



# FALL GRADUATION

*Thursday, December 11, 2025*



## PROGRAM

President John Y. Gotanda

Acting Senior Vice President and Provost Brenda Jensen, Ph.D.  
Master of Ceremonies

### Processional

#### Oli Aloha

##### Morning Ceremony

Kumu Hula Tracie Lopes

#### Oli Aloha and Hula

##### Afternoon Ceremony

Kumu Hula Tracie Lopes  
Halau - Ka La Onohi Mai O Haehae

### Star-Spangled Banner *and* Hawai'i Pono'i

##### Morning Ceremony

Loryn Bonner, Nainoa Kebo, Saadiya Patrick ('25), Leasuone Vaeoso, and Director, Choral Activities and Director, Performing Arts Collin Boothby, DMA

##### Afternoon Ceremony

Hikari Bauson ('25), Almudena Casas, Nainoa Kebo, Francheska Macato, Naomi Travis, and Director, Choral Activities and Director, Performing Arts Collin Boothby, DMA

### Welcome *and* Remarks

Acting Senior Vice President and Provost Brenda Jensen, Ph.D.

##### Morning Ceremony

Sophia Paris Siangco  
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Shanicqua Lavon Carter  
Master of Business Administration

##### Afternoon Ceremony

Jejomar Obidos Balanay  
Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Joshua Fontaine  
Doctor of Occupational Therapy

### Presentation of Candidates

### Conferring of Degrees

### Degrees in Course

### Alumni Pledge

Cyrus Howe, Master of Arts in Global Leadership and Sustainable Development '14  
Operations Manager, Hawaii Green Growth

### President's Remarks

### Recessional



# HAWAI'I PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

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## A Message from President Gotanda

*Aloha Fall 2025 Graduates,*

*Congratulations, and welcome to our graduation festivities, celebrating and honoring you and your significant achievements!*

*On your academic and life-enriching journey at Hawai'i Pacific University, you seized the opportunity to broaden your knowledge and your viewpoints. Through every experience in which you have engaged, interacting and collaborating with world-class faculty, supportive staff, leaders in our community, and your fellow classmates, you graduate equipped to make impactful contributions in your communities and serve your fellow citizens. Your problem-solving, communication, and team-building skills will empower you now and well into the future as you continue to learn and grow.*

*While each of you, as a member of the Class of 2025, traveled a unique path to Hawai'i Pacific University, you and your classmates are now joined with a lifelong connection to your alma mater as members of our HPU 'ohana.*

*On behalf of HPU and your university's 'ohana, we are so proud of you and applaud your accomplishments. Mahalo, for taking part in the graduation ceremony, as a way to commemorate the tremendous efforts you made to pursue your passions, advance your education, and most importantly, prepare yourself for the next exciting chapter in your life's journey.*

*John Y. Gotanda  
President*

# VALEDICTORY SPEAKERS - MORNING CEREMONY

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## UNDERGRADUATE VALEDICTORY SPEAKER

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### **Sophia Paris Siangco**

*Bachelor of Arts in Political Science*

Sophia Siangco, from Honolulu and a graduate of Kamehameha Schools Kapālama Campus, completed HPU's dual-credit program in 2023, earning both her high school diploma and an associate degree. Continuing her accelerated path, she chose HPU to finish her bachelor's degree, achieving Dean's List honors from 2023 to 2025 and winning the 2025 HPU-sponsored The Leaders and the Led prize for her essay, "The Intersection of Conservation and Reciprocal Connection: Mauna Kea as a Site of Memory."

Siangco served as a social science research assistant in an HPU political science faculty lab, contributing to the Healthy Hawaiian Project and studies on Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander identity. Her work deepened her understanding of indigenous data sovereignty and researcher-community relationships. She also holds CITI, Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative, Program certifications in social and behavioral research and responsible conduct of research.

Beyond academics, Siangco was active in the HPU Debate Team, earning first place at the Edith Kanaka'ole Hawai'i Island Debate competition. She performed with the HPU Theatre in student- and department-led productions and played violin with the HPU Orchestra, playing a repertoire that ranged from classical works to contemporary movie scores and bluegrass tunes. She also studied piano and organ with two HPU faculty, broadening her musical abilities and strengthening her passion for creating music.

After graduation, Siangco plans to prepare for law school admission, focusing on programs with robust indigenous law curricula. She hopes to return to Hawai'i to practice law.

## GRADUATE VALEDICTORY SPEAKER

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### **Shanicqua Lavon Carter**

*Master of Business Administration*

Shanicqua Carter, originally from Camden, New Jersey, has lived across the U.S., including South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, and Kansas, and currently calls Hawai'i home. Her career spans over a decade of experience in customer service, digital strategy, military logistics, project management, and accounting. She is the accounting manager for Hawai'i Meals on Wheels, where she oversees financial operations, reporting, compliance, and process improvement in support of the organization's mission of serving Hawai'i's kūpuna (elders). She also served five years in the U.S. Army.

Carter's academic journey reflects a strong commitment to integrating business leadership with data-driven solutions. A member of Delta Mu Delta international honor society, she completed multiple professional certifications including program management, project management, and agile development and scrum, skills that complement her goal of advancing in technology, finance, and administrative leadership roles.

For her MBA Capstone Project, Carter and her team developed a comprehensive business plan for a Hawai'i-based meal-prep company. Completing this project allowed her to apply the full range of knowledge gained throughout the MBA program in leadership, finance, analytics, and strategic planning in a real-world scenario. The project reinforced the importance of data-driven insights, strong teamwork, and strategic alignment across business functions.

As Carter graduates with her MBA, she reflects that HPU and the program strengthened her confidence, sharpened her leadership abilities, and prepared her for the next steps in her career, including completing the Master of Science in Data Science at HPU, which she anticipates finishing in fall 2026.



# VALEDICTORY SPEAKERS - AFTERNOON CEREMONY

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## UNDERGRADUATE VALEDICTORY SPEAKER

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### **Jejomar Obidos Balanay**

*Bachelor of Science in Nursing*

Jejomar Balanay of Ewa Beach, Hawai'i, chose HPU after seeing the transformation his brother experienced as a student. Inspired by his mother's compassion as a healthcare provider, he committed to a nursing career focused on delivering quality, patient-centered care.

His clinical training spans post-anesthesia care at Pali Momi Medical Center, neurological care at Straub Benioff Medical Center, labor and delivery at Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children, behavioral health at Hawai'i State Hospital, and long-term care at Ka Punawai Ola.

Beyond academics, Balanay joined a medical mission to Moloka'i, where he delivered care, gathering vitals, serving as a scribe, and mentoring junior student nurses. During a cultural exchange with Tokyo Women's Medical University, he visited hospitals and care units, observing Japan's community-based care. He also helped present "The Effects of Digital Media on Brain Development in Children's Executive Function," an evidence-based study examining the scope of the issue and offering recommendations to help adolescents maintain executive functioning, which refers to the essential skills used daily to plan, solve problems, and manage emotions.

Active in campus life, Balanay served as secretary and Level 3 representative of the Student Nurses Association and is a member of Alpha Chi and Alpha Lambda Delta honor societies. He has volunteered as a medic at major community events, including the Honolulu Marathon.

Looking ahead, Balanay aspires to work in an intensive care unit, critical care unit, or perioperative area, combining clinical expertise with a passion for guiding patients through recovery.

## GRADUATE VALEDICTORY SPEAKER

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### **Joshua Fontaine**

*Doctor of Occupational Therapy*

Joshua Fontaine, originally from London, Canada, began his health sciences journey earning a Diploma in Fitness and Health Promotion and an Honors Bachelor of Applied Science in Kinesiology. After moving to Honolulu three years ago, he learned of HPU's newly launched Doctor of Occupational Therapy (OTD) program and became a member of its inaugural cohort. Active in the Aloha Committee, he welcomed guest speakers, supported outreach events, and shared his journey through admissions activities for prospective students. Fontaine received the Aloha Award for embodying the spirit of aloha and leadership to serve the greater good. He is a member of the American Occupational Therapy Association.

His fieldwork included acute care at Straub Benioff Medical Center, managing complex neuro, cardiac, and burn cases, and early intervention at Leeward Early Childhood Services Program, supporting infants and toddlers through sensory-based strategies and family coaching.

For his Capstone Project at Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children, Fontaine developed a holistic intervention resource guide for individuals with high-risk pregnancies. Using the biopsychosocial model as the framework, he addressed physical, emotional, and social challenges while providing postpartum resources. Fontaine collaborated closely with therapists to ensure the guide prioritized patient value and allowed for practical, seamless implementation with therapists.

Excited to continue growing in the field, Fontaine plans to begin his career in adult rehabilitation, a setting he found deeply fulfilling, where he witnessed the transformative impact of OT services.

# ACADEMIC HONORS AND DEGREE CONFERRAL

Academic honors and degrees for this ceremony are calculated based upon grades earned prior to graduation. Final honors and degrees are conferred when the University Registrar posts the degree to the student's official transcript. Students graduating with HPU honors are wearing honors regalia as follows: Bachelor degree students graduating ♦ (3.9 – 4.0 HPA) receive a medallion with a blue ribbon; ♠ (3.7 – 3.89 HPA) receive a medallion with a blue and white ribbon.

## Honors Regalia

Graduating students wearing honors regalia are members of local, national, or international honor societies. Honor cords, pins, or medallions identify students as members of one of the societies or programs listed below:

**ALPHA CHI:** Blue and green cords.

Membership is limited to the top 10% of juniors and seniors based on their HPU GPA and completion of 30 credits at HPU.

**ALPHA EPSILON DELTA:** Red and violet cords. Membership is limited to students with at least a 3.2 GPA in science courses and a major interest in medicine.

**ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA:** Red, gold, and white cords. Membership is limited to students in their first year at HPU who have achieved a GPA of 3.5.

**ALPHA SIGMA LAMBDA:** Maroon and gold cords. Membership is limited to undergraduate students at least 27 years of age who have a GPA of 3.2.

**BETA BETA BETA:** Green and red cords. Membership is limited to students enrolled in biological sciences with a GPA of at least 3.0.

**CHI ALPHA SIGMA:** Gold medallions. Membership is limited to students in HPU athletics who have earned the equivalent of an intercollegiate varsity letter and have maintained a GPA of at least 3.4.

**DELTA MU DELTA:** Purple and gold cords. Membership is limited to undergraduate and graduate students in the business degree program having a minimum GPA of 3.4 and 3.6 respectively.

**DELTA PHI TAU:** Teal and gold cords in a single cord. Membership is limited to Doctor of Physical Therapist students who demonstrate excellence, integrity, and professionalism in the areas of academic achievement (top 25%), leadership, service or research, and demonstrate strong moral character, ethics and the core values of the PT profession.

**KAPPA MU EPSILON:** Lapel pins.

Membership is limited to undergraduate students majoring in mathematics who have earned a GPA of 3.0 or better and rank in the upper 35% of their class.

**LAMBDA PI ETA:** Red and white cords and lapel pin. Membership is limited to students majoring in communication who have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25 for all communication courses.

**MU KAPPA TAU:** Royal blue cord and lapel pin. Membership is limited to undergraduate or graduate marketing students who have a cumulative GPA of 3.25 and undergraduate students who are either in the top 10% of their junior class or top 20% of their senior class.

**PHI ALPHA:** Single gold cord. Membership is limited to students enrolled in the social work degree program who have an overall cumulative GPA of 3.0 and a GPA of 3.25 in social work courses.

**PHI ALPHA THETA:** Lapel pins and sashes. Membership is limited to students majoring in history ranking in the top 35% of their class with a GPA of at least 3.1 in history classes.

**PI ALPHA ALPHA:** Lapel pin and blue and gold cords. Membership is limited to students in disciplines related to public service, such as public administration and criminal justice, with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 for undergraduates and 3.7 for graduate students.

**PI SIGMA ALPHA:** Medallion. Membership is limited to students majoring in or having taken at least six upper-division credits in political science, with a cumulative GPA of 3.2.

**PSI CHI:** Blue and silver cords.

Membership is limited to students in psychology who have a cumulative GPA of 3.45 and rank in the top 35% of their class.

**SIGMA DELTA PI:** Lapel pins. Membership is limited to students studying Spanish language and culture who have a GPA of 3.0 in their Spanish courses and rank in the top 35% of their class.

**SIGMA TAU DELTA:** Red and black cords. Membership is limited to students majoring in English or minoring in writing, film studies, or literature who have a cumulative GPA of 3.44.

**SIGMA THETA TAU:** Orchid and white cords. Membership is limited to nursing students who have a GPA of 3.0 (3.5 for graduate students) and are of junior or senior status with a ranking in the highest 35% of the nursing class.

**UPSILON PI EPSILON:** Maroon and white cords and lapel pin. Membership is limited to students in the study of information systems, computer science, and computer information systems who have a GPA of 3.0 for undergraduate students or a 3.5 for graduate students.

**RESIDENTIAL HONORS PROGRAM:**

Black and gold-lettering sashes signify a Residential Honors Program student who has maintained a cumulative GPA of at least 3.4, completed six honors-designated courses, participated in extracurricular activities, and completed an interdisciplinary Senior Honors Project.



# ACADEMIC REGALIA AND DEGREE CONFERRAL

## Academic Regalia

Graduates and faculty participating in HPU's graduation ceremonies wear traditional academic attire. Associate and bachelor's degree candidates wear royal blue gowns with straight sleeves. Master's degree candidates wear royal blue gowns with oblong sleeves and hoods with colors that represent their degree programs, accented with silver and grey. Doctoral candidates wear royal blue gowns with bell-shaped sleeves, featuring three velvet bars and blue velvet panels down the front with the university logo, a blue velvet tam, and hoods in the colors that represent their degree program, accented with silver and grey. Faculty may wear the regalia representing the university from which they received their terminal degree. At HPU, graduates may also wear lei in addition to honors regalia. Tassel colors represent the various degree programs.

All Associate Degrees	Tassel	
Associate	Gold	
All Bachelor's Degrees	Tassel	
Bachelor's	Gold	
Master's Degrees	Tassel	Hood
MA	White	White
MATESOL	White	White
MBA	Drab	Drab
MSCJ	Gold	Peacock Blue
MEd	Light Blue	Light Blue
MPA	Gold	Peacock Blue
MSIS	Gold	Gold
MSBA	Gold	Gold
MSBAIS	Gold	Gold
MSAI	Gold	Gold
MSDSCI	Gold	Gold
MSCYBR	Gold	Gold
MSMS	Blue	Gold
MSN	Apricot	Apricot
MSW	Citron	Citron
MPH	Salmon	Salmon
Doctoral Degrees	Tassel	Hood/Tam
DNP	Apricot	Apricot
DPT	Teal	Teal
OTD	Gold	Rhodes Blue

<b>Veteran Affairs</b>	<b>Cord</b>
Veteran Affairs	Braided Red, White, and Blue
<b>Philanthropy</b>	<b>Cord</b>
Philanthropy	Double Corded, Teal and White

# COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

– DEAN: Amy Nguyen-Chyung, Ph.D., MBA–MPA

## Associate of Science

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Ransly Jose Frias Gomez ♦

Johnathan Pabon Aquino ♦

## Bachelor of Science

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Kate Rosalie Allan \*\*

Aarin Baker

Oliver Lassen Bartlmae \*\*

Noah Michael Blythe

Elizabeth Ann Borgelt

Allison Carrie Born

Brendan Byron

Elizabeth Noel Cobbe

Makayla Marie Dematos \*

Daniel Hall

Joshua L. Harris Sr.

Kelsey Grace Hoolihan \*

Hailey Kuuipookalani Kalihi-Ortiz \*\*

Anthony Ray Tafalla Lopez \*\*\*

Rayson 'Eleu Yasuyuki Lum

Kaya Xenobia Martin \*

Olivia Engla Mattsson \*\*\*

Andrew Henry Oliveira

Tyler Gavin Parrotte

Shayden Pualikolehua Peahi \*\*

Anuheia Phiifer \*\*

Zachary John Lopaka Prado

Jadrey Supnet Reynon

Conner David Roberts \*\*\*

Francisco Javier Sanchez \*\*

Ka'iulani Leiali'ikau'ikawēkiu Sanford

Ethan James Taafe \*\*

Hikaru Togashi

Alana Tristan Pomaika'inani Tolentino

Bernadette Rose Valdez \*\*\*

Riho Yamami \*\*

## Master of Business Administration

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Jennifer Castro Bagorio ♦

Guangying Bao ♦

Dylan Brian Barreira

Huanliang Bian ♦

Gaurav Bolaki ♦

Shaylea Sinclair Bordine ♦

Brandon William Britt

Shakerah Cameal Brown ♦

Dodie Bumanglag ♦

Hualong Cai

Ting Cai ♦

Shazlyn-Keani Kanoe Anuheia Ka Makana Manu  
Okalani Cañada Chong Zelei

Shanicqua Lavon Carter ♦

Jingyu Chang ♦

Jinghui Che ♦

Dawei Chen ♦

Guanghai Chen

Mengjun Chen ♦

Siyan Chen ♦

Bryson Shigeru Wai Ming Kalakuaole Cole

Michael Thomas Compoli ♦

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# COLLEGE OF BUSINESS *continued*

– DEAN: Amy Nguyen-Chyung, Ph.D., MBA–MPA

Kristopher Jamill Cruz ✧

Wanjin Dai ✧

Nicholas George Deweever

Yufei Ding ✧

Dennis Dinyer ✧

Travis Lloyd Dooley

Odaine Denroy Edwards

Shimin Feng ✧

Tatiana Marie Foster ✧

Jun Fu

Rongrong Fu ✧

Guy Armel Gahungu

Xiaoning Geng ✧

Hengtong Gu ✧

Tingting Gu ✧

Wanyue Gu ✧

Chunsheng Guo ✧

Yanxing Guo ✧

Zihao Guo ✧

Azahid Gutierrez

Dong Han ✧

Haisheng Han ✧

Lu Han ✧

Zhendong Han

Macyn-Shayne Makana O Ka Malu Holu Hanawahine ✧

Ben He ✧

Tao He

Xiaotian He ✧

Adriana Hernandez Carmona

Derrick Alton Hilton

Xiaohui Hong ✧

Beili Hou

Addison Howard ✧

Roman Yechao Hu ✧

Xuewei Hu

Joshua T. Ishizaka ✧

Jacqueline Dizon Jackson ✧

John William Jacob

Haibing Ji ✧

Zeping Jia ✧

Xingyu Jiang ✧

Shaoke Jin ✧

Madison Kealohiokala Kalahui

Kamalu Kamakawiwoole

Posheng Kao

Minhea Kim ✧

Jie Kong ✧

Chonpong Ku ✧

Jordan Warde Akira Kekoiula Kurokawa

Rungen Le ✧

Changyup Lee ✧

Yanli Lei ✧

Gunner Paul Lemcke ✧

Gailian Li ✧

Hai Li

Huiyan Li ✧

Jie Li ✧

Na Li ✧

Pengfei Li ✧

Siqi Li ✧

Xue Li ✧

Xuena Li

Zijian Liang

Dian Liu ✧

Dongxian Liu ✧

Fang Liu ✧

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Haitao Liu ✧

Hao Liu ✧

Yinyin Liu ✧

Jinsi Luo ✧

Xiaoli Luo

Long Ma ✧

Mei Ma ✧

Xiaochen Ma ✧

Yiming Ma

Zheng Ma

Zhiqiang Ma ✧

Jonaven Macadangdang

Marten Maide ✧

Chloe Mailer ✧

Christopher Ka'ioikamālie Maluo ✧

Joshua Corey McDade

Abraham Tyreke Meade ✧

Yanglu Peng

Dongdong Qian

Hao Qin ✧

Ling Qiu ✧

Ashley Kalisiana Rangel Da Silva Vokai

Guilan Ren ✧

Tingting Ren ✧

Haley Robertson ✧

Brandon Allen Saliba

Manuel Anthony Sandoval

Peng Shen ✧

Run Shen ✧

Yanhong Shen ✧

Julie Dolores Sila ✧

Shylah Kukahekahe Soon ✧

Jonah Toshio Keali'i Kanaka'ole Stokes ✧

Huijuan Sun ✧

Qifeng Sun ✧

Sainan Sun ✧

Tiffany Keiko Tamate ✧

Yi Tan ✧

Baozong Tang ✧

Longji Tang

Xinxing Tang ✧

Kelsey Taylor ✧

Jeffrey Terrill ✧

Barbara Thompson ✧

Yakuang Ting

Micah K. Tsukamoto ✧

Yakuang Ting

Micah K. Tsukamoto ✧

Erik Taylor Urie

Tim Valadez ✧

Peng Wan ✧

Guofeng Wang ✧

Hailong Wang ✧

Jia Wang ✧

Liyuan Wang ✧

Peishan Wang ✧

Yongmei Wang ✧

Zhen Wang ✧

Mikaela Ann Ward

Yujie Wei ✧

Shichun Wen

Matt Kiyo Wiley ✧

Jaime Akee Kukunaokalā Wond

Troy Richard Wong ✧

Guier Wu ✧

Ling Xia ✧

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Bo Xiao

Jiahui Xie ✧

Jian Xiong ✧

Daliang Xu ✧

Jin Xue ✧

Qin Yan

Fan Yang

Tianrui Yang ✧

Xiaohuang Yang

Yi Jing Yang ✧

Xiang Yin ✧

Tingting Yu ✧

Wenjuan Yu

Xueen Yu ✧

Qiwei Zang ✧

Junhua Zeng ✧

Hua Zhang ✧

Linlin Zhang ✧

Peng Zhang ✧

Tianyuan Zhang ✧

Xiaqing Zhang ✧

Xin Zhang

Yabo Zhang ✧

Yang Zhang ✧

Yingfei Zhang ✧

Yumei Zhang ✧

Zhengqing Zhang ✧

Bowen Zhao ✧

Chenglong Zhao ✧

Xiaoning Zhao ✧

Bin Zheng

Wei Zheng

Zhirong Zheng ✧

Wenjun Zhou ✧

Xiaoru Zhou ✧

Wanlin Zhu ✧

Qin Zou ✧

Jie Zu ✧

## Master of Science

Ricardo AguiarParra

John Paulo Arigo

David Guerra

Shamar VaKeith Jones

Paul Leonard ✧

David EagleWolf Templarios ✧

Kate Nohea Wilhelm ✧

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# COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

– DEAN: Allison Gough, Ph.D.

## Bachelor of Arts

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Yusuf Hesham Alnajjar \*

Ivelisse Aviles \*\*

Dynell L. Bonner

Luke Vincent Burton

Daniela Carranza Sanchez \*\*\*

Deandre Lee Diggs II

Heidi Lynne Dougherty-Berdecia \*

Peyton Rose Elizondo \*

James Michael Fowler \*\*

Leilah Michele Gates \*\* ■

Aaliyah Gray \*

Daisyiona Lynn Howlett

Kathrine Stokke Iversen \*

Mariama Kanneh

Olivia Josephine Hoppe Keiser \*\*

Kyle Alexander Kniskern

Riley Eiko Komo

Kameron Malia Kwong \*\*\*

Joshua Tautua Niusulu

Ezekiel Andrew Novetzke \*

Hunter Victoria Pardi

Saadiya Aneesa Patrick \*

Rachel Elizabeth Porn

Giovanna R. Scholbi

Sophia Paris Siangco \*\*

Leah Karlyn Sierra \*\*

Sebastian Vera Meneses \*

Leilani Tautinei Lavea Winn \*

Kennedy Paige Zahn

## Bachelor of Science

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Georgia Louise Wilson \*\*\*

## Graduate Certificate

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Amelia Louise Yoon Pregil

## Master of Arts

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Ramon Brockington ✧ ⚰

Kyung Sik Kwak ✧

Kayla Madeleine Yee ✧

Jordan Marie Young ✧

## Master of Social Work

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Nelson Mateo Martinez ✧

⚰ Posthumous

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# COLLEGE OF NATURAL AND COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCES

– ACTING DEAN: Carrie Jones, Ph.D.

## Bachelor of Arts

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Daniela Hernandez

Inbar Mizrahi \*

## Bachelor of Science

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Red Justin G. Agoto

Pierre A. Erard \*\*\*

Anh Duy Pham

Noel Kealani Padilla Ah Mook Sang \*

Lucero Eneebeth Griego

Maya Janette Pompel \*\*\*

Katelyn Rose Bagwell

Alec Mikhail Aguilar Hiyas \*

Jhonas Tabin Ponce \*\*

Gregory Ball

Cindy Marie Balatayo Indalecio \*\*\*

Ella Marie Somerville \*

Hikari Joy Bauson \*\*\*

Emma G. Lamb

Teresa Marie Stutzke

Carson Jade Blythe

Amiya Jenise Mance

Madeline Rose Taylor \*\*

Shannon Christie

Gloria Valentina Monreal Nares

Anthony Peter Villagomez \*\*\*

Kaleb Kendall Cooper-Feldt

Erin Dominique Ortiz ■

Mikhail Sergeevich Vostrikov \*\*

Caitlin Jae Duncan \* ■

Anastasia Carol Palmer

Chance Alexander White

## Master of Science

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Allie Bilson

Nino Miljkovic ✧

Jennifer Chang Wilkinson ✧

Julia Marie Hunckler

Olivia Graham Siudak ✧

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# COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

– DEAN: Mani Sehgal, Ph.D.

## Associate of Arts

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Colin Ian Brown ♦

William Raymond Frakes III

Jessica Guzman Aragon

Brittany Noel Rasmussen ♦

Kianna Kadean Richards

Raymondo Semerzier ♦

Alston Dion Young

## Associate of Science

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Zully Andrade-Yadao

Trifon B. Carbonell II ♦

Jacob N.K Conol ♦

Wilmer Omar Delcid Jr.

Joseph Nolan Dwyer Jr. ♦

Ralph Andric Escala ♦

Byron Fletcher ♦

Connedra Nicolette Hylton-Leslie

Alfredo Antonio Irahetajuarez ♦

Ryan Kobliska ♦

Jacqueline Llanos Romero

Don Mahilum

Ashlee Marie Nieves ♦

Natalie Yareltzye Pace ♦

Morgan Layel Sikes ♦

Eriz Souphab

Robert Lee Turner

## Bachelor of Arts

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Sheri Lanice Danley

Jayare Howell Erickson \*\*\*

Mark Galindo

Molens Gilmete \*\*

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By taking responsibility for my actions and looking out for others

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