

HONORS CONVOCATION

Virtual Program April 21, 2021

FACULTY & STAFF AWARDS

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

This award is given to recognize the full-time faculty member who exemplifies excellence in teaching. The recipient was nominated by peers, students and staff for this special recognition.

Linda Bell, M.B.A. Lecturer of Accounting

PROVOST'S AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE

This award is given to the adjunct faculty member who exemplifies excellence in teaching. The recipient was nominated by peers, students and staff for this special recognition.

Charles Troppito, M.P.A. Adjunct Instructor for MBA Graduate Programs

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMIC ADVISING AWARD

This award is given to recognize faculty who have achieved excellence in providing Park University students with academic advising and mentoring. The Award is intended to recognize outstanding contributions in helping students define and achieve their academic goals.

> Greg Claycomb, Ph.D. Professor of Chemistry

J.L. ZWINGLE AWARD

This award is given to an outstanding faculty member for the current academic year. Students of Park University are proud to pay tribute to an outstanding faculty member as voted by the student body.

Wen Hsin, Ph.D.

Professor of Computer Science

DISTINGUISHED FACULTY SCHOLAR AWARD

This award was established by Manuchair Ebadi, '60, Ph.D., in 1998 to honor Delta W. Gier, Ph.D., former chair of the Department of Chemistry who served Park from 1948 to 1990. The award pays tribute to a faculty member who shows evidence of commitment to high standards of excellence in the area of scholarship: teaching, discovery, integration and/or service. The recipient also shows effective and innovative connections between teaching and research, especially by undergraduate student involvement and participation. An inscribed name plate will be placed on the Distinguished Faculty Scholar Award wall plaque, located in Mackay Hall, as permanent recognition of the faculty member and the honor.

Dmitry Gimon, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Information Systems and Business Analytics

DISTINGUISHED HUMANITIES FACULTY AWARD

This award, established in August 2007 by Manuchair Ebadi, '60, Ph.D., celebrates the work, life and thoughts of Woodbridge O. Johnson, Ph.D., professor emeritus and chair of religion and Biblical literature at Park from 1946 to 1966. The award is presented to a University faculty member who exhibits extraordinary accomplishments in research or creative scholarship through teaching, discovery, scholarly or creative work, and service. An inscribed name plate will be placed on the Distinguished Humanities Faculty Award wall plaque, located in Mackay Hall, as permanent recognition of the faculty member and the honor.

> Timothy Westcott, Ph.D. Associate Professor of History

FACULTY CENTER FOR INNOVATION FACULTY FELLOWS

The Faculty Fellows Program allows faculty the time and resources to engage in (and experiment with) innovative teaching practices and to contribute to the development of learning across Park University.

Ann Culton, M.S.C., Adjunct Faculty, Communication Lacey Finley, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Management Samantha Quinn, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Communication Leslie Umstattd, M.A., Adjunct Faculty, Liberal Education Amy Wolf, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Early Childhood Education

FACULTY ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY EDUCATORS

In partnership with institutions of higher education, the Association of College and University Educators prepares, credentials, and provides on-going support to faculty in the use of evidence-based teaching practices that promote student engagement, persistence to graduation, career readiness, and deeper levels of learning. Faculty who satisfy the requirements of ACUE's course earn a certificate in effective college instruction endorsed by the American Council on Education.

Sandra Abbey	Alla Adams
Cindy Anderson	Sharon Brave Heart
Gina Chambers	Kelly Collins
Arielle Evans	Emily Grover
Alicia Hayes	Kathy Jackson
Tiffany Janson	Robert Kao
Rebecca Kudrna	Sarena Langston
Matt Loux	Carol MacArthur
Juan Maza	Martha McClung
Jay Memmott	Nicholas Miceli
Samra Nasser	Stacie Ordonez
Tatiana Peisl	Debra Sheffer
Cathy Taylor	Guillermo Tonsmann
Jennifer Whitley	Joyce Willhite
Angelia Wilson	Angela Wright
Malallai Zalmai	

2020-2021

SELECTION OF OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS

Cumulative grade point average of 3.9 or above, degree seeking, full-time student with 30 or more Park University hours.

Adrian, Summer Al Ani, Sarah Alsaleh, Mohammad K. Anderson, Allison Nicole Ayala-Ramirez, Briana Ball, Emma C. Barnett, Abigayle B. Barnett, Kyler Bayarjargal, Uranbaigali Blair, Amanda Bland, Jared C. Bowlin, Sara A. Boyer, Peter J. Briody, Brendan Patrick Brown, Destinee Aliyaah Brown, Nicole S. Bucci, Luciano Burke, John A. Cangelosi, Renee F. Cantley, Megan Clayton, Deanna Erin Clayton, Jocelyn N. Clinesmith, Jason Colbert, Ryan C. Cook, Dalton Corbin, Kayla C. Cordray, Emily G. Cornell, Tyler L. Costanza, Vincent J. Cox, Caitlin Elizabeth Craven, Sophie Meredith Crouse, Averyl O. Cuevas, Victoria S. Curtis, Nicole Karleigh Davis, Shailynne N. dos Santos, Christian Gabriel

Dunn, Nathan M. Eiberger, Margaret Laine Eichhorn, Elias N. Evers, Reid W. Evert, Paige E. Flint, Alissa R. Franklin, Henry R. Funke, Rachel L. Garcia, Hannah D. Garciano, Rochelle M. Giraldi Horta de Lima, Marina G. Glasenhardt, Samantha Glaszczak, Jessica L. Gormley, Sonja N. Gray, Jacob P. Grigsby, Sadie Gunther, Sophia G. Haas, Alexis Nicole Hahlbeck, Jena B. Hancock, Shea N. Henry, Blake Lawson Hess, William Lee Hodson, Zoey E. Holcombe, Carlie Z. Hubbard, Christina Louise Hutchinson, Makenna L. Iddrisu, Ajata Johnson, Bradley A. Johnson, Madalene Mary Johnson, Sadie S. Julu, Darrell Naboh Karki, Manika Kendall, Edward R. Khadka, Sampada Kitelinger, Claire M. Lamsal, Manish Lankford, Lucy Vivian Larson, Jared Matthew Levenoskie, Karissa Merced Little, Grace Ann Locke, Mary Locke, Shyan Alice Lucas, Taylor A. Mahoney, Nick Maness, Jennifer Elizabeth Marfield, Michael D. Mark, Mel E. Marker, Drake Robert Marrs, Mason M Marticke, Allison L. McCleary, Alexia M. McPherson, Katlynn Leigh Michalski, Makayla Lee Mickelboro, Michael S. Milledge, Morgan R. Moore, Taylor Ann Morgan, Caroline R. Moye, Sydnee A. Muchiri, Jackline W. Myshketa, Alba Nalivaiko, Natalya M. Nienhiser, Sarah Elise O, Cindy T. Oesterle, Savannah Olson, Carter Omesa, Derrick Paez, Yulissa Antonia Pappert, Hannah R. Patrick, Malachi Andrew Peeler, James D. Powers, Jesse Lee Proctor, Jordan E. Raslan, Yousef Ahmed Mohamed Rawhouser, Emily A. Rawhouser, Hailey N. Reed, Carmen Ribeiro da Silva,

Rizzi, Johnathan Paul Robinson, Baily Roper, Sophie Ross, Raven Sierra Rothacher, Rebekah Leigh Salam, Bayan S. Schields, Haley M. Schnoebelen, Mary E. Schroeder, Alexis Nicole Shelton, Emilee Marie Snead, Taylor Paige Solombrino, Laetitia Pina-Lydia Spoor, Austin W. Springer, Hunter Alexis Staerke, Victoria Taylor, Kierra D. Tolbert, Mashala B. Truitt, Michael W. Wahlert, Delaney Marie Walsh, Claire MacKenzie Weber, Daniel Joseph Weston, Joshua Steven Whittaker, Timothy N. Wieser, Tanner Lee Williams, Jenny M. Willis, Michael Bradley Wyatt, Savanna Kai Zimmerle, Brittney Renee Zirpolo, Anna Marie

Isabela C.

HONORS ACADEMY

The Honors Academy is a special program for which formal application is required. The Academy is open to undergraduate students from all disciplines. Incoming freshmen, current students, and transfer students with a cumulative GPA of 3.75 and an ACT score of at least 28 can apply for admission. The Honors Academy seeks students who desire to learn not only for self-satisfaction, but also as a means through which they may contribute to their campus, city, national, and global communities in support of the University and Academy mission statements. The program is designed to challenge academically well prepared students while introducing and reinforcing the experiential learning outcomes Park University's Literacies. The three foci of the Academy, Service, Leadership, and Scholarship are explored through the curriculum. Academy students enjoy enriched scholastic experiences, growth through service, and becoming leaders in their discipline.

Jocelyn Clayton	Vincent Costanza
Alissa Flint	Henry Franklin
Madelyne Hartleroad	Taylor Lucas
Mel Mark	Austin Spoor
Claire Walsh	Timothy Whittaker

THE MARLOWE SHERWOOD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

The Marlowe Sherwood Memorial Scholarship Endowment was established by Park University's Alumni Council in recognition of Marlowe Sherwood's 14 years of service to the University as the alumni director. The fund continues to grow through gifts from members of the Alumni Association and friends of Park University. This scholarship is designed to be awarded to alumni of any Park undergraduate program for use in one of the Park academic programs or to any spouse, sibling, child, grandchild, niece or nephew of a Park graduate to use in either a Park University undergraduate or graduate program.

Addison Schoeck

Morgan Laughlin

College of Education and Health Professions

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

THE DOROTHY WATSON LITERACY AWARDS

Literacy for All

This award is given to the junior or senior teacher candidate who best exemplifies the guiding principles of the Dorothy Watson Literacy Center through their coursework, field experiences and service.

Cynthia Salazar

Making a Difference

This award is given to the junior or senior teacher candidate who best exemplifies commitment to service through their coursework, field experiences and service.

Jocelyn Clayton

OUTSTANDING DIRECTED TEACHER AWARDS

This award is given to a student whose performance as a student-teacher during the current academic year has been outstanding.

Elementary Level: Destinee Robinson K-12 Art: Lauren Thompson K-12 Spanish: Alissa Flint K-12 Special Education: Renee Cangelosi Middle School Level: John Burke Secondary Level: Gena Shively

DEPARTMENT HONORS

Education

Maddie Johnson (Junior)

Michael Marfield (Senior)

SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES

Psi Chi

Psi Chi is the international honor society in psychology. Its purpose is to encourage, stimulate and maintain excellence in the scholarship of its member in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology. The Park University chapter of Psi Chi was chartered in 1996. The following students are welcomed to Psi Chi's fellowship of common interest, mutual assistance and high endeavor.

Raquel Castellano Manso	Ruby Fivecoat
Alexandra Giannaka	Jena Hahlbeck
Tanisha Jones	Nathaniel Lane
Angelica Maese	Grace Neiderhiser
Chihiro Saito	Bayan Salam
Everett Sanborn	Aliya Umar

Rho Epsilon Chapter of Phi Alpha Honors Society

Phi Alpha is the national honor society in social work. The Park University chapter, Phi Alpha Rho Epsilon, was established in 2010. The mission is to promote scholarly pursuits in the advancement of humanitarian goals and ideals, with a motto of "Through knowledge — the challenge to serve."

Hannah Bisges	Anna Bishop
Amanda Blair	Kathryn Brown
Caitlin Cox	Megan Dehm
Karen Ellis	Sarah Enderle
Emma Frame	Sarah Graham
Barton Herndon	Chelsea Hilton
Christina Hubbard	Darrell Julu
Regina Montoya	Megan O'Malley
Hailey Rawhouser	Brittaney Schroeder
Jordan Shockley	Jessica Slaughter
Porsche Thomas	Jessica Tingle
Jessica Trump	Lindsey White
Haley Williams	

DEPARTMENT HONORS

Fitness and Wellness

Emily Cordray (Senior)

Master of Social Work

Kathryn Brown (Generalist) Vanessa Groves (Specialist) Mary Schnoebelen (Specialty)

Nursing

Shea Hancock (Senior)

Psychology

Angelica Maese (Junior)

Briana Ayala-Ramirez (Senior)

Social Psychology

Haley Schields (Senior)

Social Work

Mary Schnoebelen (Junior)

Caitlin Cox (Senior)

Sociology

Anderson Oleander (Junior)

Kalani Earls (Senior)

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF **H**UMANITIES

COMMUNICATIONS

Cal Downs Award

The Cal Downs Award is given to the student who has shown exceptional performance in the area of Communication Theory and Human Relations.

Johnathan Rizzi

Paul Friedman Award in Interpersonal Communication

Given to the student who best illustrates the principles and practice of interpersonal communication.

Taylor Dumsky

English

Mary Barlow Writing Award for Outstanding Student Writing

The Mary Barlow Writing Award for Outstanding Student Writing is given to the student whom the English Dept. has identified as the most accomplished student writer.

Grant Hunsaker

Nicholas Manchion Endowed English Award

This award is presented in memory of Nicholas Manchion as a living tribute from his parents, Ed and Jody Manchion, along with his brother Adam. It is awarded to a student majoring in English, of sophomore status, who has a grade point average of 3.0. Nicholas believed that as long as the dreamers still dream and the writers still write, there will always be love. His love of learning was evident in his speech and in the goals he had in life. The Manchion Award supports an original poetry competition.

Morgan Milledge

Sigma Tau Delta

Sigma Tau Delta is an international English honor society. Its purpose is to confer distinction upon students of the English language and literature in undergraduate, graduate and professional studies. The Park University chapter of Sigma Tau Delta was chartered in 1998. The following students have achieved the requirements for membership and are invited into the company of those dedicated to promoting interest in literature and the English language.

Vincent Costanza Grant Hunsaker Alicia Gray Kevin Lewellen

Lambda Pi Eta

Lambda Pi Eta is the National Communication Association's official honor society at four-year colleges and universities. LPH represents what Aristotle described in Rhetoric as three ingredients of persuasion: logos (Lambda), meaning logic; pathos (Pi), relating to emotion; and ethos (Eta), defined as character credibility and ethics.

Sara Bowlin	Darius Campbell
Averyl Crouse	Natalya Nalivaiko
Victoria Olaleye	Hannah Pappert
Johnathan Rizzi	Savannah Wyatt

Pica Pole Award

This is awarded by the Department of Communication, Journalism and Public Relations to a student studying Multimedia Journalism and Public Relations. The award honors a student who has shown enthusiasm for and dedication to the field of journalism through their courses and involvement in student media.

Shelby Adkins

Sigma Delta Pi

To honor those who attain excellence in the study of the Spanish language and in the study of the literature and culture of the Spanish-speaking peoples; to honor those who have made Hispanic contributions to modern culture better known in the English-speaking world; to encourage college and university students to acquire a greater interest in, and a deeper understanding of, Hispanic culture; and to foster friendly relations and mutual respect between the nations of Hispanic speech and those of English speech.

> Wesley Arce Monica Cervantes Savannah Oesterle Victoria Turner

Carol Cardenas Matheus Chesca Rachel Riddle

DEPARTMENT HONORS

Communication, Journalism and Public Relations

Savanna Wyatt (Junior)

Camelin Sampson (Senior)

English

Morgan Milledge (Junior) Jocelyn Clayton (Senior) Addison Schoeck (Junior) Taylor Lucas (Senior)

Fine Art

Kierra Taylor (Junior)

Victoria Turner (Senior)

Graphic Design

Jennifer Bernal (Junior)

Ryan Eisenbacher (Senior)

Interior Design

Sonja Gormley (Junior)

Claire Kitelinger (Senior)

Modern Language

Savannah Oesterle (Junior)

Alissa Flint (Senior)

SCHOOL OF NATURAL, APPLIED AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

CHEMISTRY

The American Institute of Chemists

This award honors the outstanding senior in the field of chemistry.

Morgan Laughlin

Dr. William C. Pivonka Award

Inaugurated by the Class of 1988, the award is given annually in recognition of the dedication that Pivonka showed in teaching at Park University. It is given to an upperclassman who best represents the ideals of a chemistry major at Park University.

Haley Williams

The CRC Press Freshman Chemistry Achievement Award

This award is presented in recognition of outstanding scholastic achievement in chemistry during a student's freshman year at Park. The award includes a chemistry and physics handbook from the publisher.

Ashley Kurima

GEOGRAPHY

Gamma Theta Upsilon Excellence in Geography Award

Park University honors particular students whose scholarship, leadership and citizenship exemplify the tradition of Park University within the academic department. This honor is bestowed by the president, trustees and faculty of the university.

Marcos Barbosa

INFORMATION AND COMPUTER SCIENCES

Outstanding Association for Computing Machinery Service Award

This award is co-sponsored by the ACM Club and the Department of Information and Computer Science.

Ryan Cheung Yvette Karanja

MATHEMATICS

Harold G. McDaniel Award

This award is presented in memory of McDaniel, '58, professor of mathematics from 1961-78. It is given to honor outstanding students majoring in mathematics or natural science.

Jagrit Niraula

J. Malcolm Good Award

The J. Malcom Good Award is given to the best undergraduate research paper in mathematics by a Park mathematics major.

Deanna Clayton

NATURAL AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

Professor L.A. Robbins Memorial Award

This award is given to a student who has distinguished himself/herself in the natural sciences and in athletics.

Mashala Tolbert

Burton W. Scheib Pre-Medical Prize

This award is given to a student majoring in science — preferably pre-medical — for excellent work in this field.

Grace Little

DEPARTMENT HONORS

Biology

Reid Evers (Junior)

William Hess (Senior)

Chemistry

Rebekah Rothacher (Junior)

Brittney Zimmerle (Senior)

Criminal Justice

Emily Elizalde-Avila (Junior) Bayan Salam (Senior) James Peeler (Junior) Timothy Whittaker (Senior)

Geography

Patrick Rodarte (Junior)

Steven Payne (Senior)

History

Joshua Weston (Junior)

Henry Franklin (Senior)

Information and Computer Science

Peter Boyer (Junior)

Rinku Gopalil (Senior) Manish Lamsal (Senior)

Mathematics

Sanad Dhital (Junior)

Bethany Harms (Senior)

Molly Soltis (Senior)

Political Science

Tanner Wieser (Senior)

College of Management

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

BUSINESS

Park University Business Faculty Award

This award is given to the students who demonstrated exceptional leadership in the classroom and exceptional potential in the field of business.

Sophie Roper

FINANCE

Financial Executives Institute Awards

This award is given to an outstanding graduate of Park University in the field of finance for the current academic year.

Arthur D'avila

Delta Mu Delta

Delta Mu Delta is the international honor society for business programs accredited by Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs at the baccalaureate, graduate and doctoral levels. Becoming a member of Delta Mu Delta is an honor indicative of earnest, intelligent purpose and rewarding achievement. School of Business juniors, seniors, and graduate students completing a sufficient number of courses at Park University, ranking in the top 20% of their respective classes and having a current grade point average meeting the society's minimum requirement are invited to join.

> Edward Kendall Drake Marker Sophie Roper

DEPARTMENT HONORS

Accounting

Makenna Hutchinson (Junior)

Jared Bland (Senior)

Economics

Keno Reynold (Junior)

Victor Alves Tiveron (Senior)

Finance

John Higgs (Senior)

Human Resources

Nick Mahoney (Senior)

Michael Willis (Senior)

International Business

Ilse Jimenez (Senior)

Giovanna Jordao (Senior)

Management

Victoria Cuevaz (Junior) Drake Marker (Senior) Felipe Soter Chagas (Junior) Cindy O (Senior)

Marketing

Marckson Francois (Senior)

Nathan Straubel (Senior)

PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

LOUISA DAVIDSON HINDE/CAROLYN HINDE ZARKARYAN MEMORIAL AWARD

This award is given to students, faculty, staff and/or alumni who best represent the spirit of Park University by promoting in others that quality of excellence that has always been associated with a Park education. The awards are presented in memory of Louisa Davidson Hinde and Carolyn Hinde Zarkaryan, '56.

Taylor Lucas, student

Ozoda Narzullaeva, student

Henry Roehrich, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Marketing/Management

THE OUTSTANDING PARKITE AWARD

The Outstanding Parkite Award is given to two students on the University's Parkville Campus who best exemplify the ideals of the University in their character, conduct, scholarship and student activity participation. The awards are endowed by Dr. Elliot F. Parker in memory of his parents, Albert and Jessie Parker.

> Jocelyn Clayton Rinku Gopali

Dr. Doris Howell Leadership Awards 2020-2021

C.W. Bailey Award	Kokouvi Alowoneu
	Diyorbek Nortojiev
Cindy K. Anderson Senator of the Year	Timothy Gibson
Dusing-Proudfoot Award	Katherine Renner
Excellence in Academic Advising	Greg Claycomb
Faculty Newcomer of the Year	Kristen Whiteley
Honorary Faculty Newcomer of the Year	Camille Abdel-Jawad
J.L. Zwingle Award	Wen Hsin
New Student Organization of the Year	Speech & Debate
Outstanding Class Member Award	
Sophomore	Macy Masters
Sophomore	Gabriel Soares
Junior	Demetria Byers
Junior	Bruno Comin
Non-Graduating Senior	Manoj Khatiwada
Non-Graduating Senior	Hailey Rawhouser
Park Family Award	Tonya Wessel
Servant Leader of the Year	Bayan Salam
Staff Newcomer of the Year	Rachael Chapman
Student Employee OTY (GA)	Vanessa Groves
Student Employee OTY (work study)	Molly Soltis
Student Organization Advisor of the Year	Zac Jarrard
Student Success and Impact	Barrett Price
Tipton Award	Nathan Marticke
Toni Griggs Award	Stefanie Rettenbacher
Program of the Year	RHC Grocery Bingo

CEREMONIAL SYMBOLS



Presidential Medallion

There have been two presidential medallions in the history of Park University. The first, bestowed upon Acting President H. Melton Mohler by the student council in 1964, is a polished brass cross pattée with a sextant, representing the navigational mission of the president to guide the University, in the center. The insignia is surrounded by two red and yellow concentric circles and the words Fides et Labor, the University's motto. The presidential medallion of today, presented in April 2002 to President Beverley Byers-Pevitts, Ph.D., is made of gold-plated bronze, with the names and dates of tenure of each former president engraved on the links of the chain. The medallion symbolizes the president's responsibility for the welfare of the institution.

Ceremonial Mace

The ceremonial mace is among the oldest symbols of authority. Once used as weapons by royal bodyguards to protect kings, cities and parliaments eventually began using them, and the heads of medieval universities later followed suit. In academia today, the ceremonial mace has become one of the treasured symbols of office and is representative of the power of an institution. Park University's 42-inch ceremonial mace was commissioned by President Greg Gunderson, Ph.D., in 2017. In the center of the mace head is Park University's Mackay Hall clock tower and the school motto, Fides et Labor. The antique bronze, octagon-shaped platform that supports the mace head has a cherry wood upper disk and a lower disc made with limestone mined from Park University's Parkville Campus, serving as a representation of Park University's strong foundation.



