



University
Awards Gala

2023

Monday, April 24, 2023
Norton Auditorium

UNIVERSITY AWARDS GALA 2023

Mistress of Ceremonies Ms. Amber Sandvig
Welcome and Remarks from the President..... Dr. Kenneth Kitts

OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Each academic achievement award is determined by the departmental faculty and is presented to the graduating senior in each academic major based on academic achievement, character, professionalism, and potential.

ANDERSON COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Pre-Licensure BSN Jayden Bobo
Accelerated BSN Thomasena Black
Post Licensure RN-BSN Charles Tenison*
BS Applied Health Science - Health Administration Track Catherine Lambright Blurton*

Dean's Award

Anderson College of Nursing and Health Professions

Presented by Dr. Tera Kirkman, Dean Micah Douglas

COLLEGE OF ARTS, SCIENCES, AND ENGINEERING

Art Georgia Land
Biology Carlie Smith
Chemistry Abbey Steadman
Cinematic Arts and Theatre Emma Higby
Communication Arts Savana Robertson
Criminal Justice Raven Eller
Culinary Arts Management Hailey Blanchard*
Engineering Technology Elizabeth Anne Ford
English Kathryn Weathers
Entertainment Industry William Patrick McGucken*
Fashion Merchandising and Design Kailee Curtis*
Foreign Languages Abby Kathryn Richardson*

French	Chamblee Jacqueline Ozbirn
Geography	Seth Taylor
Geographic Information Science	Carol Samuelson
German	Eleanor Thompson
History	Alexa Sparks
Hospitality and Events Management	Abigail West
Interdisciplinary Studies.....	Patrick Crummie*
Interior Architecture and Design	Avery Glover
Marine Biology	Aaron Matthew Perry
Mass Communication.....	Lavette Williams*
Mathematics.....	Meleah Orr*
Music	Molly Clayton
Occupational Health Science	Sabrina Stout
Physics.....	Hung Lam
Political Science.....	Olivia Knight
Psychology	Jonathan Garrett Allred
Social Work	Hannah Karr
Sociology.....	Sarah Michelle Mann*
Spanish	Elizabeth Claire Talbot
Sustainability	Kylie Boatwright

Dean's Award

College of Arts, Sciences, and Engineering

Presented by Dr. Sara Lynn Baird, Dean Caroline McAdams

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SCIENCES

Willingham Award in Elementary Education.....	Grace Bowen
Willingham Award in Secondary Education	Brian Tyler Loy
Exercise Science	Mary Garrison Sullivan
Sport and Recreation Management.....	William Noel*

Dean's Award

College of Education and Human Sciences

Presented by Dr. Katie Kinney, Dean Emma Warren

SANDERS COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY

Accounting.....	Madeline Pugh
Computer Information Systems	Omonegho Ugheoke

Computer Science	Claire Hall*
Data Analytics.....	Andre Jacobs
Finance.....	Damian Forrest
Information Technology.....	Gavin Raney
Management.....	Lauren Quigley
Marketing.....	Addie Scruggs

Dean’s Award

Sanders College of Business and Technology

Presented by Dr. Jana Beaver, Associate DeanJoshua Corbin

DISTINGUISHED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Presented by Dr. Ross Alexander, Provost and Executive Vice President for

Academic Affairs *Shanise Allen*, Hunter Bays, Morgan Bryson*,
Samantha Cupp*, Rebecca Edington*, Rachel Koubek, Joseph Luna*,
Dana Malone, Mackenzie Martin, William Patrick McGucken*,
Evan Morgan, Christopher Nichols*, Madeline Pugh, Sarah Simon,
Charles Tenison*, Savanna Terry, Alexandra West, Haley Wilbanks*

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RECIPIENTS

The Lion’s Cup

Presented by Bethany Green, Director of Student Engagement*Delta Alpha Pi*

Outstanding Volunteerism Awards

Presented by Bethany Green, Director of Student Engagement

Student Award *Karla Hildebrand*

Student Organization Award*Student Nursing Association*

Fraternity and Sorority Life Awards

Presented by Anna Leigh Vaccaro, Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life

Fraternity Man of the Year.....*Garret Statom, Lambda Sigma Phi*

Sorority Woman of the Year..... *MacKenna Gosart, Phi Mu*

Daniel R. Leasure Fraternity Chapter of the Year..... *Pi Kappa Alpha*

Daniel R. Leasure Sorority Chapter of the Year.....*Alpha Gamma Delta*

LaGrange Society Awards

Presented by Mary Harber, Assistant Director of Recruitment and Orientation

Hostess of the Year *Anna Grace Rye*

Host of the Year *Garret Statom*

Rookie of the Year..... *Rebekah Callahan*

Housing and Residence Life Staff Member of the Year Awards

Presented by Donald Hilliard and Calviee Tandy, Area Coordinators

..... *Kenslie Baudean, Jocelyn Martin*

Student Employee of the Year

Presented by Juliette Butler, Senior Administrative Assistant, Student Engagement

..... *Aleya Gilley*

Dr. Graham L. Sisson, Jr. Disability Support Services Champion Awards

Presented by Jeremy Martin, Director of Disability Support Services

Faculty Award *Dr. Amy Crews*

Student Award *Nicholas Burnett*

President’s Diversity Awards

Presented by Dr. Ron Patterson, Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Faculty Diversity Award *Michael Reutter*

Staff Diversity Award *Jeremy Martin*

Student Diversity Award..... *Kayla Holman-Madison*

Global Lions Award

Presented by Dr. Chunsheng Zhang, Senior Vice President for International Affairs

..... *Hai Tran*

Undergraduate Service Awards

Presented by Dr. K. C. White, Vice President for Student Affairs

Candice Buford, Treasure Franklin, Makenzie McGuire, Talon Pritchard

Hall of Fame Awards

Presented by Dr. K. C. White, Vice President for Student Affairs.....

Jayden Bobo, Mackenzie Martin, Edric “EJ” Powell, Emma Warren

University Man 2023

Presented by Dr. Kenneth Kitts, President..... *Tevin Pauley*

University Woman 2023

Presented by Dr. Kenneth Kitts, President *Shanise Allen*

W. T. McElheny Award

Presented by Garret Statom, SGA Treasurer *Kristi Henson*

Dr. Kimberly A. Greenway Outstanding Service Award

Presented by Kennedy Edwards, SGA Vice President, and Will Driver, SGA Secretary
.....*Rebecca Rockhill*

Distinguished Staff Employee of the Year Awards

Presented by Melissa Bolton, Staff Senate President*Billy Burns, Janet Jones*

Academic Affairs Graduate Student Awards

Presented by Dr. Ross Alexander, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Scholarship Award *Alyssa Lauren Parten*
Service Award *Dixie Norwood*
Teaching Assistant Award *Nadia Stewart*

Eleanor Gaunder Phi Kappa Phi Excellence in Teaching Award

Presented by Dr. Ross Alexander, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
..... *Dr. Jean Ann Helm Allen*

Academic Affairs Faculty and Staff Awards

Presented by Dr. Ross Alexander, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Outstanding Advising Award, Faculty *Dr. Ashley Johnson*
Outstanding Advising Award, Staff *Lillian Akin*
Dr. Jim F. Couch Outstanding Research Award *Dr. Hunter Waldman*
Outstanding Service Award *Dr. Gary Padgett*
Dr. Lawrence J. Nelson Outstanding Teaching Award *Dr. J. Doug Barrett*

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO

Dr. Kenneth Kitts, President

Dr. Ross Alexander, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. K. C. White, Vice President for Student Affairs

Student Government Association

Enrollment Marketing and Digital Communication

Ms. Kali Daniel, Senior Graphic Designer

Ms. Anna Carden, Student Graphic Designer

Mr. Samuel Thigpen, University Videographer/Photographer

UNIVERSITY AWARDS GALA COMMITTEE

Ms. Rebecca "Becca" Bush, Coordinator, Student Activities

Ms. Juliette Butler, Senior Administrative Assistant, Student Engagement

Ms. Bethany Green, Director, Student Engagement

Dr. J. Matthew Green, Associate Dean of College of Education and Human Sciences

Ms. Kristi Henson, Executive Assistant to the Associate Vice President of Student Affairs

Dr. Tammy Jacques, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs

Ms. Sheryl McMillan, Executive Assistant to the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

2022-2023 SGA EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Ms. Amber Sandvig, President

Ms. Kennedy Edwards, Vice President

Mr. Garret Statom, Treasurer

Mr. Will Driver, Secretary



**An asterisk by a name indicates that the recipient graduated either Summer 2022 or Fall 2022.*

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