

HONORS CONVOCATION

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APRIL 22, 2021

PROGRAM

April 22, 2021

WELCOME

Dr. Jeff A. Frick

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INTRODUCTION OF PROGRAM

Dr. John C. Knapp

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DEPARTMENTAL BOOK PRIZES

Dr. Dana J. Shiller

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
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ACADEMIC PRIZES AND
LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Dr. Steven M. Malinak

Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
and Professor of Chemistry

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Dr. David Kieran

Assistant Professor of History

CLOSING

Dr. John C. Knapp

DEPARTMENTAL BOOK PRIZES

Book Prize	Recipient
Scholar in Art	Blake Ann Aber
Scholar in Biochemistry.....	Benjamin B. Peticca
The Edwin Scott Linton Prize in Biology	Leslie Peace Watkins Noah M. Hoffman
The Jesse W. Lazear Prize in Chemistry	Caitlyn M. Brenner Brendan P. Troesch
Scholar in Communication Arts	Cassandra L. Muhr Fransia E. Rodriguez
The CIS Award for Independent Learning.....	Raheem J. Clemons
Scholar in Conflict and Resolution Studies	Olivia R. Durkin
The Benjamin Franklin Prize	McKayla R. Rollison
The Walter Hudson Baker Prize in Economics	Caitlin A. Guthrie
Scholar in Education	Paris C. Lyons
The William Holmes McGuffey Prize in English.....	Sydney L. Kightlinger
The John Livingston Lowes Prize in English.....	Rose E. Markle
The Henry Willson Temple Prize in History	Erik W. Blasic Sydney L. Kightlinger
The J. Adolph Schmitz Prize in Language.....	Brendan P. Troesch Nadia H. Khusro
The Clyde Shepherd Atchison Prize	Alexas L. Iams Hannah M. Johnston
Scholar in Music	Cassandra L. Muhr
The Edward Moffat Weyer Prize in Philosophy	Jarret McCracken
Robert Lloyd Mitchell Prize in Ancient Greek Philosophy	Bryton A. Altenbach
The George Winchester Prize in Physics.....	Ryan T. Sieber
The James Clyde McGregor Prize in Political Science	Samantha L. Tipton
The James Gillespie Blaine Prize in Political Science	Sammy A. Massimino
Scholar in Psychology	Jena R. Wybranowski Hailey R. Nudelman
Scholar in Sociology.....	Vidhi Bansal

ACADEMIC PRIZES AND AWARDS

Award or Prize	Recipient
Dr. Emory A. Rittenhouse II Prize in Biology	Leslie Peace Watkins Jerrick A. Rydbom
The Adlai E. Michaels Prize.....	Dylan J. Mayanja
The Nicholas C. and Josephine C. Tucci Memorial Prize in Chemistry	Quinn Pickering
The Daniel Latchney Prize in Chemistry and Biochemistry...	Nadia H. Khusro
The Samuel Jones Prize in Chemistry and Physics	Dylan T. Bertovich Benjamin B. Peticca
CIS Award for Interdisciplinary Computing	Jakerra Lance
David and Kristin Steinberg Scholarship in Computing and Information Studies.....	Preston J. Evans
The Dudley R. Johnson Prize in Theatre Arts	Victoria N. McKeehan Samantha M. Welshons
The Communication Arts ‘Winter Tales’ Prize for Top Script.....	Rosa Lynn Messersmith
The Dr. Frederick H. Wilson Memorial Academic Prize in Economics	Evan F. Kurela
The Maurice Cleveland Waltersdorf Prize in Economics.....	Stephen J. Rydzak Garrett D. Barilar Reilly Oliverio
The Michael P. Rettger Memorial Academic Award	Jarred M. Rice
The Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants Award	Caitlin M. Mounts
The William G. and Belle M. Marshall Prize in Economics...	Victoria N. Boalton Jeffrey W. Wilkinson Joel A. Winters Jessica Shieh Tyler L. Horvat
The Charles P. Eaton Prize for Entrepreneurial Studies.....	Jacob C. Lee
The James W. Hanna Prize in Education.....	Toni J. Maurer Jacqueline E. Mannina

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Award or Prize	Recipient
The William M. and Sandra Stout Endowed Prize Fund in Education	Damon M. Gall Mallory M. Weiss
The Emily Auld Memorial Prize in English	Hannah K. Lindsay
The Gilbert Award in Old English Literature.....	M Whittaker
Environmental Studies Prize	Selena C. Easley Erin S. Herock Chase A. Weiland
The Maria Leonard Senior Book Award	Erik W. Blasic Kennedii J-An Brock
The Alfred H. Sweet Prize in History.....	Cassidy C. Higgins Christian J. Rohrer
The Walter S. Sanderlin Prize in History.....	Samantha J. Kramer
Gordon E. Swartz History Fellowship	Sarah J. Byrne
Scholar in International Studies.....	Kennedii J-An Brock Victoria N. McKeehan
The Richard S. Pett Academic Travel Award.....	Isabelle J. Kratz Laney Christy Hannah M. Luttringer Logan A. Bard Jacob Black Deogracias Kasongo
The A. Richard Oliver Prize in French.....	Kennedii J-An Brock Lena E. Difulvio
Dr. Delia Lagar and George Jaques Böhm Endowed Prize.....	Clara Sherwood Selena C. Easley
The Dr. Mariano Garcia '39 Award in Mathematics	Alexas L. Iams Hannah M. Johnston Caitlin A. Guthrie Lena E. Difulvio

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Award or Prize	Recipient
The Patterson, Atchison, Shaub, Dorwart, and Thomas Mathematics Award.....	Brianna R. Billingsley Thomas Nicewicz
Barbara Ransohoff Burnett Prize in Music	Devin A. Black
The Nicholas C. and Josephine C. Tucci Memorial Prize in Music	Bryan R. Lopez Cassandra A. Kokal
The Josephine Markley Prize in Physics	Lekhya Kollu Alexander D. Keith Nagendra A. Dhanikonda
The Mr. Thomas V. Fritz Memorial Prize	Nathaniel McIntyre Aleena R. McDaniel
The Matthew Brown Ringland Prize in Social Sciences	Olivia R. Durkin Sydney N. Croft
The Richard R. Martin Prize in Psychology	Jocelynn R. DePaul
The Robert Harbison Bible Prize	Courtney H. Fogle Kiley S. Miller Jessica K. Wensus

LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE AWARDS

Award or Prize	Recipient
The Paul L. Reardon Award	Maya D. Krishnasamy Joseph A. Koroly
The Maurice Cleveland Waltersdorf Award for Innovative Leadership	Stephen J. Rydzak Haley C. Nelson Caitlin A. Guthrie
The Irene Kennedy Williams Endowed Prize.....	Marilyn B. Burkhardt Fransia E. Rodriguez
The Coblenz-Silliman Leadership Prize	Sarah J. Byrne
The David K. Scarborough Leadership Award.....	Tyler L. Horvat Jakerra Lance
The Donald W. Ebbert Award.....	Samantha H. Gooch Nagendra A. Dhanikonda
Legacy of Leadership Award	Cathryn Halie Hess
The Frank Family Prize for Leadership in the Communication Arts.....	Nikolas E. Mathias-Collins Cassandra L. Muhr

STUDENTS RECOGNIZED FOR AWARDS RECEIVED ON OTHER OCCASIONS

Award or Prize	Recipient
Betty and Bill Saalbach Adam Smith Silver Pin Award	Katherine Starr
The Trelka Prize for Original Research in the Life Sciences...	Sofia Garman Maxwell Box Lucy Elkin Erica Tronetti
The James W. Gargano Memorial Award	Jude Taha
The W. Edward Sell Distinguished Service Award	Olivia R. Durkin
The Steve Zanolli '43 Football Student Athlete Award	Antoine Hachem
The Vira I. Heinz Travel Study Award	Shayla Watkins Zivya Sutton
The Rule, Hughes, Murphy Award	Garrett Franco Lekhya Kollu Neil Pandit Evan Sante Zivya Sutton
J. Robert Maxwell '43 Student Internship	Ty Bedillion Sarah Byrne Anthony Columbus Gabrielle Feldman Emilee Jackson Lucy Li Victoria McKeehan Mariana Reyes Marcy Saldivar Kyle Vareha Joel Winters Ashkan Yazdanshenas
Franklin Internship Award	Grace Gegick Jared Heller Alondra Martinez Osorno

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RECEIVED ON OTHER OCCASIONS**

Award or Prize	Recipient
Franklin Internship Award	Hailey Nudelman Hannah Robart
Matthew Brown Fellowship	Logan Bard Abigail Ciasullo Samuel Dauby Gabrielle Feldman Caitlin Guthrie Katherine Kennel Parker Laughlin Isabella Manzari Nathan Millison Maddy Panahandeh Lucas Puskarich Adriana Rodriguez-Ruiz Clara Sherwood Zivya Sutton Maci Ward
Mazingira Research Grant	Alexander Skowron Katelyn McKiernan
Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship.....	Lillien Shaer
Merck Internships for Excellence in Science Program.....	Samuel Dauby Nagendra Dhanikonda Rachel Karman Alex Keith Sarah Marshall Dylan Mayanja Ryyan Miah Evan Sante

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- Noah M. Hoffman
- Hannah M. Johnston
- Nadia H. Khusro
- Sydney L. Kightlinger
- Smantha J. Kramer
- Parker C. Laughlin
- Donova Luersen
- Elizabeth L. Mack
- James Mastran
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- Matthew F. Prezioso
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- Julia C. Schaffer
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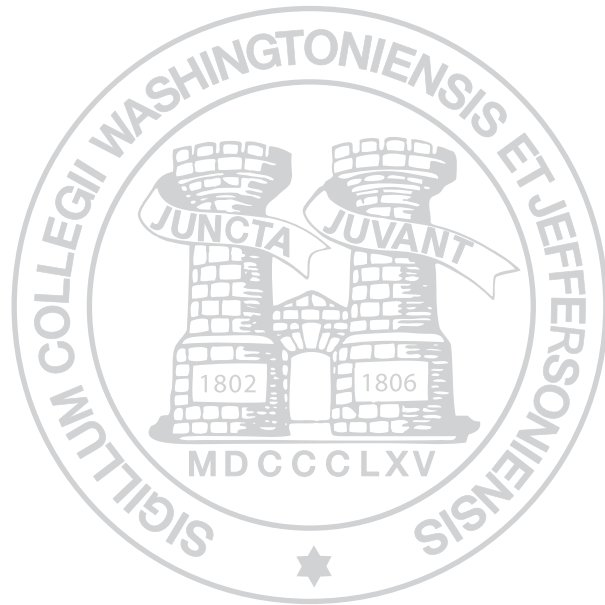
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