

PENN STATE HARRISBURG

YEAR-END CELEBRATION



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2026

RETIREMENTS

This list includes employees who are eligible for retirement in accordance with Penn State Policy HR54 and who have provided formal notice of their intent to retire by April 6, 2026.

Sherry Bancroft.....	1996	Michael O'Donnell.....	2010
Jerry Crosson	2000	Linda Rhen	2010
Darlene Gratkowski	1988	AB Shafaye	1986
Jesse Middaugh	2001		

25-YEAR SERVICE CHAIR

Sedig Agili	Raffy Luquis
Maryellen Higgins	Jesse Middaugh
Charles Kupfer	Şenel Poyrazli
Erik Li	J. Mitchell Spear

AWARDS

**Chancellor's Award for
Distinguished Achievement**
Indrit Hoxha, Ph.D.

Student Impact Award
Aimee Wheeler

Community Impact Award
Counseling and Psychological
Services Team
Eileen Haase, Ph.D.,
Ashley Boles-Riley, Ph.D.,
Eric Holmes, Sainab Jire,
Reynold Joseph, Nahed Khalil,
Morgan Levan, Davin Rowe,
Heather Smith, Heather Wright

Research Excellence Award
Stephanie Winkeljohn Black, Ph.D.

Teaching Excellence Award
Laura Feibush, Ph.D.

Inclusive Excellence Award
Maria Enriquez, Ph.D.

Outstanding Performance Award
Rebecca Mallinson, Ph.D.

EXTERNAL AWARDS

List current as of April 6, 2026

2025-2026 EDGE Faculty Awards

Penn State Global

Ana Patricia Aguilera Hermida, D.Ed.

Outstanding Service Award

The Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity,

Penn State University

Ashley Boles-Riley, Ph.D.

Penn State Distinguished Professor

Shirley Clark, Ph.D.

Moxie Award

Technology Council of Central Pennsylvania

2025 Annual Women in Technology Awards

Shirley Clark, Ph.D.

Gold Medal and Third-place overall ranking

National Association of College and

University Food Services (NACUFS)

Emily Getz

Craig L. Brians Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research and Mentorship Political Science Education Section of the American Political Science Association

Daniel Mallinson, Ph.D.

Editors' Choice Best Paper Award

Review of Policy Research

Daniel Mallinson, Ph.D. (with Pedro Robles)

McKay Donkin Award

The Pennsylvania State University

Rebecca Mallinson, Ph.D.

Best Reviewer Award

Eastern Academy of Management

David Morand, Ph.D.

Lifetime Achievement Award

American Society for Public Administration

Keystone Chapter

Göktuğ Morçöl, Ph.D.

Women in Tech Ally Award

Technology Council of Central Pennsylvania

2025 Annual Women in Technology Awards

Vahid Movetalli, Ph.D.

Best Overall Conference Paper Award 2026 Northeast Decision Sciences Institute (NEDSI)

Dinesh Pai, Ph.D.

and

Piyal Sarkar, Ph.D.

2025 Teacher Educator of the Year

The Pennsylvania Association of College

and Teacher Educators (PAC-TE)

Linda Rhen, Ph.D.

Child's Right to Play Award

The International Play Association

in Kentucky

Tugce B. Arda Tuncdemir, Ph.D.

2025 Purple Ribbon Award for Youth Initiative and the Outstanding Community

Presentation or Education Award

DomesticShelters.org

Maria Turkson, Ph.D.

2026 Faculty Scholar Medals for

Outstanding Achievement

The Pennsylvania State University

David Witwer, Ph.D.



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