



LAKE FOREST
COLLEGE

SENIOR HONORS CONVOCAATION

Friday, May 12, 2023

3:30 p.m.

Lily Reid Holt Memorial Chapel
Lake Forest College

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Opening Act
“Cold Duck Time”
by Eddie Harris

Nina C. Badagliacco, Violin
Andrew Gravino, Drums
Ken Miyakawa, Bass
Lucas Varga, Piano

Welcome

Jill M. Baren, MD, President

**Presentation of the
Senior Honors and Awards**

Davis Schneiderman, Krebs Provost and Dean of the Faculty
Andrea Conner, Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students

**Presentation of the
William L. Dunn Award for
Outstanding Teaching and
Scholarly Promise**

Davis Schneiderman
Krebs Provost and Dean of the Faculty

Recipient: Vivian Ta-Johnson
Assistant Professor of Psychology

**Presentation of the
Great Teacher Award**

Davis Schneiderman
Krebs Provost and Dean of the Faculty

Recipient: Enrique Treviño
Associate Professor of Mathematics and
Computer Science

Great Teacher Address

“Between Two Worlds”

Alma Mater

Teagan Hutchcroft, accompanied by Professor Donald Meyer at the piano

Lake Forest dear, our Alma Mater,
Thy praise we sing with heart and voice,
Thy Red and Black floats proudly o'er us,
While in thy glory we rejoice.
As stand thy brave old trees about thee,
Strong as thy lake's fierce waves in storm,
So stand thy children to defend thee,
While love in every heart beats warm.
-ALVAH W. DORAN, 1893

Closing Act
“Mercy, Mercy, Mercy”
by Josef Zawinul

Nina C. Badagliacco, Violin
Andrew Gravino, Drums
Ken Miyakawa, Bass
Lucas Varga, Piano

Out of consideration for others, please silence cellular telephones and all electronic devices.

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PRESENTATION OF HONORS AND AWARDS TO SENIORS

Gertrude Ahegbebu	<i>Professor Henne</i>	Roger A. White '60 Prize in Philosophy
Bitá Aslrousta	<i>Professor Richardson</i>	Senior Prize in Computer Science
Nina C. Badagliacco	<i>Professor Edgar</i>	Lorraine D. and H. Randall Heath Senior Prize in Music
Angela Belmonte	<i>Professor Chen</i>	Senior Prize in History
Angela Belmonte	<i>Professor Zeller</i>	Miller Family Prize
Ondine C. H. Berg	<i>Professor DebBurman</i>	Fredericka L. Stahl Memorial Award for Excellence in Science - Neuroscience
Ondine C. H. Berg	<i>Professor Beer</i>	Senior Prize in Sociology and Anthropology
Elise C. Blochwitz	<i>Professor Taylor</i>	Alex F. Mitchell Senior Prize in Art History
Helena Blumenau	<i>Professors DebBurman and Long</i>	Robert B. Glassman Prize in Psychology and Neuroscience
Anila Buja	<i>Professor Lemke</i>	Robert Baade Prize for Economics
Julián D. Cano	<i>Dean Tyler</i>	Edward H. Oppenheimer Memorial Prize
Julián D. Cano	<i>Dean Tyler</i>	Senior Class Speaker
Emma Clay-Barbour	<i>Professor Shab</i>	Dr. Aldo J. Crovetti Prize in Chemistry
Emma Clay-Barbour	<i>Professor Shab</i>	Fredericka L. Stahl Memorial Award for Excellence in Science - Chemistry
Allison M. Coffell	<i>Professor Menke</i>	David W. Towle Award for Excellence in Biological Research
Kamila A. Czerlonko	<i>Professor Odugu</i>	Senior Prize in Student Teaching - Elementary
Karya D. Dean	<i>Professor Richardson</i>	Senior Prize in Data Science
Beth S. DeFoe	<i>Professor Menke</i>	Fredericka L. Stahl Memorial Award for Excellence in Science - Biology
Sophia R. Doret	<i>Professor Pettengill</i>	McPherson Prize for Excellence in Scholarship - Theater
Jake Dziurdzick	<i>Professor Lemke</i>	Lorraine D. and H. Randall Heath Senior Prize in Business
Brendon R. Gardner	<i>Professor Wu</i>	Senior Prize in Asian Studies
Brendon R. Gardner	<i>Dean Meneses</i>	Emma O. Haas Memorial Award for Merit in Scholarship
Brendon R. Gardner	<i>Professor Oxman</i>	Senior Prize in International Relations
Amanda Grassel	<i>Professor DebBurman</i>	Carr Prize in Neuroscience
Amanda Grassel	<i>Professor Henne</i>	Phi Beta Kappa Senior Thesis Award
Rowan Guduru	<i>Professor Martin</i>	Gail DeHerder Memorial Prize in Creative Writing
October K. Heffner	<i>Professor Yale</i>	Senior Prize in Communication
Teagan Hutchcroft	<i>Professor Barry</i>	Senior Prize in Music Education
Kelsie C. M. Jackson	<i>Professor Meyer</i>	Senior Prize in Self-Designed Major

Marta Janas	<i>Professor Lemke</i>	Senior Prize in Finance
Jovana Jovanovska	<i>Professor Oxman</i>	Solly A. Hartzo Award in Politics
Jovana Jovanovska	<i>Grace Elizabeth Groner Foundation Director MacDougal</i>	Grace Elizabeth Groner Foundation Community Service Award
Jovana Jovanovska	<i>Dean Tyler</i>	Edward H. Oppenheimer Memorial Prize
Megan T. Kastar	<i>Professor Henne</i>	McPherson Prize for Excellence in Scholarship - Philosophy
Kamden T. Kuklinski	<i>Professor DebBurman</i>	Carr Prize in Neuroscience
Natalia Q. Leite	<i>Professor Lemke</i>	Warren A. Peterson Memorial Award in Economics
Natalia Q. Leite	<i>Dean Meneses</i>	Emma O. Haas Memorial Award for Merit in Scholarship
Ceanna Loberg	<i>Professor Long</i>	Sterling Price Williams Prize in Psychology
Emily B. R. Martinez	<i>Professor Long</i>	David L. Krantz Prize in Psychology
Jonathan Meneses	<i>Professor Odugu</i>	Senior Prize in Student Teaching - Secondary
Nicole Nagel	<i>Professor Martin</i>	McPherson Prize for Excellence in Scholarship - English
Nicole Nagel	<i>Professor Habn</i>	McPherson Prize for Excellence in Scholarship - French
Tracey C. Nassuna	<i>Professors DebBurman and Long</i>	Robert B. Glassman Prize in Psychology and Neuroscience
Kaitlyn Neher	<i>Director of Athletics Piart</i>	Nicholas J. Wasylik Senior Athletic Award
Scott R. Nicholson	<i>Professor Lemke</i>	H. Murray Herlihy Prize in Economics
Katelyn E. Osborne	<i>Professor Meyer</i>	Senior Prize in Self-Designed Major
Ryan J. Osselborn	<i>Professor DebBurman</i>	Fredericka L. Stahl Memorial Award for Excellence in Science - Neuroscience
Emma E. Parker	<i>Professor Habn</i>	McPherson Prize for Excellence in Scholarship - Spanish
Karla E. Perez	<i>Professor Henne</i>	Roger A. White '60 Prize in Philosophy
Laurel K. Robbins	<i>Professor Henne</i>	Phi Beta Kappa Senior Thesis Award
Haley C. Seidel	<i>Professor Odugu</i>	Senior Prize in Education
Madison M. Stevens	<i>Professor Long</i>	Sterling Price Williams Prize in Psychology
Marina M. Strong	<i>Professor McCammack</i>	Senior Prize in Environmental Studies
Paityn N. Tabor	<i>Director of Athletics Piart</i>	Senior Scholar/Athlete Award
Alondra N. Velazquez	<i>Professor Menke</i>	Fredericka L. Stahl Memorial Award for Excellence in Science - Biology
Lionel G. Whitehead	<i>Professor Richardson</i>	Harold B. Curtis Prize in Mathematics
Lionel G. Whitehead	<i>Professor Kash</i>	Fredericka L. Stahl Memorial Award for Excellence in Science - Physics
Meklit D. Yimenu	<i>Professor Cody</i>	Fredericka L. Stahl Memorial Award for Excellence in Science - Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Dima X. Zaghal	<i>Professor Taylor</i>	Senior Prize in Studio Art

SENIORS ELECTED TO MEMBERSHIP IN HONORARY SOCIETIES

PHI BETA KAPPA

Violet M. Anderson
*Lizbeth Angeles Silva
Angela Belmonte
Ondine C. H. Berg
Brooke A. Bolerjack
Desiree Brady
Bailey S. Brant
Christopher Czarnik
Karya D. Dean
Beth S. Defoe
Jack Dwyer
Jake Dziurdzik
*Brendon R. Gardner
Beata Geryk
Grace Glaszcz
Clare Green
Sophie L. Hansen

Adam Hartzler
David L. Howle
Robert Hunt
Marta Janas
*Richard K. Jinschek
Jovana Jovanovska
Eric H. Kang
Josephine I. Lafayette
Emma P. Law
Natalia Q. Leite
Martha G. Machuca
Emily B. R. Martinez
Nicole Nagel
Tracey C. Nassuna
*Scott R. Nicholson
Ryan J. Osselborn
Karla E. Perez

Reese Reynolds
Laurel K. Robbins
Haley C. Seidel
Marina M. Strong
Rachel Syverud
*Paityn N. Tabor
Alondra N. Velazquez
Isidora Visnjevac
Emily C. Wachter
Sara T. Weisblatt
Lionel G. Whitehead
William H. Yeigh
*Meklit D. Yimenu
Dima X. Zaghal

*elected in the junior year

LAMBDA ALPHA ANTHROPOLOGY

Stokli A. Ashcraft
Maria Fernanda Fernandez
Chloe M. Franklin
Hailyl Gomez

Josephine I. Lafayette
Juliana Novelo
Isamar Oliveras
Mario E. Pasturczak

Cassandra R. Rodriguez
Massiel Sanchez-Giles
Emmanuel Soto
Madison M. Stevens

BETA BETA BETA BIOLOGY

J. Benjamin Bitterman
Allison M. Coffell
Beth S. DeFoe

Jovana Jovanovska
Jhanati Rajesh
Iman Z. Shepard

Alyssa C. Silva

LAMBDA PI ETA COMMUNICATION

Ean Goldstein
Aaron M. Haro
October K. Heffner

Veronika K. Knych
Kirsten T. Lengfelder
Jazlyn Mendieta-Castro

Alexander M. Reed
Margaret J. Walsh

OMICRON DELTA EPSILON ECONOMICS

Kobena A. Amoah
Lizbeth Angeles Silva
Gabriel K. Anzeze
Nafissa Bounia Yahaya
Anila Buja
Veronika Chernik
Ancuta Cinta
Jaronn D. Correll
Christopher Czarnik
Karya D. Dean
Jake Dziurdzik
Matias Fonolla
Beata Geryk

Sophie L. Hansen
David M. Hartigan II
Ann F. Lally
Natalia Q. Leite
Jose L. Lopez Juarez
Sara Martinez Guzman
Ariela M. Menendez Iglesias
Scott R. Nicholson
Parker D. Police
Carson Poulin
Michelle Quintana
Jhanati Rajesh
Johnny Roeser

Cindy Rubio Garcia
Luca J. P. Sassi Arobba
Ajit Sharma
Qheliswa Simelane
Austin Sparrow
Winston Stock
Rachel Syverud
Jacob L. Tilton
Isidora Visnjevac
Sara T. Weisblatt
Nicholas M. Wiencek

KAPPA DELTA PI EDUCATION

Gabriela C. Baxtrom
Kristina Braun
Julia A. Davis
Madison F. Dermont
Sydney L. Esp

Yanna M. Glaspy
Matthew Hart
Emily L. Mitchell
Elizabeth M. Moshovitis
Stephanie L. Olson

Haley C. Seidel
Valerie M. Velazquez
Aimee Vollman

SIGMA TAU DELTA
ENGLISH

Kristen Calhoun
Clare Green
Ethan S. Kagin

Lael Medema
Emily L. Mitchell
Nicole Nagel

Sara T. Weisblatt

PHI SIGMA IOTA
MODERN LANGUAGES

Lizbeth Angeles Silva
Jennifer Becerra
Elise C. Blochwitz
Emma Clay-Barbour
Brendon R. Gardner
Yanna M. Glaspy

Phoenix-Rose T. R. Honeycutt
Kelsie C. M. Jackson
Annie Lee
Madeline Morland
Nicole Nagel
Isamar Oliveras

Yuliana Quintana
Bianca Ramirez
Daniela Sanchez
Edwin Sanchez-Rodriguez
Paityn N. Tabor
Mireya Uribe

NU RHO PSI
NEUROSCIENCE

Deniz Akpinar
Bitu Aslrousta
Ondine C. H. Berg
J. Benjamin Bitterman
Helena Blumenau
Elena C. Chrisman
Allison M. Coffell

Megi Diasamidze
Ayesha Fatima
Amanda Grassel
Katelyn B. Holstein
Kamden T. Kuklinski
Danae S. Lazarou
Noah Mueller

Tracey C. Nassuna
Ryan J. Osselborn
Alyssa C. Silva
Hannah M. Turnage
Gabrielle R. Vineyard

PI SIGMA ALPHA
POLITICS

Gabriel K. Anzeze
Jazmin Avalos
October K. Heffner
Leslie Herrera Gonzalez

Jovana Jovanovska
Nicholas Katsikas
Karolyna E. Padilla
Sara Patton

Luca J. P. Sassi Arobba
Giuseppe P. Scalera
Pratistha Shrestha

PSI CHI
PSYCHOLOGY

Gertrude Ahegbebu
Helena Blumenau
Brooke A. Bolerjack
Kristen Calhoun
Cagla Celik
Elena C. Chrisman
Katelyn B. Holstein
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Sara Martinez Guzman
Lael Medema
Noah Mueller
Emma E. Parker
Anthony Paul

Serenah N. Quiroga
Massiel Sanchez-Giles
Madison M. Stevens
Natalie Wolthusen
Lauren E. Wright
Michelle E. Zaslavskaya

THETA ALPHA KAPPA
RELIGION

Maeve H. Barbera
Angela Belmonte

Beth S. Defoe
Ashlyn Pope

Rachael C. Rosen

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SOCIOLOGY

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Juliana Novelo
Isamar Oliveras

Massiel Sanchez-Giles
Madison M. Stevens

ALPHA PSI OMEGA
THEATER

Avery Grant
Ethan S. Kagin

Julia McGrath
Bernachaly R. Santiago

Ajit Sharma

2022–2023 SENIOR THESES

Gabriel K. Anzeze	The Socio-Economic Impact of Higher Education on African Immigrants in the United States: <i>An Econometric Analysis of Returns on Education.</i>
Angela Belmonte	The Reformations' Impact on Women
Allison Coffell	Extending the Therapeutic Applications of LAG3 in Multiple Sclerosis via Genomic Under Expression
Amanda Grassel*	Assessment Of Three New α-Synuclein Mutants in Various Parkinson's Disease Environments in A Yeast Model
October K. Heffner	Analysis of Select Romantic Comedies from an Intersectional Feminist Lens
Robert Hunt	Cultural Justice and the Broadway Musical
Kelsie Jackson	For all Mankind? The International Law of Lunar Mining and Resource Exploitation
Kamden T. Kuklinski	Differential outcomes of repeated, mild traumatic brain injury compared to a single, severe traumatic brain injury
Ceanna Loberg	The Influence of Religious Priming on Moral Decision Making in Plausible and Implausible Dilemmas
Sarah Mubarek	Dismantling Icons of Oppression: Challenging Misogynoir in The Works of Jackie Ormes, Faith Ringgold, and Alison Saar
Tracey C. Nassuna	Evaluation of β -Synuclein Toxicity in a Yeast Model
Reese Reynolds	Revisional Representation in Literature: The Queer Reading of J.R.R. Tolkien's <i>The Lord of the Rings</i>
Laurel Robbins*	Genetic Chemoprophylaxis for Tuberculosis Using the D-Cycloserine Biosynthetic Pathway
Ava Seitz	Feminine Violence and its Role in the Riot Grrrl Movement
Emily Wachter	<i>Invictus</i>
Meklit D. Yimenu	Telomerase Expression Dramatically Increases During Sexual Development
Dima Zahal	<i>With Loving Memory: an immersive view into the material consciousness of Palestine</i>

*Phi Beta Kappa Senior Thesis Award
Senior Theses Awarded Distinction (in bold)



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