

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
GRADUATE CEREMONY

COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026 · 5:30 P.M.
AUTZEN STADIUM

Welcome

Lara Bovilsky

Associate Dean, Graduate Studies

Remarks and Introductions

Chris Poulsen

Tykeson Dean of Arts and Sciences

S. Alejandro Marin

Romance Languages PhD Candidate

Presentation of Doctoral and Master's Candidates

Recessional

Adjournment and Reception

DEGREE CANDIDATES

Note: Not an official degree list. Students listed are eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony at the time this program was printed.

College of Arts and Sciences Doctoral Candidates

Katelyn Rose Alley

Chemistry

“Development and Application of Molecular Probes and Imaging Techniques to Investigate Nucleolar Reorganization”

Advisor: Professor Victoria DeRose

Denicia F. Aragon Espinosa

Psychology

“The Future Self Across Contexts: Neural Representations, Structural Influences, and Interventions for Career Development”

Advisor: Doctor Elliot Berkman

Sanidhay Arora

Computer Science

“Algorithmic Risk Mitigation Frameworks in Decentralized Finance”

Advisor: Doctor Yingjiu Li

Anisha S. Babu

Psychology

“Representational structures of overlapping memories: From behavior to brain”

Advisor: Professor Brice Kuhl

Gabriela M. Bailey

Chemistry

Advisor: Professor Ramesh Jasti

Anna Diane Bartuska

Clinical Psychology

“Development of the Emergent Life Event Clinical Tool (ELECT): A Clinical Decision Support Tool for Responding to Emergent Life Events During Youth Psychotherapy”

Advisor: Professor Alayna Park

Estelle Lauren Berger

Psychology

“Neighborhood environment, puberty, sleep quality, and trajectories of depression in adolescent girls: A longitudinal study of risk and resilience”

Advisor: Doctor Jennifer Pfeifer and Doctor Ariel Williamson

Samantha Ruth Brown

Geography

“Meat Matters: Food, Power, and the Racialized Politics of Eating Animals in Denmark and Kalaallit Nunaat (Greenland)”

Advisor: Professor Mark Carey

Troy M. Brundidge

Geography

“Out of the blue: The legal geography of U.S. police liability and the limits of insurance-based reform following the 2020 George Floyd uprisings”

Advisor: Professor Leigh Johnson

Asher Brandon Caplan

Philosophy

“Technology and the Space of Reasons: A Pragmatist Philosophy of Synthetic Media”

Advisor: Professor Colin Koopman

Amelia Wan-Chi Chen

English

“Fantasies of the Nation: Space, Historiography, and Citizenship in Contemporary British and Irish Literature”

Advisor: Professor Mark Quigley

Emily J. Cook

Biology

“Evolutionary Processes Shaping Plant Population Responses to Climate Change and Species Interactions”

Advisor: Professor Jeff Diez

Rachel L. Cushman

Indigenous, Race, and Ethnic Studies

“Chinook Justice: A Survivance Journey”

Advisor: Professor Lana Lopesi

Diana J. D. Daschel

Psychology

“How Pedagogy, Action Expectations, and Executive Function Jointly Shape 3- to 7-Year-Olds’ Event Processing and Exploratory Play”

Advisor: Professor Dare Baldwin

Audrey M. Davenport

Chemistry

“Particle Size Effects on Bond Dynamics and Phase Changes in Porous Nanoparticles”

Advisor: Professor Carl Brozek

Elliott K. Doyle

Psychology

“Working with a contractor: Fictional characters’ scaffolding role in self-construction”

Advisor: Professor Sara D. Hodges

Haidar Esseili

Physics

“The Phenomenology of Light Flavor-Universal Anomaly-Free Vector Bosons”

Advisor: Professor Graham D. Kribs

Yuan Fang

Anthropology

“Mirrors of Prestige: Gender, Social Networks, and Regional Interaction in Ancient China”

Advisor: Professor Gyoung-Ah Lee

Mitchell G. Fisher

Human Physiology

“On Negative Motor Areas and Response Inhibition”

Advisor: Doctor Ian Greenhouse

Puja Ghosh

Philosophy

“Affective Injustice of the Unintelligible: Towards A Postcolonial Feminist Phenomenology”

Advisor: Professor Bonnie Mann

Dominik Graetz

Psychology

“Distraction as a Choice: Rational Decisions Predict Attention”

Advisor: Professor Professor Ulrich Mayr

Xiangchen Gu

East Asian Languages and Literatures

“Sequential Thinking and Early Chinese Historical-Biographical Narrative: Two Men at Wudi’s Court and Four Roles in Court Politics”

Advisor: Professor Luke Habberstad

Myra Bethany Haverda

Sociology

“Local Media Health, News Delocalization, and Its Effect on Protest Frequencies”

Advisor: Professor Hannah Waight

Daizi Hazarika

Anthropology

“An Anthropological Exploration of the Practice of Witch-Hunting in Assam, India: A Focus on the Rabha Community”

Advisor: Doctor Lamia Karim

Alyssa M. Herman

Clinical Psychology

“Direct-to-consumer marketing: Website features and user perceptions associated with the usefulness of mental health information”

Advisor: Professor Alayna L. Park, PhD

Brenton W. Hirao

Earth Sciences

“Enhanced Multi-decade Long Earthquake Catalogs at Multiple Scales: Insights into Volcanic and Tectonic Environments in the Pacific Northwest”

Advisor: Professor Amanda Thomas

Troy M. Houser

Psychology

“How experience shapes category learning”

Advisor: Professor Dagmar Zeithamova

Andy Huchala

Mathematics

“Griffiths Residues and Smooth Hypersurfaces in Grassmannians”

Advisor: Professor Nicolas Addington

Meredith Anne Jacobson

Environmental Science, Studies, and Policy

“What work does fire demand? Envisioning beyond colonial land and labor relations in the wildfire workforce”

Advisor: Professor Kari Norgaard

Owen Levi Jetton

Economics

“Essays in Network Macroeconomics”

Advisor: Professor Bruce McGough

Yeojin Jung

East Asian Languages and Literatures

“Native Korean Listeners’ Social Expectations and Perception of Foreign-Accented Korean Speech”

Advisor: Professor Kaori Idemaru

Apoorva Karekal

Human Physiology

“Oscillatory Signatures of Parkinson’s Disease at Rest and Movement States using EEG”

Advisor: Professor Nicole Swann

Mahboubeh Khoddam

Neuroscience

“Fractal Structure and Human Perception Across Auditory and Visual Modalities”

Advisor: Doctor Margaret Sereno

S. Alejandro Marin

Romance Languages

“The New Errancy: Unveiling Contemporary Migrant Literature in Cuba, the Dominican Republic, and Equatorial Guinea”

Advisor: Professor Lanie Millar

Nicole A. Martinez Llaurador

Biology

“Where You Stand Matters: How Environmental Gradients and Network Centrality Shape Parasite Dynamics in Bees and Reproductive Success in Plants”

Advisor: Professor Lauren Ponisio

Kendall Amy Mather

Psychology

“The Advantages of Item-level Assessment Across Research Questions in Personality Psychology”

Advisor: Doctor Sara Weston

Timothy Mathew

Physics

“Illuminating the Everblack: Dark Sector Searches with ATLAS”

Advisor: Professor Stephanie Majewski

Lucille Moholt-Siebert

Biochemistry

“Molecular Regulation of Phospholipid Binding in the Polarity Protein aPKC”

Advisor: Professor Kenneth Prehoda

Laila Nawab

Chemistry

“In situ Spectroscopy of Lead Halide Perovskite Nanocrystal Growth and Thin Film Formation”

Advisor: Professor Cathy Wong

Kalika Pai

Chemistry

“Structure and Dynamics of Non-coding RNAs by Single-Molecule Microscopy and Complementary Methods”

Advisor: Doctor Julia Widom

Alyssa Quiogue

Biology

“Cortical Microtubule Regulation of Oocyte Mechanics During Meiosis”

Advisor: Doctor Bruce Bowerman

Manasa Rajeev

Chemistry

“Effects of dissolved iron impurities and variable operating conditions on nickel-iron oxyhydroxide anode catalyst durability in alkaline water electrolyzers”

Advisor: Paul Kempler

Clara Therese Rehmann

Biology

“Moving Targets: Leveraging Geography to Understand the Evolutionary Dynamics of Malaria Vectors”

Advisor: Professor Andrew Kern

Taren T. Rohovit

Psychology

“The Temporal Dynamics of Mind-Wandering and Meta-Awareness”

Advisor: Professor Ulrich Mayr

Brietta M. Russell

Economics

“Essays in Applied Microeconomics”

Advisor: Professor Keaton Miller

Maryn Sanders

Earth Sciences

“The evolution of rapidly eroding bedrock catchments along the Columbia River Gorge, Oregon, with applications for debris flow hazard mitigation.”

Advisor: Professor Josh Roering

Erin Christine SanGregory

Linguistics

“Predication and Argument Structure in Afghan Wakhi”

Advisor: Professor Spike Gildea

Christopher Shambaugh

Philosophy

“Life and Social Freedom”

Advisor: Professor Barbara Muraca

Melanie Sheldon

Chemistry

“The development and mechanistic investigations of nickel-hydride catalysts for transformations of alkenes”

Advisor: Professor Prof. Amanda Cook

Ga In Shin

Psychology

“Valence Asymmetry in Encoding, Retrieval, and Updating of Episodic Memory”

Advisor: Professor Deepu Murty

Shannon Nicole Snyder

Biology

“The temporal, cellular, and molecular constraints on the evolution of transgenerational phenotypic plasticity”

Advisor: Professor Bill Cresko

Yongseok Soh

Computer Science

“High-Performance Sparse Tensor Factorization: Algorithms for Hyper-Sparse Streaming Data and Scalable Non-Negative Least Squares Solvers”

Advisor: Professor Jee Choi

Amala Someshwar

Psychology

“Navigating Adolescence: The Dynamics of Dyads, Perception, and Personality in Youth Development”

Advisor: Professor Jennifer Pfeifer & Sara Weston

Veronica R. Spaulding

Chemistry

“Exploration of Late-Stage Methodologies for Precision-Engineered CPP Nanomaterials”

Advisor: Doctor Ramesh Jasti

Cecelia A. Staggs

Linguistics

“US Latinidad and the Spanish Heritage Community: Perception, Production and Identity”

Advisor: Doctor Melissa Baese-Berk

Deanna L. Strayer

Psychology

“Cognitive, Motivational, and Contextual Factors Implicated in the Dynamics of Time-on-Task Effects and Attentional Fluctuations During Sustained Attention”

Advisor: Professor Nash Unsworth

Yu-Sheng Sun

Earth Sciences

“Quantifying Source Characteristics Across the Slow–Fast Earthquake Spectrum: Scaling, Kinematic Modeling, and Observational Constraints”

Advisor: Professor Diego Melgar

Bryant E. Taylor

Indigenous, Race, and Ethnic Studies

“Rehousing Memory: Black Queer Archival Practice and the Video Game”

Advisor: Professor Lynn Fujiwara

Ngan Nguyen Phuong Tran

Economics

“Essays in Labor and International Economics”

Advisor: Professor Anca Cristea

Salma V. Valadez Marquez

Romance Languages

“Mexican Food and Lore Beyond the Fictions we’ve been Fed”

Advisor: Professor Analisa Taylor

Sofia Vicente-Vidal

Anthropology

“Find Yourself in Tulum: Gig Work and the Political Economy of Spiritual Tourism”

Advisor: Professor Lynn Stephen

Tian L. Walker

Anthropology

“Biocultural Interrogations of Diabetes: From Cells to Populations to Lived Experiences”

Advisor: Professor J. Josh Snodgrass

Lucy Whitmore

Psychology

“Individual Differences in Adolescent Social-Cognitive Development”

Advisor: Kathryn Mills

Connor T. Wiegand

Economics

“Remote Experiments in Trust and Time”

Advisor: Professor Michael Kuhn

Eric M. Wilken

Economics

Advisor: Professor Michael Kuhn

Jinsun Yang

Sociology

“Decolonizing Sex Segregation in Sports: Global Gender Policing and LGBTQ+ Sports Activism in South Korea”

Advisor: Professor Kemi Balogun

Wenyi Jamie Yang

Sociology

“A Queer Quantitative Inquiry: Sexual Injustices and Social Contexts”

Advisor: Professors CJ Pascoe & Clare Evans

Asako Yonan

Indigenous, Race, and Ethnic Studies

“Objects of Kinship: Soft Power, Hard Bodies, and the Recoding of Fetish in Asian Diasporic Visual Culture”

Advisor: Doctor Lynn Fujiwara

Hannah Zeller

English

“Transmission, Transition, and Decay: Close Reading and Fungal Fantasies as Intimate Resistance in Black Queer Literature”

Advisor: Professor Kate Kelp-Stebbins

Leting Zheng

East Asian Languages and Literatures

“From Bourgeois Fantasy to Maoist Propagandism: The Representations of Children’s Happiness and Nation-Building in Modern China”

Advisor: Professor Roy Chan

He Zheng

Physics

“Atoms on a Worldline: A Path-Integral Approach to Electromagnetic Casimir Energies”

Advisor: Professor Daniel Steck

College of Arts and Sciences Master's Candidates

Catalina Amador Robayo

Global Studies

Charles A. Anderson

Economics

Elena Janel Andrews

Folklore and Public Culture

Valery L. Araoz

Electrochemistry

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Economics

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Annabelle Carozza

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Ziyuan Chen

Psychology

Ethan E. Childs

Computer Science

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Willa Nicole Pearl Coultley

Earth Sciences

Peter Thomas Davis

Global Studies

Elyse J. Decker

Sociology

Sirat Dhot

Psychology

Kesma M. Elzanaty Diab

Language Teaching Studies

Jenna Ramzi Dibeh

Chemistry

Phurbu Dolma

Psychology

Eris Donohue

Philosophy

Anish Dulal

Computer Science

Minal Edwards

Economics

Iqra Fatima

Chemistry

Hara Gkarramone Patsou

Environmental Studies & Conflict

and Dispute Resolution

Ireland Ita Dorothea Gomes

Economics

Nichole Marie Gracik

Classics

Haley JoAnn Holte

Psychology

Margaret Hong

Sociology

Kristen M. Hopper

Psychology

Samuel Shelby Hornaday

Applied Psychology

Kiunniai Innokenteva

Language Teaching Studies

Kai A. Iverson

Computer Science

Rachel E. Jackson

Psychology

Hritvik Jekki Venkateshwarulu

Computer Science

Cory L. Johns

Computer Science

Anika Nahian Binte Kabir

Computer Science

Theobald Katapu

Language Teaching Studies

Kaiya Kozuma

Psychology

Cooper A. Lee

Economics

- Jisu Lee
Language Teaching Studies
- Vanessa Lepe
Sociology
- Maya Lim
Economics
- Duc Trong Hieu Man
Computer Science
- Princess Bass Mason
Language Teaching Studies
- Samantha Matalone Cook
Folklore and Public Culture
- Ryan McConnell
Psychology
- Murad Mikayilzade
- Jack H. Mitchell
Classics
- Gonzalo Nahim Morales Chaya
Biology
- Alexander J. Moreno
Language Teaching Studies
- Hekal T. Msuya
Language Teaching Studies
- James Munyawera
Biological Anthropology
- Akiko Okano
Language Teaching Studies
- Teppeï Ogawa
Computer Science
- Ogbonnaya M. Okoro
Folklore and Public Culture
- Jasmine A. Penate
Sociology
- Tom Reboux
Language Teaching Studies
- Madison Elisabeth Reed
Psychology
- Ethan A. Reinhart
Computer Science
- Emma Roberts
Global Studies
- Olesya Rose
Russian, Eastern European, and Eurasian Studies & Language Teaching Studies
- Trenity Rosenberg
Philosophy
- Claire Zoey Rounds
Economics
- Chelsea Schwartz
Philosophy
- Garrett L. Sebra
Global Studies
- Margaret Marylou Smith
English
- Katelyn Christine Snyder
Chemistry
- Nadia L. Stoker
Marine Biology
- Mehnaz Tasmim
Folklore and Public Culture
- Tiffany Thomas
Folklore
- Aabishkar Timalisina
Computer Science
- Oliver Van Aken
Economics
- Angélica Hernández Viera
Spanish
- Natalie L. Vogel
Economics
- Lauren Walker
Geography
- Ariadne M. Wolf
Conflict Resoluton
- Yui Yamada
Asian Studies
- Addison R. Zeitler
Folklore

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HONORING NATIVE PEOPLES AND LANDS

The University of Oregon is located on Kalapuya Ilihi, the traditional indigenous homeland of the Kalapuya people. Following treaties between 1851 and 1855, Kalapuya people were dispossessed of their indigenous homeland by the United States government and forcibly removed to the Coast Reservation in Western Oregon. Today, descendants are citizens of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians of Oregon, and continue to make important contributions in their communities, at UO, and across the land we now refer to as Oregon.

We express our respect for all federally recognized tribal nations of Oregon. This includes the Burns Paiute Tribe; the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians; the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon; the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon; the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation; the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs; the Coquille Indian Tribe; the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians; and the Klamath Tribes. We also express our respect for all other displaced Indigenous peoples who call Oregon home.

