

# Non-Traditional Student Newsletter

May 2023

Congratulations to our 2023 Graduates!!



## Non-Traditional Student Graduation Cords

Cords are available to those who are graduating this year. Please stop by Advisement and Transition, Brockway Hall Jacobus Lounge (Room 221), to pick up your set of cords (purple and yellow). Cords are courtesy of the Non-Traditional Student Organization and are available while supplies last.



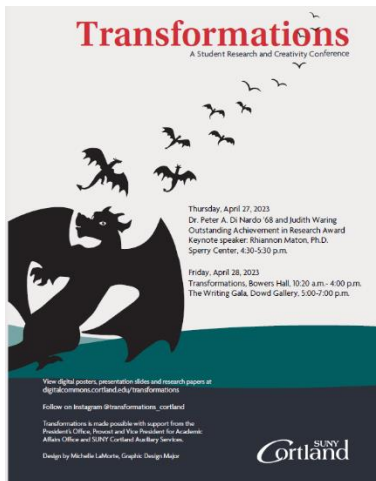
## Student Select '23

Congratulations to the following non-traditional students who had their artwork chosen for the Annual Student Select Exhibit. You can see their artwork at the Dowd Gallery, Monday, April 24-Saturday, May 13.

Dillon Boyack  
Firat Ercan

Gabriel Carraher  
Michelle LaMorte

Betsy Clasby



## Transformations Update

The artwork for Transformations was designed by our fellow non-traditional student, Michelle LaMorte, who is a Graphic Design and Digital Media major.

## Unintentional Omissions

The following recognition was erroneously omitted from last month's newsletter:

Patricia Parshall - President's List and is a new member of Tau Sigma Honor Society

## Honors Convocations

Honors Convocation was held on Saturday, April 22, 2023 in the Park Center Alumni Arena.

### Top 5% for Seniors

Anna Betkavsky  
John Bondi  
Paige Cameron  
Elizabeth Feltis

Caesare German  
Catherine Lusardi  
Davi McCrea  
Mya Parker

Tyler Thomas  
Aaron Woodworth

### Top 5% for Juniors

Betsy Clasby

Cassandra Haskell

Soren Jung

## Award and Scholarship Winners

Nicadamus Atkins

*Academic Excellence in Economics Award*

John Bondi

*Outstanding Achievement in Social Philosophy*

Betsy Clasby

*Gerald N. Diguisto Scholarship*

Kaitlynn Ferguson

*Ross L. Allen Award*

Keyonna Fleser

*James McKee Memorial Award*

Melinda Gardner

*Jay '66 and Bettie Lee Yorka Scholarship for Excellence in Recreation and Leisure Studies*

Rosemarie Groeseck

*Non-Traditional Student Major Achievement Award, Psychology*

Cassandra Haskell

*Van Akin Burd Memorial Scholarship in English and Van Burd Prize*

Matthew Jahn

*Chair's Award for Academic Excellence in Economics*

Jordan King

*Junior Psychology Major Achievement Award*

James Paterson

*Spina-Friedgen '71 Scholarship*

Kelly Tait

*Pi Sigma Alpha Award for Best Paper, Political Science*

Tyler Thomas Vance

*Harlan "Gold" Metcalf Award*

Photos from Honors Convocation (photo credit to SUNY Cortland)



## Congratulations to our Alpha Sigma Lambda Members

Eleven non-traditional students were inducted into the Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society on Tuesday, April 18, 2023. This honor society is for students 24 and older, who have 24 credits at Cortland completed and have a minimum GPA of 3.2. Students had from that group had to have a minimum of a 3.74 to be eligible this spring for induction.

John Bondi	John King
Ian Durso	Michelle LaMorte
Caesare German	Catherine Lusardi
Andrea Giuliano	Natalya Shatskikh
Cassandra Haskell	Tyler Thomas
Soren Jung	



## The Non-Traditional Student Organization Needs You for Next Year!

Do you enjoy the events and food socials offered? If so, remember these activities do not happen without volunteers, like yourself, organizing them. Are you interested in volunteering a small amount of time and talents? A little bit of time makes a big impact. Available positions are President, Vice President, and Secretary.

If you are interested in helping, please contact [Cheryl Smith](#), Club Advisor.

## Non-Traditional Student Lounge to close at 4 p.m. on May 12 for the Summer



The lounge will be closing at 4 p.m. Friday, May 12 for the summer. Please clear out food items as they will need to be thrown away. The lounge will reopen on Monday, August 28.

## Changes to Your Fall Class Schedule

Reminder: You may make changes to your fall 2023 schedule in myRedDragon through 4 p.m. on Friday, September 1. Be sure to hold onto your PIN as it will be needed through August 27. No pin is needed during drop/add week of August 28-September 1 through 4 p.m.



## New Facebook Page

Please look for our new SUNY Cortland Non-Traditional Students Facebook page starting this summer and follow us at Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/cortlandnontrads>

## Mark Your Calendars!

Friday, May 5  
Last Day of Classes

Monday, May 8 through Friday, May 12  
Final Exams

Saturday, March 13  
Undergraduate Commencement Ceremonies

### [Summer Session](#)

Wednesday, May 17-Tuesday, August 1  
Full Summer Session (10-week)

Wednesday, May 17- Thursday, June 22  
Summer Session 1

Monday, June 26-Tuesday, August 1  
Summer Session 2

Monday, August 28  
Fall 2023 Semester Begins

## Saying Good-bye

This will be my last newsletter to you. I will be retiring from SUNY Cortland at the end of May after 33 years with NYS. I've been the Coordinator of Non-Traditional Student Support since August 2006. I have met so many wonderful adult students, many whom have become friends. Each one of you has a unique life story and I have enjoyed getting to know you. As a former non-traditional student (class of 2005), I recognized some of my own story in many of you. Your experiences have touched my heart and made me value the time I spent at SUNY Cortland more. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact [Advisement and Transition](#).

I wish you nothing but happiness and good health in your future.

Respectfully,

*Cheryl*

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