

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences  
Highest Academic Achievement

**JAXON TOLBERT**  
POLITICAL SCIENCE

**FACULTY AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

University Distinguished Teaching Award Nominee  
**Joshua Burel**

University Distinguished Teaching Award Nominee  
**Nicole Pacino**

University Outstanding Undergraduate Research and  
Creative Activity Mentor Award Nominee  
**Kristin Weger**

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences  
Outstanding Part-Time Faculty Award  
**Sarah Zupko**

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences  
Outstanding Faculty Award  
**Dylan Baun**

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Faculty  
Awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor

**Joshua Burel, Music**

**Matthew Carey, Music**

**Amy Guerin, Theatre**

**Jennifer Sims, Sociology**

**Nathan Tenhundfeld, Psychology**

**Shuang Zhao, Political Science**

To all recognized in today's program, congratulations! The faculty and staff of the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences applaud your commitment to academic excellence, research, creativity, and performance.

Please join us following the awards program today for a reception in the Morton Hall Expansion Lobby.

**CELEBRATING YOUR  
ACCOMPLISHMENTS**



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**COLLEGE OF  
ARTS, HUMANITIES,  
& SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**ACADEMIC HONORS  
CONVOCATION 2023**



April 4, 2023  
11 a.m.  
Morton Hall

# ACADEMIC HONORS CONVOCATION

## WELCOME

Dr. Sean Lane  
Dean, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

## RECOGNITION OF UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE ACHIEVEMENTS

Art, Art History, & Design	Ms. Jill Johnson, Chair
Communication Arts	Dr. Eletra Gilchrist-Petty, Chair
English	Dr. Alanna Frost, Chair
History	Dr. Christine Sears, Chair
Music	Dr. Andrew Cling, Interim Chair
Philosophy	Dr. Nicholaos Jones, Chair
Political Science	Dr. John Pottenger, Program Director
Psychology	Dr. Carolyn Sanders, Interim Chair
Professional Studies	Ms. Kellee Crawford, Program Coordinator
Sociology	Dr. Christina Steidl, Interim Chair
Theatre	Mr. David Harwell, Program Director
World Languages and Cultures	Dr. Leslie Kaiura, Chair

Ancient and Medieval Studies	Dr. Andrei Gandila, Program Director
Global Studies	Dr. David S. Johnson, Program Director
Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies	Dr. Chad Thomas, Program Director

College Highest Achievement Dr. Sean Lane, Dean

## MUSICAL SELECTION

"Étude Op. 10, No. 4 in C # minor Frédéric Chopin (1810-1849), performed by Jeremiah Steele, piano

## RECOGNITION OF FACULTY AWARDS

Dr. Jodi Price  
Associate Dean, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

## CLOSING

Dr. Sean Lane  
Dean, College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences



# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

## DEPARTMENT OF ART, ART HISTORY & DESIGN AWARD

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement  
**Ben Hornyak**

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION ARTS AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement  
**Kate Kornegay**

Outstanding Graduate Achievement  
**Edith F. Aguilar**

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement - English  
**Mallory McDonald**

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement - Writing  
**Connor Harbin**

Outstanding Graduate Achievement  
**Tyler Dickey**

Outstanding Thesis Achievement  
**Adrienne Salajka**

## DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement  
**Mary-Elizabeth McFarlen**

Outstanding Graduate Achievement  
**John O'Brien**

The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Alabama History Essay Award  
**Elyse Swann Foster**

Colonel Walter Aston Chapter of the Colonial Dames of the XXVII Century History Award  
**Austin Matthew Woodard**

The Johanna N. Shields Award  
**Jacob Winton**

## DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC & THEATRE PROGRAM AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement in Music  
**Moriah Pfister**

Outstanding Undergraduate Performer in Music  
**Jeremiah Steele**

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement in Theatre  
**Elliott Jackson**

# ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

## DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY & POLITICAL SCIENCE AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement in Philosophy  
**Michael Rowse**

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement in Political Science  
**Jaxon Tolbert**

Outstanding Graduate Achievement in Public Affairs  
**Kristian Erskine**

## DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES AWARD

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement  
**Carl Buff**

## DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement - Psychological Sciences  
**Alyssa Harmon**

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement - Psychological Services  
**Isaac McGinn**

Outstanding Graduate Achievement  
**Kylene Street**

Outstanding Thesis Achievement  
**Carly Gray**

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY AWARD

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement  
**Lindsey Davis**

## DEPARTMENT OF WORLD LANGUES AND CULTURES AWARDS

Outstanding Undergraduate Achievement  
**Emily Kouba**

Taylor Gordon Memorial Award for Foreign Language  
**Tyrell Boddie**

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM AWARDS

Outstanding Ancient and Medieval Studies Student Award  
**Triston McWard**

Outstanding Global Studies Student Award  
**Tiffany Dinh**

Outstanding Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Student Award  
**David Cleland**