



HAMLINE UNIVERSITY

2026

STUDENT AWARDS CEREMONY

THE TWENTY-THIRD OF APRIL,
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX

Today, we formally recognize and honor
a select group of undergraduate students
from across the university
for producing the year's most
distinguished work.

By embodying excellence in
academic studies,
leadership, and service,
these students exemplify
the university's ideals.



AWARDS AND RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Hosted by President Mayme Hostetter

WELCOME

UNIVERSITY-WIDE AWARDS

John Wesley Student Leadership and Service Award

Manaal Ahmed

Cece Chmelik

Elisa Lopez

Eugene W. Randall Prize

Isabella Deschene

Ollie Pfeiffer

Evan Poeschel

Mary Maude Knox Memorial Award for Academic Excellence

Subeydo Ahmed

Claribelle B. Olson Award

Magenta Owens

Rozanne Ridgeway Forum Fellows

Greta Haeg

Layla Stenson

Frog Tolstad

Allan T. H. Bluhm Memorial Award

Kaitlynn Fuller

ADDITIONAL AWARDS

CLOSING REMARKS



Please join us in the lobby for light refreshments
following the ceremony.

UNIVERSITY-WIDE AWARDS DESCRIPTIONS

The **Allan T. H. Bluhm Memorial Award** was established by the donor in gratitude for his mother, who “sacrificed greatly so that her son might have an education.” The Bluhm Award goes to an outstanding junior whose GPA is in the top 10 percent, who is recognized for leadership and service to Hamline, and who exhibits selflessness and integrity.

The **Claribelle B. Olson Award** goes to a sophomore student who embodies the qualities of leadership, service, and academic excellence.

The **Eugene W. Randall Prize** was created in 1938 by a trustee to promote an “oratorical contest” with speaking on any subject. Today, the Randall Prize competition honors excellence in the oral presentation of a student’s scholarly work.

The **John Wesley Student Leadership and Service Awards** recognize undergraduate students whose leadership and service best exemplify the spirit of the Methodist founder to “do all the good you can.”

The **Mary Maude Knox Memorial Award for Academic Excellence** is awarded to a student in their first or second year at Hamline who has achieved an outstanding scholastic record. Mary Maude Knox graduated in 1894, and the endowed fund was created in 1975 by her son.

Rozanne Ridgway Forum Fellows are nominated by faculty and selected for their academic achievement and potential, as well as for personal qualities that exemplify Hamline’s core values.



HONORS AND AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Alfred D. and Hazel Stedman Writing Award

Julia Sina

Maka Tamasese

Alison Durfey Scholarship

Sarah Russell

Alumni Award in Physics

Junior: Cole Peterson

Senior: Lucas Liabraaten

American Institute of Chemistry and Engineering Award

AJ Grau-Kubista

Amy B. Russell Scholarship

Julian Zuniga

Xela Gunvalson

Arturo Tienken Endowed Prize

Jorge Zelaya Velasquez

Batchelder Memorial Scholarship in Chemistry

Tristan Popa

Beck Family Scholarship

Sadikshya Paudel

Belle and Leland Cooper Award in Anthropology

Lauren Ness-Schrupp

Sophie Rapacz

Betty R. Green Memorial Award

Chelsea Diahn

Forestasia Aune

Kelci Caldwell

Bill and Kay Erickson Social Justice Scholarship

Briyanna Burkhardt

Dani Sihavong

Bill Kimes Scholarship

Liam Schrom

C. Leslie and Mary Palmer Scholarship

Daysely "Rufus" Zulu

Carl Rudyard Lindgren Mathematics Scholarship

Maggie Einess

Carter Scholarship Fund

Kiley Knudson

Christopher Hoven Scholarship

Kyleah Jarvi

CJFS Classroom Contribution

Genesis Lopez Ramos

Katie Hanson

Clarence Nelson Scholarship

Wesley Saunders

Creative Nonfiction Award

Kaitlyn Arnes

Taylor Tadych

Don B. Rice Scholarship

Kasimir Austin-Moray

Donald Swanson Award in Psychology

Chloe Schneider

Doris Andrews Simenstad Scholarship

Caitlyn Hutton

Earl E. Craven Prize in Journalism

Aiden Lewald

Eliza A. Drew Prize

Best Editorial: Anabel Bradley

Best News Story: Jordan Fauks

Chinese: Sadikshya Paudel

English (Best Essay): Rowan Riley

English (Best Short Story):

Alex Jaspers

Environmental Studies:

Julia Klinker

German: Evelyn Sweetman

Global Studies: Matias Clauson

History: Collin Melcher

Legal Studies: Adler Siebenaler

Management and Economics:

Elayna Goeltl

Music Composition:

Caitlyn Hutton

Political Science: Olivia Lanz

Secondary Education:

Denzel Schuna

Spanish: Devon Copley

Studio Arts and Art History:

Soren Goebel

Elizabeth Lueben Norton Prize in Chemistry

Reaa Pandey

Ellis Wyatt Biology Scholarship

Layla Stenson

Emma Kay Malmstrom Research Award

Raymond Zierden

Evelyn Apitz Morris Prize

Rowan Riley

Faith L. Murray Psychology Prize

Montana Miller

HONORS AND AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Farnum Community Leader Award

Sara Jime

Hermela Yemane

George Henry Bridgman Poetry Prize

Ari Howey

Noah Ackert

George T. Vane Scholarship

Isabella Deschene

Rowan Hilden

Trina Morlock

George Wesley Linares Scholarship

Kathleen Antonio Carrasco

H.B. Fast Scholarship

Kyleah Jarvi

Hartwell Scholarship

Jacob Hanson

Layla Stenson

Wesley Saunders

Henriette Diebold Memorial Art Scholarship

Cithus Her

Hoffman Scholarship

Gabby Torres

Holt Acting Award

Aura Bafna

Sydney Lavelle

Holt Award

Dance Choreography:

Maria Garcia

Houle Endowed Scholarship for Economics

Ava Schmid

Calvin Knight

Laura Hardy

Irene Gragg Endowed Fund for Excellence in Neuroscience

Noura Alhomsy

Jean J. Pinkerton Scholarship

Rayna Heins

Jerry Artz "Freebody" Award

Brennan Reid

John L. Harnsberger History Scholarship

Quill Balestrieri

Jonathan Sautner Memorial Award

Ellie Krasean

Joseph Norio Uemura Scholarship

Chloe Schneider

Judge Standly N Thorup Scholarship

Siena Busalacchi

Karen Vogel Prize in Political Science

Matilda Urbia

Karl Van D'Elden Prize

Jaylene Fuchs-Dickerson

Kent H. Bracewell Scholarship

Ryan Slade

Klaus-Mettam Scholarship

Stephanie Vela Alonso

Literary Citizenship Award

Taylor Tadych

Lois and Richard Bolyard Schwoebel Music Scholarship

Claire Kerber

Kristina Filas

Mary Ewing Roatch Scholarship

Rowan Hilden

McGonagle Family Theatre Scholarship

Nur Sheik

Minehart Family Scholarship

Julian Zuniga

Monroe Bell Endowed Scholarship

Woody Hobbs

Norman E. Albrecht Scholarship

Cori Dawson

Nurith Zmora Prize in History

Marina LaFreniere

Outstanding Criminology and Criminal Justice Student Award

Jordan Fulin

Outstanding Forensic Science Student Award

Hailey Guilds

Packard-Younoszai Spanish Scholarship

Grace Bell-Cepeda

Page Butler Stevens Music Scholarship

Grant Peltier

Riley Symicek

HONORS AND AWARDS RECIPIENTS

Parsons Endowed Prize in Education

Isabella Deschene

Peter N. Bachman Memorial Scholarship

Betek Yisak

Raygor Scholarship

Ellsa Sorenson-Wagner

Robert and Shirley Bogue Scholarship

Aiyana Cleveland

Robert Holliday Scholarship

Cori Dawson

Kayly Savy

Robert Morris Page Physics Scholarship

Angel Martinez

Ron Mitsch Chemistry Scholarship

Bahja Ahmed

Gus Shaffer

Jetzabeth Hernandez Julio

Jordis Linke

Kylie Toilolo

Rozanne L. Ridgway Forum Fund Partnership

Alexis Geary

Asher Gettings

Lindsey Meizo

Maddox Moses

Riley Gianotti

Ruth A. Sullivan Scholarship

Ryann Hopp

Samuel Louis Parish Award for Religious Leadership

Iris/Sam Eichinger

Scott D. Johnston Scholarship

Ema Rehder

Simley Scholarship

Communication Studies:

Anna Beaudry

Theatre Arts: Asher Gettings

Stanley A. Bodine Scholarship

Sulin Vang

Thomas P. Beyer Prize

Valentine Nguyen

Timothy H. Polk Senior Religion Major Award

Iris/Sam Eichinger

Verna von Wald Lofstrom Scholarship

Devon Copley

Litzy Lopez

Vicky Vander Woude Annual Scholarship

Litzy Lopez

Walter Alexander Kenyon Award

Cece Chmelik

Ethan Heide

Hanan Abdi

Jordyn Campbell

Laurel Raymond

Walter Alexander Kenyon Scholarship

Cody Cramer

Lorna Heil

Remy Amel

Samantha Michaud

Walter J. Frajola Scholarship

Michael Williams

Wesley St. John Scholarship for Global Awareness

Htoo Han

Isabelle Xiong

William Peterson Prize in Journalism

Hiroko Zeleke

Writing Across Genres Award

Rowan Riley



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