College of Social Work
Convocation

The University of Utah
Commencement 2023
Candidates for degrees whose names appear in this program were applicants for graduation as of March 4, 2023.
Convocation Program
Kingsbury Hall, The University of Utah
May 5, 2023 – 9:00 am

Procession
(Audience please remain seated)
Officials, Faculty, and Candidates for Degrees

Welcoming Remarks
Philip Osteen, Dean

BSW Student Speaker, Class of 2023
Brock M. Smith, BSW Graduate

MSW Student Speaker, Class of 2023
Kendra A. Baum, MSW Graduate

PhD Student Speaker, Class of 2023
Kwynn Gonzalez-Pons, PhD Graduate

Musical Interlude
"Older" by Ben Platt
Performed by Joyce Clements, MSW Graduate

Presentation of Graduates and Awarding of Degrees

BSW Diplomas
Stephanie Bank, Incoming BSW Director

MSW Diplomas
Lindsay Gezinski, MSW Director

PhD Diplomas
Christina Gringeri, PhD Director

The Turning of the Tassel Ceremony

Concluding Remarks
Philip Osteen, Dean

Recessional
(Audience please remain seated)
STUDENT AWARDS

Alumni Association Outstanding Student Award
Dedicated Service to the Practice of Social Work
Josh M. Adams

Blanche Scowcroft Willey Award
Achievement in Leadership in Social Work
Karla-Ann Whitaker

Caren J. Frost Award
Promise in Substance Use Disorder Counseling
Amy Daeschel

Caren J. Frost Award
Promise in Women’s Health
Anna C. Ewoniuk

College of Social Work BSW Faculty Award
Promise in Social Work
Brock M. Smith

College of Social Work MSW Faculty Award
Promise in Social Work
Haylee Noel Smith

College of Social Work PhD Faculty Award
Promise in Social Work
Elizabeth Hendrix

Connie Mortensen Woolsey Memorial Award
Promise in the Fields of Health and Mental Health
Debbie Oliver
Samantha Sorensen

Edward Yukio Okazaki Memorial Award
Achievement and Promise in Gerontology
Danielle Glover

James Garland Woolsey Memorial Award
Promise in the Fields of Health and Rehabilitation
Russell Pearson

John Hardy Stewart Legacy Award
Promise in Advocacy for Underrepresented Groups
Alice Ferwerda
Adriana Nuncio Zúñiga

Sharon Goodwill Memorial Award
Excellence in the Field of Mental Health
Michelle Isom

Student Practicum Awards
Outstanding Performance in Field Practicum
Sofia Alcala, BSW Practicum Student of the Year
Molly Dayley, MSW Generalist Practicum Student of the Year
Hannah Wankier, MSW Specialist Practicum Student of the Year
Suazo Social Justice Macro Practice Award  
*Achievement and Promise in Advocacy and Activism*  
Monique Aliyah Alires  
Natanael Choi

**COLLEGE AWARDS**

**Dean’s Medal**  
Charles S. Pohl, MSW

**College of Social Work Career Line Faculty Excellence Award**  
Tamber Snarr-Beesley

**College of Social Work Staff Excellence Award for Academics**  
Maddi Olsen

**College of Social Work Staff Excellence Award for Research**  
Jessica Seawright

**Judy Watts Brady Award for Excellence in Teaching Contract Faculty**  
Malissa Morrell

**Mary Shields McPhee Memorial Award for Faculty Excellence in Research**  
Sarah Canham

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

**American Indian & Alaska Native Scholarship in Social Work**  
Brian Kinlacheeny  
Tiani Kuettel  
Zachariah Lee  
Celena Powaukee  
Mariah Rouse

**ARUP Doctoral Matching Challenge Scholarship**  
Laura Bradbury  
Mariah Cowell  
Morgan Cruz-Erisman  
Genesis Diaz  
Sarah Elizabeth Garza-Levitt  
Kara Patin  
Bobby Younce

**Blanche Scowcroft Willey Scholarship**  
Jamilieth Campos Alejandre  
Sonja Arrasi  
Gabe Brown  
Victoria Contreras  
Evelin Finlinson  
Desiree Fryer  
Nick Jones  
Joe Kalipetsis  
August McCann  
Emma Morton  
Alex Popham  
Waaed Raheef
Bordenave Scholarship
  Jona Stapley

Burt Annin Child Welfare Scholarship
  Illise Ellsworth

Chieko Nishimura Okazaki Endowed Scholarship for Elementary-based Social Work
  Alex Popham

Chris Wellington and Beryl Peters Mental Health Scholarship
  Ashley Arnett
  Moonee Morris
  Jona Stapley

College of Social Work Alumni Scholarship
  Ana Barinotto
  Molly Hellman
  Xochitl Juarez

College of Social Work General Scholarship
  Jamilieth Campos Alejandre
  Ana Barinotto
  Nick Jones
  Xochitl Juarez
  Emily Lyver
  Kaitlyn Teeter

Community Advisory Board Scholarship
  Mia Barth
  Amy Daeschel

Daniels Martinez Scholarship
  Kaitlyn Teeter

E. Daniel & Margie Egbert Edwards American Indian Scholarship
  Tiani Kuettel
  Celena Powaukee

Edward Yukio Okazaki Scholarship
  Hiroko Mowery

Elizabeth McDonald Richards Scholarship
  Melissa Oligario-Morandy

Florence Smith Jacobsen Scholarship
  Whitney Howey
  Rosa Kim
  MacKaully Parada
  Devon Musson Rose

Frances A. Jones Endowed Scholarship
  Chelise Sawyer

George S. & Dolores Doré Eccles Neighbors Helping Neighbors Scholars
  Noelle Berry
  Danielle Glover
  Hannah Lee
  Elizabeth Rice
Georgia W. Murdaugh Scholarship
   Kendra A. Baum

Georgia Willey Snyder Scholarship
   Ryan Chai

Gilbert Teemley Smith Scholarship
   Natanael Choi

Graduate School Top Off Award
   Genesis Diaz

Hank Liese Scholarship
   Joe Kalipetsis
   Clint Okamoto

Helen R. Henderson Scholarship
   Melissa Oligario-Morandy

Helen Tsai Scholarship
   Jeannette Beal
   Kaylynn Larkin

Jamal O'Jack Scholarship
   William Russell

James C. and Lucile P. Hunter Scholarship
   Waheed Raheef

Jane and Ernest Bebb Family Endowed Scholarship
   Ryan Chai

Julia M. Watkins Endowed Scholarship
   Sarah Elizabeth Garza-Levitt

Katie L. Dixon Women and Girls Leadership Scholarship
   Brooke Chambers
   Crisanta Darcy
   Charisse Hales
   Jona Stapley

Lee S. Skidmore Scholarship
   Evelin Finlinson

Louise Browning Scholarship
   Myra Garcia
   Jasmine Girgenti
   Emily Ladd
   Kami Rosen
   Devan Wright

Luke Family Scholarship
   Belen Benson

Martin Hiatt Scholarship
   Rebecca Pankow
Maurice W. Warshaw Scholarship
Kendra A. Baum
Monica Matthews
London Meister

Mary Alice and Bennet Brown Foundation Scholarship
Ashley Arnett
Emily Lyver
Emma Morton

Milton G. Thackeray Scholarship
Brittany Bickley
Samantha Sorensen

Okazaki Community Partners Scholarship
Moonee Morris

Patricia Rothermich Memorial Scholarship
Sarah Ensign

Pete Suazo Social Justice Scholarship
Emily Lyver

Rex A. Skidmore Scholarship
Salina Kauvaka
Debbie Oliver
Rui Zeller

Robin Arnold-Williams Public Policy Endowed Scholarship
Morgan Cruz-Erisman

Roger M. & Mary F. Lowe Legacy Scholarship
Tolulope Akinyele
Chante Harrell
Leah Molina
Natanael Choi
Antonio Shade
Lidia Stine
Kristen Tuntland

Ruth C. Papiano Giolman Scholarship
Hiroko Mowery

Sarah Jane & Jeffrey D. Dunn Scholarship
Molly Hellman

Schmid American Indian Child Welfare Scholarship
Tianne Kuettel

Social Work Study of Aging Scholarship
Hiroko Mowery

William M. McPhee Scholarship
Aundrea Dilanchian
Megan Foster
Candidates for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy
Blaine, Allison, Social Work
Brooks, Malisa Marie, Social Work
Gonzalez-Pons, Kwynn Michelle, Social Work
Hardy, Clinton J, Social Work
Strock-Lynskey, Diane M., Social Work

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Adams, Calie May
Adams, Josh Michael
Akston, Carolyn
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Arteaga, Arlyne
Arvizu, Annalyssa Lucille
Asma, Eleanor Lee
Austin, Samantha Marie
Avery, Natalie J
Ayala-Sanchez, Jennifer Micaela
Ballard, Dana Leigh
Banos, Aracely
Barnes, Taylor Savannah
Barrington, Riley Jay
Bennion, Samuel John
Berry, Elizabeth Noelle
Best, Christopher Peter
Bickley, Brittany Nicole
Black, Alyssa Nicole
Bohnet, Jerry Lee
Borden, Amanda Leila
Bown, Zachary
Bracken, Chrystal
Bradshaw, Kenzie Ann
Bradshaw, Lincoln Tyler
Bryan, Jessica Ree
Buckman, Jacqueline Rachel
Butler, Tyler John
Caldwell, Leanna
Campos-Alejandre, Jamilieth
Capel, Justus Lee
Cardenas, Lydia Anne
Carrico, Lindsey Alise
Carver, Trevor Cord
Case, Brynley Marie
Caso, Breanna
Chacon, Mckenna Lila
Chambers, Brooke Diane Mcvey
Chan, Leah
Chidester, Jaimese Lynn
Choi Perez, Natanael Edinson Jared
Clements, Joyce Clair
Cochrane, Sarah Jenny
Colen, Michael Justin
Condas, Magdalene Daisy
Contreras, Victoria
Cook, Carly
Cook, Samantha
Creno, Tracey Anne
Crowfoot, Tiani Cynthia
Curtis, Michelle Kimball
Czach, Carly
Dahir, Halima Ali
Dalton, Kathryn Anne
Dalton, Mary Jo
Darcy, Cristanta Mendibel
Davies, Madison Noelle
Davis, Ashley Jane
Davis, Kaisha
Dean, Katie Elizabeth
Devlin, Jason D
Donato, Sarah Noel
Dopp, Cade
Eger, Krista Morgan
El-Hattab, Abdullah A
Ellis, Shawnee
Ensign, Sarah Ashley
Ewoniuk, Anna Christine
Fagan, Casey Erin
Felt, Kathy J
Field, Carson Daniel
Finlinson, Evelin Roxana
Folaumahina, Michael
Forsyth, Jordan Mackenzie
Fowlks, Melinda
Frech, Haylee Demoney
Fredman, Weston Samuel
Gale, Brenna
Galicia, Helen Nicole Felt
Galvin, Breeann Marie
Gibb, Suzanne Hales
Gilmor, Bryan Wayne
Glover, Danielle Marie
Godenick, Laura
Gonzalez, Denisse
Gonzalez, Laura Lidia Teran
Gould, Timothy Douglas
Graff, Jennifer
Graner, Abby Jean
Green, Rachel Puanani
Guadarrama, David
Hafoka, Linda
Hales, Charisse
Hall, Ellie Danielle
Hancock, Ashley
Hansen, Nichole
Hardy, Stacy Claire
Harrell, Kathleen Chante
Harward, Alexiss
Hawkins, Haley Noelle
Heaps, Rachel
Heath, Wendy L
Hellman, Molly Erin
Hereth, Jacob Lyle
Shields, Brittany Allison
Shipley, Cody Kurt
Siegel, Olivia
Smith, Haylee Noel
Sorensen, Samantha Alexis
Soriero, Vincent
Spackman, Lauren Kay
Steinberg, Holly Lyn
Steinfels, Rebecca Lynn
Stewart, Marina Cielo
Stine, Lidia Soledad
Strand, Elizabeth Marie
Swaitzfager, Jacquie J
Taylor, Sandra Maribel
Terry, Kaitlan Brooke
Thomas, Amanda
Thorne, Sidney Bales
Thornton, Kristy Lynne
Tiburcio Santos, Laura Guadalupe
Tobar Chavez, Kimberly Daneth
Torres, Alexandra Rosa
Torres, Luis Cuahhtemoc
Townsend, Makensi Taylor
Tryon, Ashley
Tuinei, Samuel Loa
Van Natter, Jessica Michelle
Varela, Deisy
Villano, Joseph N
Wanamaker, Nadja Dos Santos
Wankier, Hannah Joy
Ward, Olivia Ivy
Watts, Jennifer Michelle
Wellborn, Taylor Joffrion
Wesemann, Rachael Marie
Whitaker, Karla-Ann Denison
Whitman, Norma Lynn
Widdup, Trena Adams
Wight, Abigail Emma
Wilde, Lauren Elizabeth
Williams, Corey Chase
Williams, Kristen Kim
Wilson, April Elise
Wilson, Kendra Anne
Wolferts, Shauna
Wright, Devan Marie
Wrigley, Rebekah Maria
York, Alyssa
Young, Caitlyn Michelle
Young, Jennifer Cloward
Zufelt, Alicia Anne
Zwahlen, Aimee Dee

Candidates for the
Degree of Bachelor of Social Work
Acevedo, Bryan
Alcala, Sofia Linda
Ali, Faruse Mohamed
Alires, Monique Aliyah
Anderson, Brisma Paulina
Antuna-Valencia, Oliver
App, Arielle Elizabeth
Arrington, Mary Hannah
Baga-An, Cherish Maris
Barinotto, Ana Claudia
Barnes, Thalese Bri
Bates, Ruby M***
Baxter, Jessica Aldridge
Beal, Jeannette
Bermudez, Alejandra
Bernal Hernandez, Marjorie
Biddle, Emma Elizabeth
Blair, Katelynn Faith
Bridges, Logan Marrie
Bursma, Gerrit
Candland, Delaney Grace
Carr, Lauren
Castro, Jeffrey Cole
Coles, Benjamin M.k.
Cowdin, Lindsay Zoolakis
Daeschel, Amy Virginia
Dahl, Amelia Rae
Davis, Kitt S
Dinkel, Colleen Ann
Dixon, Vanessa
Dusoe, Dylan Michael
Eisher, Lauren
Eldredge, Janell Denise
Escoabar-Magdaleno, Felix
Ferwerda, Alice Marie
Fordham, Hannah Nicole
Fox, Hailey Elaine
Frehner, Karmen Mckenzie
Godfrey, Brianna Krista
Gonzalez Flores, Dana Linette
Green, Imani Ellen
Gregrich, Taylor Riley
Harn, Devin John
Hart, Giovanna
Hendricks, Tyson David
Huffman, Amanda K
Hussein, Amina M
Jenni, Merynne Elise
Jeppeson, Daisha Eve Nish*
Jones, Madalyn Rae
Jones, McKayla Rachelle
Kennedy, Frances Anastasia Beck
Kuhn, Mckenzie
Larkin, Kuilina
Lauer, Brittany*
Lee, Hotack

Candidate for the
Degree of Honors Bachelor of Social Work
Jones, Aspen Gray***
Certificates

Candidate for the
Graduate Certificate in
Leadership, Justice, and Community Practice
Whitaker, Karla-Ann Denison

Candidate for the
Graduate Certificate in Women’s Health
Isaksen, Arelys Daniela

Candidates for the
Undergraduate Certificate in
Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment
Hussein, Amina M
Lima, Hannah Beth
Matthews, Monica
McDermott, Matthew Meade
McKibbin, Logan Laine
Ramirez Ortiz, Joanna Ivet
Richards, Eryn Dawn
Strong, Zachary Lynn
Sutherland, Kali Blayre
Thornton, Hannah Jane

Candidate for the
Undergraduate Certificate in
Applied Positive Psychology
St. Martin, Sarah Emily

Candidates for the
Undergraduate Certificate in
Criminology and Corrections
Stewart, Zoe Dewbury
Whalen, Rachel Sharee

Candidates for the
Undergraduate Certificate in
Social Justice Advocacy
Alcala, Sofia Linda
McDermott, Matthew Meade

Honor Societies

Student Elected to the
Honor Society of Alpha Kappa Delta
Blaine, Allison

Student Elected to the
Honor Society of Golden Key
Blaine, Allison

Student Elected to the
Honor Society of Mortar Board
Dalton, Mary Jo
Students Elected to the Honor Society of Phi Alpha
App, Arielle Elizabeth
Arrington, Mary Hannah
Banos, Aracely
Bates, Ruby M
Bermudez, Alejandra
Best, Christopher Peter
Blair, Katelynn Faith
Bracken, Chrystal
Brooks, Malisa Marie
Butler, Tyler John
Chambers, Brooke Diane Mcvey
Chan, Leah
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Cowdin, Lindsay Zoolakis
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Galvin, Breeann Marie
Gonzalez, Laura Lidia Teran
Gonzalez-Pons, Kwynn Michelle
Gould, Timothy Douglas
Gregrich, Taylor Riley
Hernandez Nava, Wendy Abigail
Huffman, Amanda K
Jones, McKayla Rachelle
Kuhn, Mckenzie
Larsen, Jeffrey Kurt
Latham, Evelyn Sofia
Lauer, Brittany
Maddox, Melanie Allicent Wen Fang
Manriquez, Kirsten Gentry
Manuz, Heather Marie
Manwaring, Lisa
Martin, Nuchanaad C
McKee, Megan B
McKibbin, Logan Laine
Mccloskey, April Ann
Mcvea, Rosemary Alice
Murray, Katherine Grace
Oligario-Morandy, Melissa
Oliver, Debbie Ramirez
Popham, Alexander Gene
Rich, Melinda Menlove
Richardson, Emily Elizabeth
Scordari, Roberto
Smith, Brock Mckay
Stephenson, Julie Dawn
Stewart, Marina Cielo
Stine, Lidia Soledad
Taylor, Sandra Maribel
Thornton, Kristy Lynne
Tiburcio Santos, Laura Guadalupe
Van Natter, Jessica Michelle
Walenta, Brittany Elizabeth
Wanamaker, Nadja Dos Santos
Wankier, Hannah Joy
Whitman, Norma Lynn
Widdup, Trena Adams
York, Alyssa
Young, Jennifer Cloward
Ziebarth, Hannah Jane

Students Elected to the Honor Society of Phi Eta Sigma
Hernandez Nava, Wendy Abigail
Tobar Chavez, Kimberly Daneth

Students Elected to the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi
Blaine, Allison
Crowfoot, Tiani Cynthia
Williams, Kristen Kim

Students Elected to the Honor Society of Psi Chi
Rocha, Vanessa Martinez
Thomas, Amanda

Student Elected to the Honor Society of Sigma Alpha Pi
Mccrary, Jayden Ann

***Summa Cum Laude
**Magna Cum Laude
*Cum Laude
BSW Student Association
Logan Bridges, Co-President and Online Cohort Liaison
Ashley Juarez, Social Media Chair

MSW Student Association
Darby Mest, Co-President
Jenny Cochrane, Wellness Chair
MaryJo Dalton, Academic Representative
Anna C. Ewoniuk, Secretary
Emma Kinney, Social Chair
Lauren Spackman, Green Team Chair
Devan Wright, Treasurer

ANTICIPATED CERTIFICATES WITHIN THE COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK
(provisional titles)

Advanced Substance Use Disorder Treatment Training Certificate
Bryan Acevedo
Lauren Carr
Amy Daeschel
Kitt Davis
Alice Ferwerda
Amanda Huffman
Brock M. Smith

Interdisciplinary Graduate Women’s Health Certificate
Eleanor Asma
Crisanta Darcy
Anna C. Ewoniuk
Evelin Finlinson
Alexiss Harward
Molly Hellman
Lauren Spackman
Devan Wright
Alicia Zufelt
Adriana Nuncio Zúñiga

Leadership, Justice, and Community Practice Graduate Certificate
Timothy Gould

Social Justice Advocacy Certificate
Delaney Candland

Substance Use Disorder Treatment Training Certificate
Monique Aliyah Alires
Dylan Dusoe
Karmen Frehner
Rose McVea