

ARIZONA STUDENT-ATHLETE

CONVOCATION

THURSDAY

MAY 9, 2024

MCKALE MEMORIAL CENTER



THE WILDCAT WAY

I AM. I CAN. I WILL.

OUR CAMPUS VALUES

INTEGRITY

COMPASSION

EXPLORATION

ADAPTATION

INCLUSION

DETERMINATION

THE WILDCAT WAY CREED

WE ARE ARIZONA WILDCATS

As we stand in the great space of opportunity, we will contribute more, accomplish more, be more. We are leaders, and we live the Wildcat Way.

2024 SENIOR AWARD ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

STUDENT-ATHLETE CO-VALEDICTORIANS



MAYA BENITA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION,
FINANCE



TAYLOR RASKIN

BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE, RETAILING
& CONSUMER SCIENCE

STUDENT-ATHLETE SALUTATORIAN



MACKENNA ORIE

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION,
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS

To be named an Academic Champion, a student-athlete must achieve a 3.0 cumulative GPA (fall, spring, summer) or higher in the classroom. This year, we recognize a total of 72 academic champions in the 2024 graduating class.

2024 SENIOR AWARD ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

RUBY AND SAPPHIRE AWARDS

In 1996, The University of Arizona Department of Intercollegiate Athletics created the Ruby and Sapphire Awards to recognize the top male and female student-athletes. These awards are the highest honors bestowed upon current University of Arizona student-athletes. They are given to senior student-athletes who have achieved the greatest success athletically, and have also excelled in academics, personal development, and community service. The H.N. and Frances Berger Endowed Athletics Scholarship Fund honors the recipients of the Ruby and Sapphire Awards.

RUBY AWARD NOMINEES

▶ **HELENA PUEYO MELCHOR**

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

▶ **GILE BITE STARKUTE**

WOMEN'S GOLF

▶ **HOPE HISEY**

SOCCER

▶ **ALLIE SKAGGS**

SOFTBALL

▶ **SOFIA MALDONADO DIAZ**

VOLLEYBALL

RUBY AWARD WINNER



▶ **ALLIE SKAGGS**

SOFTBALL

SAPPHIRE AWARD NOMINEES

▶ **DAWSON NETZ**

BASEBALL

▶ **JORDAN MORGAN**

FOOTBALL

▶ **BJORN MARKENTIN**

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

▶ **GUSTAF STROM**

MEN'S TENNIS

▶ **TRAYVION WHITE-AUSTIN**

MEN'S TRACK & FIELD

SAPPHIRE AWARD WINNER



▶ **JORDAN MORGAN**

FOOTBALL

2024 SENIOR AWARD ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Community Service Award – Annually the Athletic department recognizes two student-athletes who have the most hours of community service. This year, one of the awardees was senior Maki Bispham. She has volunteered over 280 hours throughout her time at Arizona.



MAKI BISPHAM
280 HOURS
BEACH VOLLEYBALL

ALL-AMERICA CAREER ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Being named an All-American is one of the greatest accomplishments a student-athlete can obtain in their careers. The classification means you are one of the best at your sport in the nation. The following senior student-athletes have been named an All-American in their sport during their career as a Wildcat.

ATHLETIC ALL-AMERICANS

▶ **DELANEY SCHNELL**

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

▶ **AMALIE MORTENSEN**

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

▶ **YOUSSEF KOUDSSI**

MEN'S TRACK & FIELD

▶ **RYAN FOOTE**

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

▶ **BJORN MARKETIN**

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

▶ **KYLE OSTENDORP**

FOOTBALL

▶ **PELLE LARSON**

MEN'S BASKETBALL

▶ **DELANEY SCHNELL**

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

2024 ARIZONA ATHLETICS CONVOCATION PROGRAM

WELCOME

BRIAN JEFFRIES
VOICE OF THE WILDCATS

NATIONAL ANTHEM

OPENING REMARKS

DR. DESIRÉE REED-FRANCOIS, J.D.

VICE PRESIDENT,
DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

DR. GAIL BURD, PH.D.

SENIOR VICE PROVOST FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, TEACHING, AND LEARNING,
DISTINGUISHED PROFESSOR IN MOLECULAR & CELLULAR BIOLOGY

SENIOR ALL-AMERICAN ACKNOWLEDGMENT

RUBY SAPPHIRE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

LETTERWINNERS PROGRAM

TARA BRUCE

ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR FOR
ENGAGEMENT AND A-CLUB LETTERWINNERS

CATS FOREVER PROGRAM

ANTOINE JERMAINE SINGFIELD

BACHELOR OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES,
SOCIAL BEHAVIOR & HUMAN UNDERSTANDING

ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STUDENT-ATHLETE VALEDICTORIAN RECOGNITION AND REMARKS

MAYA BENITA

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS
ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE

TAYLOR RASKIN

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE,
RETAILING & CONSUMER SCIENCE

PRESENTATION OF DEGREE CANDIDATES

DR. CHRISTINE L. SALVESEN, PH.D.

CHIEF RETENTION OFFICER AND ASSOCIATE VICE PROVOST,
STUDENT SUCCESS AND RETENTION INNOVATION

DR. RICARDO VALERDI, PH.D.

DISTINGUISHED OUTREACH PROFESSOR AND HEAD,
DEPARTMENT OF SYSTEMS & INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING
FACULTY ATHLETICS REPRESENTATIVE

CLOSING REMARKS

2024 DEGREE CANDIDATES

¹ - Indicates First Cat (First-Generation College Student)

Δ - Indicates students with more than one major

◊ - Indicates Athletic All-American Honor during their career

^c - Indicates Academic Champion, student who earned a GPA of 3.0 or higher (combined Fall, Spring, Summer)

◆ - Indicates Academic All-American Honor during their career

SOFTBALL

HEAD COACH, CAITLIN LOWE

BLAISE BIRINGER ^c

Bachelor of Arts, Communication

ALI BLANCHARD ^c

Graduate Certificate,
Real Estate Development Finance

JASMINE PEREZCHICA ^c

Bachelor of Arts, Communication

CARLIE SCUPIN ^c

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Marketing

ALLIE SKAGGS ^c

Bachelor of Arts, Journalism

WOMEN'S TENNIS

HEAD COACH, RYAN STOTLAND

BRANDELYN FULGENZI

Graduate Certificate, Real Estate Development Analysis

KAYLA WILKINS ^c

Graduate Certificate, Statistics and Data Science

MEN'S TENNIS

HEAD COACH, CLANCY SHIELDS

HERMAN HAGEN HOEYERAAL

Bachelor of Arts, Economics

NICK LAGAEV ^c

Bachelor of Science, Nutritional Sciences

GUSTAF STROM ^c

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Management Information Systems

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

HEAD COACH, ADIA BARNES

SALIMATOU KOUROUMA

Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies, Sports and Society

ESMERY MARTINEZ

Graduate Certificate, Health Administration

HELENA PUEYO MELCHOR ^c

Graduate Certificate, Health Administration

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

HEAD COACH, FRED HARVEY

AVA DAVID ^c

Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences,
Physiology & Medical Sciences

LAURYN FORD ¹

Bachelor of Arts, Communications

SAILOR HUTTON ^{1c}

Master of Public Health, Public Health

JOHN MITCHELL ^c

Graduate Certificate, Human Rights Practice

PRESLEY MONEY ^c

Bachelor of Arts, Communication

ATHENA MONTGOMERY ^c

Bachelor of Science, Psychological Science

MACKENNA ORIE ^c

Bachelor of Arts in Education, Elementary Education,

RYLEE PERKINS ^c

Bachelor of Science, Public Health

MORGAN RHETT

Bachelor of Science,
Urban and Regional Development

XAHRIA SANTIAGO ^c

Graduate Certificate, Geographic Information Science

MEN'S TRACK & FIELD

HEAD COACH, FRED HARVEY

BRANDON BOUNDS ^c

Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering,
Biomedical Engineering

JOSEPH GREEN

Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Economy and Industry

2024 DEGREE CANDIDATES

LOGAN HASHER [◻]

Bachelor of Arts, Economics

TANNER KIPPES [△]

*Bachelor of General Studies, Sports and Society
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology*

YOUSSEF KOUDSSI ^{◻◦}

*Masters in Healthcare Management,
Healthcare Management*

ZACH LANDA [◻]

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology

JARED BRUCE O'RILEY [◻]

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Finance

JACOB ALLEN SHEA SAMFORD

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Sports and Society*

TRAYVION WHITE-AUSTIN

Bachelor of Science, Information Science

BASEBALL

HEAD COACH, CHIP HALE

CLARK CANDIOTTI

Graduate Certificate, Real Estate Development Analysis

GAREN CAULFIELD [◻]

Bachelor of General Studies, Sports and Society

TREVOR LONG [◻]

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Finance

BLAKE MCDONALD

Graduate Certificate, Real Estate Development Practice

JAEDEN SWANBERG

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Economy and Industry*

CAMERON JOSEPH WALTY ^{1◻}

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Science, Technology, Health & Society*

MEN'S BASKETBALL

HEAD COACH, TOMMY LLOYD

OUMAR BALLO

Bachelor of General Studies, Sports and Society

PELLE LARSSON ^{◻♦}

*Bachelor of Arts, Applied Humanities,
Business Administration*

TAUTVILAS TUBELIS

Bachelor of Arts, Communication

GRANT WEITMAN [◻]

*Bachelor of Arts, Applied Humanities,
Business Administration*

SOCCER

HEAD COACH, BECCA MOROS

MEGAN CHELF [◻]

Bachelor of Science, Nutritional Sciences

GIANNA CHRISTIANSEN [◻]

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Business Management*

NICOLE DALLIN ^{1◻}

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

JORDAN HALL [◻]

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology

GRACE KLOSINSKI [◻]

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Business Management*

HANNAH MITCHELL [◻]

Master of Legal Studies, Legal Studies

SARAH RICE [◻]

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology

JASMINE YOUNG [◻]

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Management Information Systems*

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

HEAD COACH, STEVE WALKER

MAKI BISPHAM [◻]

Bachelor of Science, Care, Health and Society

GRACE COOK [◻]

Master of Science, Marketing

MIRANDA ERRO [◻]

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology

2024 DEGREE CANDIDATES

MADELYN MAY NOBLE

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Business Management*

ABIGAIL RUSSELL [◐]

Bachelor of Arts, Environmental Studies

HOPE SHANNON [◐]

Master of Science, Marketing

WOMEN'S GOLF

HEAD COACH, LAURA IANELLO

MAYA BENITA [◐]

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Finance

GILE BITE STARKUTE [◐]

Master of Science, Marketing

MEN'S GOLF

HEAD COACH, JIM ANDERSON

AIDRIC JOSE CHAN

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Accounting

SAMUEL SOMMERHAUSER

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Marketing

GYMNASTICS

HEAD COACH, JOHN COURT

LARA BURHANS [◐]

Bachelor of Science, Biochemistry

JESSICA CASTLES [◐]

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Marketing*

MADISON COURNEY [◐]

Bachelor of Science, Nutritional Sciences

ELENA DEETS [◐]

*Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences,
Physiology & Medical Sciences*

CAROLINE HERRY [◐]

Bachelor of Science, Retailing & Consumer Science

BAILEY MCCABE [◐]

*Bachelor of Science, Speech,
Language & Hearing Science*

TAYLOR RASKIN [◐]

Bachelor of Science, Retailing & Consumer Sciences

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

ASSISTANT COACH, AMANDA BEARD

DAISY ANDERSON ^{1◐}

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Economy and Industry*

GRACE ANDERSON [◐]

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology

MADELINE BURT [◐]

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology

JULIA HEIMSTEAD ^{◐Δ}

Bachelor of Arts, Law & Political Science

TIA LINDSAY [◐]

Bachelor of Science, Urban and Regional Development

AMALIE SØBY MORTENSEN ^{1◐◦}

Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice Studies

ALEXA PUCCINI [◐]

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Sports and Society*

DELANEY SCHNELL ^{◐◊◦}

Master of Science, Speech, Language & Hearing Science

ELISABETH TIMMER

Master of Engineering, Aerospace Systems

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

ASSISTANT COACH, AMANDA BEARD

RILEY BABSON

Master of Science, Business Analytics

AUSTIN FLAUTE ^{1◐}

Master of Architecture, Architecture

RYAN FOOTE [◦]

Bachelor of Science, Nutritional Sciences

JACOB HAND

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Business Management*

EVAN HOLT

Bachelor of General Studies, Sports and Society

2024 DEGREE CANDIDATES

OGNJEN MARIC

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Business Management*

BJORN MARKENTIN^o

*Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences,
Physiology & Medical Sciences*

RYAN PURDY^c

*Bachelor of Science, Leadership and Learning
Innovation*

BROOKS TANER

Bachelor of Science, Biology

TRIATHLON

HEAD COACH, WES JOHNSON

GRACE REEDER^c

*Bachelor of Science, Human Development &
Family Science*

VOLLEYBALL

HEAD COACH, CHARITA STUBBS

JAELYN SAMANTHA HODGE^c

Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice Studies

SOFIA MALDONADO DIAZ

Bachelor of Arts, Studio Art

FOOTBALL

HEAD COACH, BRENT BRENNAN

JOSH BAKER^c

Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice Studies

JADEN CLARK

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Business Management*

JOHN THOMAS HAND^c

Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice Studies

JASON HARRIS

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Social Behavior & Human Understanding*

KAMERON HAWKINS^{1c}

*Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
Business Management*

MONTANA LEMONIOUS-CRAIG

Graduate Certificate, Real Estate Development Practice

STEVEN TYLER LOOP^c

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Marketing

LEIF MAGNUSON^c

Bachelor of Science, Urban and Regional Development

GUNNER MALDONADO^c

Bachelor of Science, Urban and Regional Development

ROBERTO MIRANDA^c

Bachelor of Science, Literacy Learning & Leadership

BILL NORTON^c

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Social Behavior & Human Understanding*

KYLE OSTENDORP^c♦

Master of Science, Aerospace Engineering

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Bachelor of Arts, Geography

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Bachelor of Arts, Sociology

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*Bachelor of General Studies,
Social Behavior & Human Understanding*

TREYDAN STUKES

Bachelor of General Studies, Sports and Society

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Bachelor of Science, Literacy Learning & Leadership

CATS FOREVER

JENNIFER MEWES, PH. D.

**SENIOR ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
FOR C.A.T.S. ACADEMICS**

COLTON MOORE^c BASEBALL

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Social Behavior & Human Understanding*

KONNER WADE BASEBALL

Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies, Sports and Society

ANTOINE JERMAINE SINGFIELD FOOTBALL

*Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies,
Social Behavior & Human Understanding*

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C.A.T.S. ACADEMICS

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Assistant Director, C.A.T.S. Clinical & Sport Psychology

MYKAL MANSWELL, M.S., LAC

Athletics Counselor

GINNY L. CLEMENTS ACADEMIC CENTER



Noted community leader Ginny L. Clements committed \$3 million to the University of Arizona to assist with the construction costs of Arizona Athletics' new academic center that opened on October 28, 2016. This gift, grouped with the \$2.5 million donation from Andrew and Kirsten Braccia, the \$1 million commitment from Dr. David Lapan and family, \$500,000 of Steve and Margot Kerr's previously announced \$1 million donation, and a \$500,000 anonymous gift, assisted in funding the facility now known as the Ginny L. Clements Academic Center.

Clements was the Chairman of the Board of Golden Eagle Distributors, Inc., and prior to her retirement from the day-to-day operations in 2003, she held the positions of Chairman, CEO and Treasurer. She has helped raise millions of dollars for a number of Tucson non-profits and has been an integral member of over 50 boards, both locally and nationally.

The Ginny L. Clements Academic Center, an approximately 15,000-square-foot, two-story structure, has streamlined the support provided by the C.A.T.S. Academics department. The facility primarily provides support for academic needs such as tutor rooms, study areas, computer labs, and a classroom. It also houses C.A.T.S. Student-Athlete Development, and office space for C.A.T.S. Clinical and Sport Psychology



FAMILY FOREVER:
YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW.

WHAT IS THE A-CLUB?

The A-Club is made up of all Arizona Letterwinners (Former student-athletes, participants, and student managers). Through A-Club communications, engagement opportunities and special events such as Homecoming, sport reunions and alumni weekends, our goal is to keep you connected to your teammates, programs and the Athletics Department long after you take off your Arizona uniform.

HOW TO STAY CONNECTED?

Provide the A-Club with your personal contact information including your non-Arizona email account and complete our form when you pick up your letterwinner award at the end of the year. The form can also be found on our website.

BENEFITS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS

- Invitation to A-Club Special Events (i.e. Homecoming, Alumni Weekends, etc.)
- Network with successful Letterwinners via our exclusive Bear Down Network group and other career advising opportunities
- Social media spotlights and monthly digital newsletter
- Alumni and current student-athletes engagement events
- One (1) complimentary ticket to any regular season, home paid sporting events *excluding Football, Men's Basketball, and post-season games (this ticket is non-transferable).*

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A-CLUB LETTERWINNERS ASSOCIATION (PRIVATE GROUP)

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TO YOUR SMART DEVICE,
PLEASE SCAN THE CODE***

