

In American higher education, cum laude, magna cum laude, and summa cum laude honors are unique to undergraduate education. This unofficial list of Spring 2024 graduates earning honors was produced on February 21, 2024 and may change as final grades are submitted for the semester.

## Military Honor Cords

All graduating students who are military veterans, currently serving on active duty, in the reserve, or National Guard, or who will be granted a commission obtained through Penn State Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) receive a red, white and blue cord to wear with approved academic dress at commencement ceremonies.

## National Honor Societies

Members of nationally-recognized honor societies, who achieved their membership as a Penn State Harrisburg student, are permitted to wear ornamentation during the ceremony in the form of cords and/or pins.

Penn State Harrisburg currently has eleven honor societies that award honor cords for service or leadership:

**Alpha Lambda Omicron (political science, government, international and public affairs)**, which awards a double cord of red and white;

**Alpha Phi Sigma (Criminal Justice)**, which awards a blue and gold braided cord;

**Beta Gamma Sigma (Business)**, which awards a royal blue and gold braided cord with the Beta Gamma Sigma key on one tassel;

**Chi Alpha Sigma (excellence in academics and athletics)**, which awards a double cord of gold and black;

**Kappa Delta Pi (Education)**, which awards a purple cord;

**Mu Kappa Tau (Marketing)**, which awards a double cord of navy blue;

**Omicron Sigma Sigma (homeland security, intelligence, emergency management and protective security)**, which awards cords of blue and gold;

**Phi Kappa Phi (excellence in all academic disciplines)** which awards a gold satin stole, braided navy and gold cords, and a medallion.

**Pi Alpha Alpha (Master of Public Administration and Undergraduate Public Policy)**, which awards a blue and gold braided cord;

**Psi Chi (Psychology)**, which awards a pin and platinum and blue cord;

**Sigma Tau Delta (English)**, which awards red and black cords;

**Upsilon Phi Delta (Health Administration)**, which awards a double cord of royal blue and red; and

**Upsilon Pi Epsilon (computer science, cybersecurity analytics and operations, human-centered design and development, information systems, information sciences and technology, and security and risk analysis)**, which awards a double braided cord of maroon and white.

# Honors Programs

## Schreyer Honors College

The following have completed the requirements of the Schreyer Honors College, including the completion of an honors thesis or capstone project. Schreyer graduates are adorned with the Scholars Medal.

Maria Hernandez  
*Health Policy and Administration*

Kenya-Aonye Mitchell  
*Mathematical Sciences*

## Capital College Honors Program

The following have completed the requirements of the Capital College Honors Program, including the completion of an honors thesis or capstone project. Graduates are adorned with a gold honors stole.

Carolina Hernandez  
*Psychology*

Anna Shank  
*Marketing*

Moises Larregui  
*Biology*

Gabrielle Zeigler  
*Communication Sciences and Disorders*

Hannah Odom  
*Mathematical Sciences*  
*Secondary Education Option*

# Marshals for the Academic Schools

## Spring 2024

### School of Behavioral Sciences and Education

Student: Greg Jacobs  
B.S. Kinesiology  
Faculty: Rebecca Mallinson, Ph.D. and  
Laura Heisick, Ph.D.

### School of Business Administration

Student: Conner Breitenbach  
B.S. Finance  
Faculty: Indrit Hoxha, Ph.D. and  
Zeliha Ozdogan, Ph.D.

### School of Humanities

Student: Ashon Calhoun  
B.A. Communications  
Faculty: Amy Sauertieg, M.A., and  
Yonatan Tewelde, Ph.D.

### School of Public Affairs

Student: Kayla Clare  
B.A. Political Science;  
B.A. American Studies  
Faculty: Daniel J. Mallinson, Ph.D. and  
Seth Robert Wright, Ph.D.

### School of Science, Engineering, and Technology

Student: Tracy Kinzer  
B.S. Civil Engineering  
Faculty: Grady F. Mathews, Ph.D. and  
Shashi Marikunte, Ph.D.

### Graduate Studies

Student: Sukaynah A. Al Haji  
M.S. Information Systems  
Faculty: Roderick Lee, Ph.D. and  
Teng Zhang, Ph.D.

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CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATE DEGREES

## CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATE AND BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

### SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

#### BACHELOR OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

##### ■ Major in Elementary Education

Hannah Arnold  
Madison L. Baumgardner  
Benjamin L. Blumenthal  
Domenique Colon  
Hunter M. Davies  
Corinna M. Dienner  
Sarah M. Gerbig  
Dachan Gurung  
Chandler R. Heiple  
Olivia G. Hitz  
Allison T. Hoch-Weiss  
Madison L. Ingram  
David M. Keller  
Binita Lamichhane  
Janai A. Lockhart  
Emma M. Musser  
Amy E. Patkos  
Olivia Richardson  
Emilee L. Schell  
Kathryn G. Sweinhart  
Lejla Tihic  
Michaela Todaro  
Lauryn M. Wentzel

#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

##### ■ Major in Biobehavioral Health

Jillian Mowry  
Steven M. Negron-Candelario  
Nina M. Ocasio  
Concurrent Degree: B.S. Psychology  
Mary Ragi  
Dina F. Tangan  
Hayden A. Tencza

##### ■ Major in Human Development and Family Studies

Hala Bhatti  
Alyssa L. Brubaker  
Grace Cole  
Dayana Contreras Martinez  
Allison M. Sweger  
Megan D. Tripp  
Tyliyah J. Vereen

##### ■ Major in Kinesiology

Sarah G. Crawford  
Julia G. Davis  
Gregory Jacobs  
Fausto Olivares  
Ciani L. Redd-Howard  
Marc J. Rodgers  
Cameron Scholl  
Madeline G. Sparks  
Alec Stonesifer  
John W. Tyson  
Kyla A. Wise

##### ■ Major in Psychology

Mercedes L. Fleeger  
Alysha E. Garrity  
Olivia Hawkins  
Carolina S. Hernandez  
Tayla J. Jones  
Matthew Kiral  
Maddux Ryan  
Omar J. Soltero De Martin  
Olivia Wagner

##### ■ Major in Sociology

Kassandra R. Schuyler

#### BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

##### ■ Major in Secondary Education Social Studies

Brooke A. Berkheimer  
Colby A. Blakeman  
Joseph D. Carpenter  
Logan B. Grazuties  
Ty G. Lohr  
Megan Ready  
John E. Warfel  
Jacob W. Weiland

#### CERTIFICATE IN CAREER STUDIES PROGRAM

Tartil N. Jaigirdar  
Jenna S. Kornreich  
Abigail Krevsky  
Patrick J. Matteson\*  
Tyler S. Smyers  
Camar Wells  
Tyler A. Zahos\*

### SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

#### ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

##### ■ Major in Business Administration

Makayla L. Gesell

#### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

##### ■ Major in Accounting

Maryam Ahmad  
Josie A. Brown  
Jason Buszinski  
William A. Canant  
Malinee Chaloesmaen  
Jalil T. Clayton  
Timothy M. Crowley  
Melissa V. Cunarro  
Jenna E. Darrin  
Iliana M. Diaz  
Michael Dougherty  
Edwin Ferreras  
Margaret E. Flatray  
Rozlin C. Gasque  
Nestly I. George  
Anthony J. Grahm  
Laura E. Grate  
Julian N. Gutierrez  
Sabur N. Jamshedov  
Gabriel Jezierski  
Cynthia L. Kemikli  
Stephen S. Keriakes  
Madissen K. King  
Melissa S. Krygier  
Anthony J. Lozoya  
Michiyo M. Margraf  
Nikki J. Neafsey  
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Maria F. Rodriguez Cue  
Audrey E. Ryder  
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Sam E. Sharp  
Jacob S. Shoop  
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Nicholas Williamson  
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## ■ Major in Cybersecurity Analytics and Operations

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Anna L. Braund  
Bibek Ghimire  
Cristina M. Medina-Rosado  
Lam Nguyen  
Frederick Riedel

## ■ Major in Finance

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Conner Breitenbach  
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Justin L. Emanuel  
Connor S. Flynn  
Sombe Wendin Gislain Parfait Gansore  
Tyler L. Jordan  
Rezna H. Mahmoud  
Tyler J. Milsop  
Brandon M. Moore  
Jesse Panek  
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Camden C. Shaffer  
Urja K. Shah  
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Aaron J. Taylor  
Andrew V. Voltz  
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## ■ Major in Human Capital Management

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Benjamin D. Murray

## ■ Major in Human-Centered Design and Development

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Jacob Radogna  
Joshua J. Titus

## ■ Major in Information Sciences and Technology

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Tanish S. Mahamuni  
Kellen McLendon  
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## ■ Major in Information Systems

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Sarmila Poudel  
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## ■ Major in Management

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Jocelyn Long  
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Concurrent Degree: B.S. Marketing  
Chadava Tarun Reddy  
Concurrent Degree: B.S. Marketing  
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## ■ Major in Marketing

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Payton R. Fogarty  
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Justin D. Henson  
Kainath Ilyas  
Jeffrey Jones  
Kelsie Lynch  
Kevin L. Mcpherson  
Brian L. Nguyen  
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Anna M. Ortiz  
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## ■ Major in Project and Supply Chain Management

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Mason A. Henne  
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## ■ Major in Security and Risk Analysis

Durga Dahal  
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## SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

### ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

#### ■ Major in Multidisciplinary Studies

Liza W. Dancy  
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### BACHELOR OF ARTS

#### ■ Major in American Studies

Ty R. Fackler

#### ■ Major in Communications

Zachary R. Bloor  
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#### ■ Major in Humanities

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### BACHELOR OF HUMANITIES

#### ■ Major in English

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Kaitlyn V. Klein  
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## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

### ■ Major in Communication Sciences and Disorders

Vincent Sly Condes  
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Aleksa E. Ley  
Shaina Perry  
Melody S. Slajchert  
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Gabrielle R. Ziegler

## SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

## ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

### ■ Major in Criminal Justice

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## BACHELOR OF ARTS

### ■ Major in Political Science

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Concurrent Degree: B.A. American Studies  
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## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

### ■ Major in Criminal Justice

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Concurrent Degree: B.S. Sociology

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### ■ Major in Health Policy and Administration

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### ■ Major in Public Policy

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## SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND TECHNOLOGY

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

### ■ Major in Biology

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### ■ Major in Civil Engineering

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### ■ Major in Computer Science

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Mark S. Peschel

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Colin J. Siegel  
Michael Villalona Nunez  
Benjamin Westhafer

### ■ Major in Mathematical Sciences

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Hannah Odom

### ■ Major in Mechanical Engineering

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Huy Bach  
Yash A. Bhosle  
Steven T. Caldwell  
James M. Devereux  
Abdalla w. Elsout  
Anthony Gianguzi  
Mason L. Gibble  
Logan T. Hubbard  
Benjamin M. Jessep  
Braden Karlberg  
Sivasurya Karthikeyan  
Derek J. Kern  
Taehan Kim  
Logan Kleppinger

Chase J. Leach  
Carlos A. Lopez Erazo  
Olivia R. Lowe  
Gianni E. Lumadue  
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Som Mongar  
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Bryan Obeng  
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Mohammed K. Sakayl  
Caleb A. Shoemaker  
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Joseph T. Spear  
Francisco Tejada  
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Maximillian X. Valentine  
Kayla M. Vohra  
Colin Witmer  
Jae Young Yang  
Hamza Zaman  
Shannon L. Zehner

### ■ Major in Mechanical Engineering Technology

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David S. Harris  
Mark Le  
John P. Matthews  
Elijah A. Padulese

### ■ Major in Science

Jordan S. English  
Chelsy Sippora B. Funebe  
Rafi Islam

### ■ Major in Structural Design and Construction Engineering

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Andrew R. Brown  
John A. Forte  
Matthew P. Gerheart  
Tyler G. Gigliotti  
Douglas H. Rubin  
Terrence G. Tompkins  
Peter A. Wojcik

## PENN STATE ERIE, THE BEHREND COLLEGE

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

#### ■ Major in Finance

Kristyn M. Gwozdecki

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND ARCHITECTURE, UNIVERSITY PARK

### BACHELOR OF DESIGN

#### ■ Major in Digital Multimedia Design

Nardos M. Bizunch

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, UNIVERSITY PARK

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

#### ■ Major in Human Development and Family Studies

David E. Kern Jr.

## COLLEGE OF INFORMATION SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY, UNIVERSITY PARK

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

#### ■ Major in Information Sciences and Technology

Eyaal M. Thabateh

## CANDIDATES FOR MASTER'S DEGREES

### SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

### MASTER OF ARTS

#### ■ Major in Applied Behavior Analysis

Gina L. Curtis  
Emily Hinson  
Cameryn E. Padron  
Nicole F. Seacord

## ■ Major in Applied Clinical Psychology

Katherine R. Braund

## MASTER OF EDUCATION

### ■ Major in Lifelong Learning and Adult Education

Kathleen Salisbury  
Samantha Sefick

### ■ Major in Literacy Education

Jenna N. Beam  
Madison J. Shaw  
Kathleen Shea  
Kaitlyn M. Starkey  
Rebecca A. Walseman  
Emily M. Yu

### ■ Major in Teaching and Curriculum

Dara M. Boden  
Holly R. Moyer  
Abigail N. Portko  
Rebecca K. Rosten  
Madison K. Spagnola

## SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

## MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### ■ Major in Business Administration

Victoria Braccini

Concurrent Degree: J.D. Law Dickinson Law

Gwenda S. Burkholder

Amy E. Corbett

Corey R. Duesler

Madeleine Kuhns-Baione

Concurrent Degree: J.D. Law Dickinson Law

Luke M. Myers

Concurrent Degrees: B.S. Biology, B.S. Finance

Joahlana A. Najunas

Concurrent Degree: B.S. Marketing

Roseline Akosua Nyantakyi

Tingyuan Qiu

Nicholas P. Rhoads

James W. Souders

Marti L. Speck

Tara L. Valent

Ryan Wilson

## MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING

### ■ Major in Accounting

Ann Francone

Jodie Golier

Kyle P. Jeffries

## MASTER OF SCIENCE

### ■ Major in Information Systems

Sukaynah A. Al Haji

Shujun Cai

Janvi J. Desai

Thomas E. Kennedy

Adam Lenker

Chandra Shekhar Niredi

Siddharth Panasa

Purav Patel\*

Pavani Sunku

## SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

## MASTER OF ARTS

### ■ Major in American Studies

Timothy S. Swartz

### ■ Major in Communications

Laura M. Gifford

Aaditya Krishnamurthy

## SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

## MASTER OF ARTS

### ■ Major in Criminal Justice

Joshua T. Ballard\*

Mikia Crawford

Upama Khatiwoda

Angela Maschuck

## MASTER OF HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

### ■ Major in Health Administration

Marlayna L. Bowers

Neelma Dawood

Alea S. Shakil

Dhaka R. Subedi

Rifat Sultana

## MASTER OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

### ■ Major in Homeland Security

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O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming;  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly, streaming?  
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air  
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.  
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

## Alma Mater

*by Fred Lewis Pattee*

For the glory of old State,  
For her founders strong and great,  
For the future that we wait,  
Raise the song, raise the song,

Sing our love and loyalty,  
Sing our hopes that bright and free,  
Rest, O Mother dear, with thee.  
All with thee, all with thee.

When we stood at childhood's gate,  
Shapeless in the hands of fate,  
Thou didst mold us, dear old State,  
Dear old State, dear old State.

May no act of ours bring shame,  
To one heart that loves thy name,  
May our lives but swell thy fame,  
Dear old State, dear old State.