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Honors Convocation

SUNY
Cortland

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Program

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

Dr. Marina Gorelaya
Lecturer, Performing Arts

WELCOME

Dr. Erik J. Bitterbaum
President

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Bethany Griffin
Sophomore, Musical Theatre

CONVOCATION ADDRESS

Dr. Laura J. Panning Davies
Professor, English

DEPARTMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

School of Education
Dr. Andrea Lachance
Dean

School of Professional Studies
Dr. Eileen Gravani
Associate Dean

School of Arts and Sciences
Dr. R. Bruce Mattingly
Dean

CLOSING REMARKS

Dr. Mark J. Prus
Provost and Vice President, Academic Affairs

ALMA MATER

Bethany Griffin

RECESSIONAL

Dr. Marina Gorelaya

A reception will be held for the honorees, guests, faculty and staff immediately after the ceremony in back of Alumni Arena. Please join us.

University Representatives

PLATFORM PARTY

Dr. Erik J. Bitterbaum
President

Dr. Mark J. Prus
*Provost and Vice President,
Academic Affairs*

April Thompson
Chief of Staff, President's Office

Dr. Eileen Gravani
*Associate Dean,
School of Professional Studies*

Dr. Andrea Lachance
Dean, School of Education

Dr. R. Bruce Mattingly
Dean, School of Arts and Sciences

Dr. Laura J. Panning Davies
Professor, English

Dr. Frank Rossi
*SUNY Cortland Honors Program,
Representative; Professor, Chemistry*

KEYBOARDIST

Dr. Marina Gorelaya
Lecturer, Performing Arts

MACE BEARER

Dr. Susan Wilson
*Associate Professor and Chair,
Recreation, Parks and Leisure Studies*

GONFALONIERS

All-College

John Suarez
*Director, Institute for Civic Engagement;
Coordinator, Office of Service-Learning*

Arts and Sciences

Sean Nolan
Lecturer III, Physics

Education

Dr. Kim Wieczorek
*Associate Professor and Chair,
Childhood/Early Childhood Education*

Professional Studies

Dr. Alexis Blavos
Associate Professor, Health

SCHOOL LINE MARSHALS

Education

Dr. Kimberly Rombach '88, M '93
*Associate Professor,
Childhood/Early Childhood Education*

Professional Studies

Dr. Tara Mahoney
Associate Professor, Sport Management

Arts and Sciences

Dr. Vincent DeTuri
Associate Dean

FLOOR MARSHALS

Dr. Helena Baert
Associate Professor, Physical Education

Dr. Marcus Bell
*Diversity Faculty Fellow,
Sociology/Anthropology*

Dr. Steven Broyles
*SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor,
Biological Sciences*

Alyssa Jenkins '22
*Residence Hall Director,
Residence Life and Housing*

Taylor Larsen
*Residence Hall Director,
Residence Life and Housing*

Dr. Peter McGinnis
*SUNY Distinguished Service Professor,
Kinesiology*

Dr. Hollis Miller
*Assistant Professor, Anthropology,
Sociology/Anthropology*

Matthew Pitcher '12
*Senior Financial Aid Advisor and
Scholarship Coordinator, Financial Aid*

Dr. Mary Schlarb
Assistant Vice Provost, Academic Affairs

Convocation Address Speaker



Dr. Laura J. Panning Davies *Professor, English*

Dr. Laura J. Panning Davies is a prolific writer, dedicated educator and trusted administrator who has built programs to support students' growth as writers and learners. She is a respected scholar in the field of writing studies and has published widely on writing teacher pedagogy, student composing and reading practices, theories and practices of writing program administration, and histories of composition and rhetoric.

Davies, a professor in the English Department, joined the SUNY Cortland faculty in 2014 as an assistant professor and director of campus writing programs. In that role, she was responsible for curriculum development, assessment and faculty development in the SUNY Cortland first-year writing program and writing across the curriculum programs.

In 2021, she was selected to serve in the President's Cabinet, the highest level of campus leadership, in the critical position of chief of staff. Davies was a key advisor to the president on planning, decision-making and problem resolution. She advanced the president's leadership agenda through coordinated planning with the senior management team and collaborative working relationships with committees at all levels of the campus.

In 2022, she joined the author team for *They Say/I Say with Readings* (W. W. Norton & Co.), a best-selling first-year writing textbook used in thousands of college and high school classrooms across the United States. She also returned to the faculty as a professor in the English Department.

Davies holds a B.A. in history and English from Le Moyne College, an M.S.T. in English from the University of New Hampshire and a Ph.D. in composition and cultural rhetoric from Syracuse University.

The Top Five Percent

The students listed on the following pages represent the top five percent of their respective classes based on grade point averages recorded as of Feb. 1, 2023.

HONORS PROGRAM

An asterisk following a student's name indicates enrollment in the SUNY Cortland Honors Program as of Feb. 1, 2023.

GIFTS

Members of the top five percent of each class receive a pin from the university to acknowledge their outstanding academic achievement. The Cortland College Foundation and President's Office generously provide funds for these gifts.

Seniors

90 or more credit hours completed.
Cumulative grade point averages
range from 3.90 to 4.00.

Mackenzie Rose Ano

Adolescence Education: English

Levi Matthew Barnes

Biology

Carly Olivia Bastedo

Psychology

Leah Ann Bernhardt *

Graphic Design and Digital Media

Anna Marie Betkavsky

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

John David Bondi

Social Philosophy

Bettina Marie Bonfiglio *

Geographic Information Systems

Cynthia Lynn Briggs

Inclusive Childhood Education

Taylor Jade Brignall

Psychology

Kayla Nancy Brizzell

Speech and Hearing Science

Lawrence Jace Bruce *

English

Michael Joseph Bruck

Sport Management

Gianna Bruno

Adolescence Education: Mathematics

Logan Brooke Bufalini

Human Service Studies

Sarai Cabrera

Criminology

Dino Joseph Caloia

Adolescence Education: Mathematics

Paige Macauley Cameron

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Emily Elizabeth Ciccarino

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Kaitlyn Diane Clark

Adolescence Education: Physics and
Mathematics

Madison Cohen

Inclusive Childhood Education

Saige Dahlya Colon

Physical Education

Ryan Cory

Sport Management

Sam Adam Culwell

International Studies, Anthropology

Alyssa Leeanne Cusimano

Art Studio

Erin Rose Decker *

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Emily Christine Dejoy

Political Science

Trinity Dowling

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Sayrah Marie Durgan

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Nicholas Andrew Eastman

Political Science

Georgia Leann Evola

Inclusive Childhood Education

Kristin Farley *

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Elizabeth Pauline Feltis

Professional Writing

Kyle A. Fiske

Geographic Information Systems

Kathryn Eleanor Fleming

Speech and Hearing Science

Nina Elizabeth Frattasio

Political Science

Caesare German

Inclusive Childhood Education

Kylie Gilroy

Adolescence Education: English

Dianna Rose Glaser *

Inclusive Childhood Education

Cole Austen Goldstein *

Business Economics

Megan Roberta Haaland

Media Production

Kathryn Rose Hofmann

Sociology

Meira Nicole Hogan

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Casey Lynne Jashembowski

Inclusive Childhood Education

Ethan Carl Jensen

Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Kate Jensen *

Physical Education

Kaitlyn Nicole Kidder

Adolescence Education: Mathematics

Marie Harriett Kirkwyland

Sociology

Miranda Rae Kistner *

Adolescence Education: Spanish

Jessica Kwasnik

Physical Education

Mary Elizabeth Lavis

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Brittany Paige Ledda

Inclusive Childhood Education

Hannah Lizabeth Lee

Adolescence Education: Biology

Rachel K. Lee

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Catherine Lusardi

Communication Studies

Julia Stacy Maher

Adolescence Education: Mathematics

Reilly Mangano

Communication Studies

Julia Marjorie Mannix

Inclusive Childhood Education

Sarah Elizabeth Mastronardi

Criminology

Davi Abraham McCrea

Human Service Studies, Sociology

Morgan C. McGinley

Inclusive Childhood Education

Joseph Thomas Mcgrath

Exercise Science

Olivia Meserole

Inclusive Childhood Education

Jenna Rose Messina

Physical Education

Quinn Alexandra Metcalfe *

Biomedical Sciences

Angela Morris

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Annabella Marie Nilon *

Biomedical Sciences

Luke Norstad

Inclusive Childhood Education

Madison Ann O'Halloran

Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Kristin Elizabeth O'Regan

Exercise Science

McKenzie Marie Paladine

Psychology

Mya Parker

Exercise Science

The Top Five Percent

Jadelyn Phillips
Human Service Studies

Kassidee Violet Podest
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Marisa Procopio
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Emily Anne Ramsay
Exercise Science

Kylie Elaine Rejman *
Inclusive Early Childhood Education

Emily Alyssa Renna *
Criminology, Political Science

Elizabeth Eve Rice
Inclusive Childhood Education

Morgan Alice Richardson
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Jacob Thomas Robinson
New Communication Media, Art Studio

Peter Thrasher Rogati
Professional Writing

Roisin Bella Ross *
Adolescence Education: English

Jacquelyn Genevieve Ruf
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Carlie Salomon *
Psychology

Megan Antionette Sanchez
Physical Education

Jean-Andre Sassine
Communication Studies

Adam Schreiber
Sport Studies

Kaeleigh Marie Sciria
History

Rosalie Angeline Sheppard
Inclusive Childhood Education

Lily Simmons
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Kylea Sakura Skinner
Early Childhood and Childhood Education, Spanish

Piper Breeze Slocum *
Psychology

Margaux Calamel Spinali
Communication Studies

Jacqueline Josephine Spinelli
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Emma Catherine Stack
Adolescence Education: English

Jenna Steele
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Emma Stemples
Business Economics, Psychology

Brittany Ann Stenz
Inclusive Childhood Education

Cierra Stone
Inclusive Childhood Education

Lydia Elaine Sujkowski *
International Studies

Tyler L. Thomas
Therapeutic Recreation

Anthony Eugene Thompson
Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Madison Rose Thristino
Therapeutic Recreation

Emma Eyler Trulock
Inclusive Childhood Education

Leah Tsambazis
Business Economics, Communication Studies

Meaghan Lyn Uhlinger
Criminology, Psychology

Eleanna Julisa Ventura *
Inclusive Childhood Education

Anna Christina Verwij
Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Morgan Christine Weatherby
Health Education

Rachael Weber *
Mathematics

Brooke Marley Weeks
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Kaitlin Mary Weinmann
Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Samantha Jane Wender *
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Natalie Rose Witt *
Social Philosophy

Kaitlin Jia Wood
Inclusive Childhood Education

Kathryn Maureen Wood
Adolescence Education: Mathematics

Aaren J. Woodworth
Physical Education

Victoria Lynne Wright
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Sean Patrick Zupko *
Adolescence Education: Chemistry, Adolescence Education: Physics

Juniors

56.5 to 89.5 credit hours completed.
Cumulative grade point averages range from 3.89 to 4.00.

Megan Adams
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Virginia Mae Alvisi *
Graphic Design and Digital Media

Christina Arnold
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Cassidy Morgan Augstein
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Jonathan Daniel Baez
Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Allison Olivia Bierce
Healthcare Management

Sophia Isabella Boccio *
Adolescence Education: Chemistry

Jessica Leigh Bonville *
Inclusive Childhood Education

Julia Brown
Psychology

Veronica Madison Cantor
Inclusive Childhood Education

Bryce Patrick Carroll
Sport Management

Betsy L. Clasby
Art

Logan Alexander Comfort
Business Economics

Kevin James Covert
Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Caitlin Theresa Cunniffe
Inclusive Childhood Education

Elisabeth Maureen Daley *
Speech and Hearing Science

Hailey Elizabeth Danna
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Kellen Garrett Dickman
Biochemistry

Emma Grace Efing
Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Ashley Marie Ferraro *
Pre-Major

Isabella Toledo Ferreira
Psychology

Martin Leonard Flyntz *
Adolescence Education: English

Dana Elaine Garrison
Art Studio

Michael Anthony Gatto
Physical Education

Nora Rose Glover
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Zachary Nathan Goodman
Sport Management

Olivia Mary Grabowski
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Elizabeth Grace Gruszka
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Bailee Noel Guernsey *
Biology

Madison Louise Hanford
Sociology

Cassandra Mary Haskell
English

Helen Madeline Hausser
Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Margaret Jewett
Inclusive Childhood Education

Ryan E. Joule *
Pre-Major

The Top Five Percent

Brooke Lynn Judson

Psychology

Soren Carl Jung

Psychology

Harrison Wilson Kelly

Criminology

Joel M. Krick

History

Madison Anne Krouse

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Lauren Michelle Kruger

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Allyson Renee Lehman

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Mark Joseph Lichtenstein

Sport Management

Cherise Johanna Mack

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Emma Margaret Maertz

Inclusive Childhood Education

Ronald Joseph Marchese-Silano

Sport Management

Mikenzie Ann Martens

Physical Education

Riley Eileen Meckley

Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Madison Grace Meeker

Physical Education

Thomas Meeker

Mathematics

Kayla Elizabeth Melita

Adolescence Education: English

Dylan Morse

History

Cole Michael Mura

Biology

Lauren Murphy

Inclusive Childhood Education

Natalia Niebrzydowski

Psychology

Kaila Grace O'Hara

Mathematics

Trevor Daniel O'Hearn

Communication Studies

Bethan Inez Ouimette

Outdoor Recreation

Gabriella Nicole Pastore *

Adolescence Education: English

Ashton Patalidis

Sociology

Jasmilka Pena

Community Health

Katherine Pratt

Teaching English as a Second Language

Sebastian John Pumillo

Exercise Science

Tannu Punj

Political Science

Arianna Radovic

Community Health

Thomas George Rice *

Physical Education

Jack Shaw Riedell

Sport Management

Allyson Elizabeth Roth

Adolescence Education: Mathematics

Katharine Rudelic

Psychology

Dylan Aden Saltzman *

Business Economics

Olivia Rose Small *

Adolescence Education: Mathematics

Samantha Olivia Spencer

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Olivia Svitak

Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Michelle Nicole Tallini

Speech and Hearing Science

Erik Taylor

Business Economics

Brooke Catherine Tillotson *

Biomedical Sciences

Maria Joy Tripp

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Brian Andrew Tye

Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Mateo Valencia

Sport Management

Emily Lynn Vy

Inclusive Childhood Education

Sophia Gail Walker

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Emily Sue Woughter

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Megan Marie Wright

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Alexandra Juliet Zacek

Biomedical Sciences

Sophomores

25 to 56 credit hours completed.
Cumulative grade point averages range from 3.91-4.00.

Miranda Jade Aldrich

Psychology

Sophie Mae Amering *

Professional Writing

Vincent DJ Aquino

Psychology

Anna Irene Aubrey

Speech and Hearing Science

Evan Thomas Beaudry

Biology

Adriana Rose Bifulco *

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Isaiah Dulson Brunache

Exercise Science

Michael Nicholas Catoggio

Biomedical Sciences

Josephina Lucia Chapman

Psychology

Yasin Choukri

Business Economics

Eric Vincent Ciavatta

Adolescence Education: Mathematics

Aydan Coughlin

Psychology

Alyssa D'Ambrogio

Exercise Science

Julia Caroline Deturris

Exercise Science

Nicholas James Dicurcio

Sport Management

Griffin Patrick Doyle

Exercise Science

Tyler James Ferragamo

Sport Management

Travis Alan Firkins

Media Production

Elizabeth Anne Furcick

Exercise Science

Alex Garcia

Exercise Science

Laila Dane Goss *

Exercise Science

Kelly Ann Grusz

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Cole Hale Haldane

Exercise Science

Dylan Thomas Harter *

Political Science

Brooke Michaela Hathaway

Inclusive Childhood Education

Colin James Hughes

Sport Management

Kristin Danielle Ieva *

Speech and Hearing Science

Emma Louise Jackman

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Emilee Lyn Jeffrey

Early Childhood and Childhood Education

Keara Brooke Johnson

Biomedical Sciences

Evan Ganesh Kumar

Biology

Emma Louise Madigan

Psychology

Mackenzie Ryan Madison *

Inclusive Childhood Education

Matthew McDermott

Exercise Science

Christian Thomas McVicker

Adolescence Education: Earth Science

The Top Five Percent

Grace Lynne Metcalf *
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Ava Christine Miranov
Biomedical Sciences

Meghan Burke Miskovic
Community Health

Alanah Mary Myszka
Speech and Hearing Science

Gabrielle Taylor Nadler *
Sport Studies

Daniel Robert Patrick *
Biology

Colleen Theresa Patrie
Inclusive Childhood Education

Trevor Paul Persch
Exercise Science

Julia Gayle Peters
Inclusive Childhood Education

William James Quick
Physical Education

Morgan Shar Raymond *
Biomedical Sciences

Jacob Patrick Reilly
Business Economics

Haileigh Rebecca Rhodes
Environmental Geoscience

Ashley Siergiej *
Biology

Rie Maryalice Silber
Psychology

Allison Marie Simmons
Inclusive Childhood Education

Jayne Snyder
Psychology

Kendall Rose Sobczyk
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Melissa Rose Squillante
Psychology

Mason Stassi
Physics

Grace Susan Todd
Exercise Science

Jessica Valensisi
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Madelyn Grace Vetsch
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Ryan Daniel Watrous
Physical Education

Kimberly Grace Westenberg
Adolescence Education: Biology

Tara Marie Williams
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Lily Belle Woodis *
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Kaitlyn Grace Worden
Pre-Major

Ryder William Wynn *
History

John Lawrence Zelker
Physical Education

Freshmen

**12 to 25.5 credit hours completed.
Cumulative grade point averages
range from 3.83 to 4.00.**

Tristan Jason Alvisi
Physics and Engineering (3+2)

Hanah Margaret Armstrong
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Tyler Joseph Avelli
Physical Education

Faith Marie Bauer
Health Education

Brianna Marie Butler
Inclusive Childhood Education

Riley Lynne Byrnes
Speech and Hearing Science

Angelo Vittorio Centrone
Sport Management

Victoria Lorraine Colasuonno
Pre-Major

Daniel Conway
Exercise Science

Matthew Joseph Croote
Exercise Science

Catherine Shealin Crowley
Pre-Major

Kieran Currao
Adolescence Education: Social Studies

Christina Theresa Fatato
Physical Education

Jessica Adell Femano
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Scott Ferguson
Sport Management

Kate Meredith Field
Psychology

Elizabeth Grace Fitzpatrick
Musical Theatre

Shayla Dolores George
Psychology

Matthew Glick
Exercise Science

Heather Marie Hayes
Musical Theatre

Elijah Grant Johnson
Sport Management

Jacqueline Juarez
Economics

Sarah Naomi Kono
Chemistry

Lauren Paige Lewin
Speech and Hearing Science

Madeline L. Marinelli
Speech and Hearing Science

Corey James Matesanz
Business Economics

Sarah Mae McGrath
Pre-Major

Gianna Frances Mirigliano
Biomedical Sciences

Athanasia Friderika Misthos
Pre-Major

Connell Patrick O'Neill
Physical Education

Alexis Claire Peers
Inclusive Childhood Education

Katelyn Olivia Peshkur
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Michael Rebisz
Business Economics

Grace Patricia Reed
Pre-Major

Joseph Henry Rezendes
Exercise Science

Christopher John Rossi
Business Economics

Shannon Marie Scotto
Physical Education

Nicholas Serio
Business Economics

Ethan Shappee
Business Economics

Sara Diane Sinasohn
Musical Theatre

Emily Francis Smith
Adolescence Education: Spanish

Kuba Szulejko
Physics and Engineering (3+2)

Mackenzie Regan Talbot
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Bianca Trunfio
Early Childhood and Childhood
Education

Richard Thomas Verbouwens
Exercise Science

Chloe Wolfe
Psychology

Scholarships and Awards

Academic excellence is the primary criterion for all awards acknowledged at Honors Convocation. All recipients must have a grade point average of 3.0 or better.

Other student attributes are typically recognized as well and are provided in the award descriptions available at cortland.edu/honorsconvocation.

Many of the scholarships and awards are made possible by generous contributions from donors who are committed to investing in the promise of a SUNY Cortland education. The recipients on the following pages are listed by school — the School of Education, the School of Professional Studies and the School of Arts and Sciences. Each school houses the following majors:

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Early Childhood and Childhood Education
Inclusive Childhood Education
Inclusive Early Childhood Education
Selected Studies

SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

Coaching
Community Health
Exercise Science
Fitness Development
Health Education
Healthcare Management
Human Service Studies
Outdoor Recreation
Physical Education
Recreation
Recreation Management
Selected Studies
Speech and Hearing Science
Sport Management
Sport Studies
Therapeutic Recreation

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Adolescence Education (Grades 7-12)

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- English
- French
- French and Spanish
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Physics and Mathematics
- Social Studies
- Spanish

African American Studies
Anthropology
Archaeology
Art
Art Studio
Biochemistry
Biology
Biomedical Sciences
Business Economics
Chemistry
Cinema Study
Communication Studies
Conservation Biology
Criminology
Economics

Engineering (3+2)
English
Environmental Geoscience
French
Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
Geography
Geology
Graphic Design and Digital Media
History
Individualized Degree Program
International Studies
Mathematics
Musical Theatre
New Communication Media
Physics
Political Science
Pre-Major
Professional Writing
Psychology
Public Administration and Public Policy
Social Philosophy
Sociology
Spanish
Teaching English as a Second Language

School of Education

Marisa Diane Brown

Spina-Friedgen '71 Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Hailey Grace Daubman

Emilie A. Kudela Excellence in Advocacy and Early Childhood Education Award
Childhood/Early Childhood Education

Sayrah Marie Durgan

Kendra Nelson Memorial Award
Geography

Jordan M. Elser

Spina-Friedgen '71 Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Adriana V. Garcia

Excellence in Latino and Latin American Studies Award
Latino and Latin American Studies

Cameron Martin Hammer

Excellence in Elementary STEM Knowledge
Childhood/Early Childhood Education

Emma Lind Holland

Andrew M. Banse Award
Performing Arts

Madison Anne Krouse

Alpha Delta Junior Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Julia Marjorie Mannix

Inclusive Education Award
Foundations and Social Advocacy

Gina Nicole Meyers

Excellence in Teaching Performance
Childhood/Early Childhood Education

Mikayla Anne Moulton

Helen E. Smith Award for Excellence in Student Teaching
Childhood/Early Childhood Education

Kylea Sakura Skinner

Award for Excellence in Spanish
Modern Languages

Eleanna Julisa Ventura

Cortland's Urban Recruitment of Educators (C.U.R.E.) Award
Foundations and Social Advocacy

Emily Lynn Vy

Spina-Friedgen '71 Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Brooke Marley Weeks

Del Ivan Janik Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Shakespeare Studies
English

Victoria Lynne Wright

Senior Award for Academic Excellence
Childhood/Early Childhood Education

Scholarships and Awards

School of Professional Studies

Brady Owen Andrews

T. Fred Holloway Award
Physical Education

Ian James Avossa

Outstanding Senior in Coaching
Kinesiology

Nicole Rose Bellettiere

Outstanding Senior Student in Sport Management
Sport Management

Collin Matthew Campbell

Francis J. Moench 1916 Award
Physical Education

Saige Dahlya Colon

Dorothy Arnsdorff Award
Physical Education

Elisabeth Maureen Daley

Judith Smith Kelemen Junior Award
Communication Disorders and Sciences

Katilynn N. Ferguson

Ross L. Allen Award
Health

Melinda Anne Gardner

Jay '66 and Bettie Lee Yerka Scholarship for Excellence in Recreation and Leisure Studies
Recreation, Parks and Leisure Studies

Kellyn Grace Gregory

Judith Smith Kelemen Senior Award
Communication Disorders and Sciences

Forlenda Marcia Hunte

Outstanding Senior Student in Exercise Science
Kinesiology

Tasnim Haq Islam

Katherine Allen Whitaker Award
Health

Kate Jensen

Bessie L. Park 1901 Award
Physical Education

Sigal Shelly Keren

Communication Disorders and Sciences Professional Promise Award
Communication Disorders and Sciences

Grayson Lane

Alpha Delta Junior Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Alex Justin Lessman

Alpha Delta Junior Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Samantha Grace Mckay

Past Presidents Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Madison Marguerite Monaghan

John "Jack" MacPhee Award
Recreation, Parks and Leisure Studies

Keegan Monette

Spina-Friedgen '71 Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Allison Rose Montes De Oca

Joseph F. Governali Award for Excellence in Health Education
Health

Sarah Norovich

D. Jo Schaffer Scholarship in Art and Art History
Art and Art History

Anika Parnell

Class of '67 Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

James Gabriel Paterson

Spina-Friedgen '71 Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Jasmilka Pena

Past Presidents Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Morgan Elizabeth Proulx

Past Presidents Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Grace Patricia Reed

Peter F. Eisenhardt '67 Award for Learning Communities
All-College

Olivia Restey

Charles N. Poskanzer Award
Health

Clayton Hartley Schmale

Past Presidents Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Thomas L. Goodale '61 and Sonja D. Goodale Community Service Scholarship
Recreation, Parks and Leisure Studies

Adam Schreiber

Outstanding Senior Student in Sport Studies
Kinesiology

Audrey Rose Silva

Outstanding Senior Student in Fitness Development
Kinesiology

Simon Uhl

Peter F. Eisenhardt '67 Award for Learning Communities
All-College

Tyler Lee Vance

Harlan "Gold" Metcalf Award
Recreation, Parks and Leisure Studies

Morgan Christine Weatherby

James F. Casey '50 Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

School of Arts and Sciences

Virginia Mae Alvisi

J. Catherine Gibian Award for Excellence in Art History
Art and Art History

Nicadamus Raven Atkins

Academic Excellence in Economics
Economics

Carly Olivia Bastedo

Senior Psychology Major Achievement Award
Psychology

John David Bondi

Outstanding Achievement in Social Philosophy
Philosophy

Thomas Alan Briand

Award for Excellence in Adolescence Education: French and Spanish
Modern Languages

Virginia Levine, Ph.D. Scholarship
Modern Languages

Sarai Cabrera

Criminology Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement
Sociology/Anthropology

Scholarships and Awards

Dino Joseph Caloia

Computer Applications Academic Achievement Award

Computer Applications Program

Esra Ceker

Award for Excellence in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Modern Languages

Christina Elise Chueiri

Outstanding Teacher Potential in Biological Sciences

Biological Sciences

Adia Elizabeth Clarke

Marion C. Thompson Memorial Scholarship

English

Betsy L. Clasby

Alpha Kappa Phi/Agonian/Tri Sig/Sigma Rho Sigma Scholarship

Alumni Association

Gerald N. Digiusto Scholarship

Art and Art History

Ava Rose Comeaux

Peter F. Eisenhardt '67 Award for Learning Communities

All-College

Meghan Elizabeth Conley

Marion C. Thompson Memorial Scholarship

English

Sam Adam Culwell

Sidney R. Waldron Award for Academic Excellence

International Studies

Rachel Joyce Curatolo

W. Graham Heaslip Award for Research Excellence

Geology

Alyssa Leeanne Cusimano

Gerald N. Digiusto Award for Excellence in Studio Art

Art and Art History

Darien Craig Defrancesco

Peter F. Eisenhardt '67 Award for Learning Communities

All-College

Emily Christine Dejoy

Award for Outstanding Achievement in Law and Justice

Political Science

Pi Sigma Alpha Senior Award for Best Portfolio

Political Science

Frank Obeng Denteh

Barry L. Batzing Scholarship

Biological Sciences

Nicholas Andrew Eastman

William Rogers Memorial Award for Excellence in Political Science

Political Science

Emma Grace Efang

Alpha Delta Junior Scholarship

Cortland College Foundation

Leonard F. Ralston Award

History

Outstanding Paper in Historical Methods

History

Christopher Faherty

Dr. Peter Jeffers Scholarship

Chemistry

Haley Lynn Ferrara

Class of '67 Scholarship Cortland

College Foundation

Marion C. Thompson Memorial Scholarship

English

Keyonna Jeanne Fieser

James McKee Memorial Award

Africana Studies

Austen James Gardner

William Joseph Phelps '69 Scholarship

Physics

Dana Elaine Garrison

Gerald N. Digiusto Scholarship

Art and Art History

Nicholas Gehring

Outstanding Senior Physics Major Award

Physics

Sophia Katherine Genao

John L. Fauth Award for Professional Promise

Geology

Deanna Nicole Gilman

Archaeology Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement

Sociology/Anthropology

Hannah Kay Goodwin

The Psychology Research Award

Psychology

Dominic Green

Adams-Hill Theatre Award

Performing Arts

Sophia Quinn Greene

Academic Achievement and Service Award

Economics

Bethany Rose Griffin

Charles T. Griffes Music Scholarship

Performing Arts

Liam James Grill

Award for Excellence in Adolescence Education: French

Modern Languages

Rosemarie Ashley Groesbeck

Non-Traditional Student Major Achievement Award

Psychology

Cassandra Mary Haskell

Van Akin Burd Memorial Scholarship in English

English

Van Akin Burd Prize

English

Jona Thomas Hildreth

Faculty Award for Academic Achievement

Economics

Jillian Hlasnick

Gerald M. Surette Scholarship In Political Economy

Economics

Matthew Brian Jahn

Chair's Award for Academic Excellence

Economics

Jordan Lee King

Junior Psychology Major Achievement Award

Psychology

Marie Harriett Kirkwyland

Rozanne M. Brooks Sociology Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement

Sociology/Anthropology

Miranda Rae Kistner

Award for Excellence in Adolescence Education: Spanish

Modern Languages

Sarah Naomi Kono

Chemical Rubber Company (C.R.C.) Press Award for Outstanding Student in General Chemistry

Chemistry

Katherine Elisabeth Kressner

Muriel and Newell Keegan Prize for Excellence in Art

Art and Art History

Ryan Matthew Lerner

Alpha Delta Junior Scholarship

Cortland College Foundation

Scholarships and Awards

Julia Stacy Maher

Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics by a Senior
Mathematics

Reilly Mangano

Laura Horsman '90 Memorial Award
Communication and Media Studies

Sarah Mae McGrath

Peter F. Eisenhardt '67 Award for Learning Communities
All-College

Thomas Meeker

David L. Pugh Award for Superior Achievement in Mathematics by a Junior
Mathematics

Kayla Elizabeth Melita

Alpha Delta Junior Scholarship
Cortland College Foundation

Emily Mary Miller

Aldo Leopold Award
Biological Sciences

Evan Michael Morse

Anthropolgy Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement
Sociology/Anthropology

Adriana Carolina Nieto

W. Maxwell Hawkins Award for Academic Excellence
Geology

Annabella Marie Nilon

Dr. Norman B. Reynolds Memorial Award
Biological Sciences

Calistus Nwuzor

Peter F. Eisenhardt '67 Award for Learning Communities
All-College

Tannu Punn

Robert and Teresa Spitzer M '89 Award for Excellence in Political Science
Political Science

Victoria Catherine Recco

M. Eugene Bierbaum Award
Communication and Media Studies

Jacob Patrick Reilly

Gerald M. Surette Scholarship in Political Economy
Economics

Haileigh Rebecca Rhodes

Peter F. Eisenhardt '67 Award for Learning Communities
All-College

Owen Rodriguez

Outstanding Senior Seminar Paper
History

Allyson Elizabeth Roth

Superior Achievement in Mathematics by a Junior
Mathematics

Carlie Salomon

Psychology Academic Excellence Award
Psychology

Jean-Andre Sassine

Thomas O. Mwanika Award
Communication and Media Studies

Angel Alexa Schwartz

Award for Excellence in Understanding Multicultural and Gender Issues
Center for Gender and Intercultural Studies

Kaeleigh Marie Sciria

Walter Hanchett Award
History

Elizabeth Marie Serafin

Dr. Willis R. Newman Scholarship
Biological Sciences

Margaux Calamel Spinali

Ann C. Allen Memorial Award
Communication and Media Studies

Emma Stemples

Fred Hanga Jr. Memorial Award for Excellence in Business Economics
Economics

Caroline Mariah Sweikata

Fr. Edward J. O'Heron Scholarship
English

Benjamin Lee Tainter

Award for Excellence in French
Modern Languages

Kelly Valerie Tait

Pi Sigma Alpha Award for Best Paper
Political Science

Katelyn Lauren Thompson

Alpha Kappa Phi/Agonian/Tri Sig/Sigma Rho Sigma Scholarship
Alumni Association

Kayla Summer Tiedemann

Dr. Arden P. Zipp Scholarship
Chemistry

Trinity Marie Tobin

Outstanding Student Research in Biological Sciences
Biological Sciences

Isabella Grace Tomasulo

Award for Outstanding Achievement in Public Administration and Public Policy
Political Science

Zachary Randall Turlington

Outstanding Student Research in Chemistry
Chemistry

Top Graduating Senior in Chemistry
Chemistry

Jenna Lynn Wood

Marion C. Thompson Memorial Scholarship
English

Robert Rhodes '53 Scholarship
English

Kathryn Maureen Wood

William H. Reynolds Award for Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics by a Senior
Mathematics

Dante James Yacavone

Olive C. Fish Award
Geography

Residence Hall Award

Dragon Hall

Donald Parish Brooks Scholarship
Recognizes the residence hall having the highest cumulative average.

Top Seniors

The following students have achieved a cumulative grade point average of 4.0 as of Feb. 1, 2023.

School of Arts and Sciences

Levi Matthew Barnes
Carly Olivia Bastedo
Taylor Jade Brignall
Elizabeth Pauline Feltis
Kyle A. Fiske
Marie Harriett Kirkwyland
Hannah Elizabeth Lee
Kaeleigh Marie Sciria
Lydia Elaine Sujkowski

School of Professional Studies

Mya Parker
Emily Anne Ramsay
Morgan Christine Weatherby

School of Education

Julia Marjorie Mannix
Kylie Elaine Rejman
Jenna Steele

2023 Honors Convocation Committee

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Professor, Kinesiology*

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Dr. Vincent DeTuri

Associate Dean, Arts and Sciences

Denise DuBrava

Supervising Janitor, Custodial Services

Samantha Howell

Special Events Coordinator, Special Events for the President

Dr. Tara Mahoney

Associate Professor, Sport Management

Carolynn MacNay-Knight

Catering Manager, SUNY Cortland Auxiliary Services

Matthew Pitcher '12

*Senior Financial Aid Advisor and Scholarship Coordinator,
Financial Aid*

Monica Ryan

Manager of Editorial Services, Marketing

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April Thompson

*Committee Co-chair
Chief of Staff, President's Office*

Chris Valenti

Assistant Director, Information Systems and Security

Dr. Ryan Vooris '08

Associate Professor and Chair, Sport Management

Alma Mater

By lofty elm trees shaded round,
Tioughnioga near,
Our grand old Cortland College stands,
To all of us how dear!
We'll sing to thee, dear Alma Mater,
Of love that shall never die,
We'll strive for thy glory eternal,
Keep thy stainless honor high.
Inspiring each son and each daughter
The noblest aims to try,
All thy fame and thy spirit,
Thy might are ours
As the swift years hurry by.



