ALL HONORS DAY

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Rashmi Assudani, PhD
Associate Provost for Academic Affairs

INVOCATION
Thomas Strunk, PhD
Department of Classics and Philosophy Honors

TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARDS
Edmond Hooker, MD, DrPH
Department of Health Services Administration

Morten Kristiansen, PhD
Department of Music

PRESENTED BY
Ashley Durbin
President, Alpha Sigma Nu
Xavier University Chapter

ADDRESS
Edmond Hooker, MD, DrPH

Dr. Hooker received his B.S. degree from Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia. He earned his M.D. degree from Eastern Virginia Medical School. He then completed his residency training in Emergency Medicine at the University of Louisville. Since 2003, Dr. Hooker has been teaching in the Department of Health Services Administration at Xavier University. He teaches medical terminology, clinical medicine, and population health. In the spring of 2007, Dr. Hooker earned his Doctorate in Public Health from the University of Kentucky. In 2015, he was promoted to Professor. Dr. Hooker works clinically in the emergency department at the University of Cincinnati Hospital and directs the Clinical Research Coordinator’s program. Dr. Hooker has been married to the same wonderful woman for 32 years and has four adult children.

Morten Kristiansen, PhD

A native of Copenhagen, Dr. Morten Kristiansen completed his undergraduate degree in Music and German at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Before entering graduate school he attended the University of Vienna in Austria for a year. While in Vienna he also sang bass in the Wiener Singverein and the Kammerchor der Musikshule. After completing his doctorate in Musicology at Yale University with a dissertation on German composer Richard Strauss’s early opera Feuersnot, he taught music history at Truman State, Georgetown, and Eastern Washington Universities before joining the Xavier University faculty in 2006. Dr. Kristiansen has presented papers at the national meetings of the American Musicological Society among other conferences and published essays on Richard Strauss in various collections. He most recently co-edited Richard Strauss in Context (2020) for Cambridge University Press. At Xavier, in addition to teaching the music history sequence for majors, he has taught History of Rock for many years, is currently offering a new course on The Beatles, has served as department chair, and now directs the music program.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES
FOR AWARDS
Melissa J. Baumann, PhD
Provost and Chief Academic Officer

CONFERRING OF AWARDS
AND REMARKS
Michael J. Graham, S.J.
President
The College of Arts and Sciences

ART
The University Art Award
Emma L. Malinoski
James R. Reyes-Gomez
The University Art Award is given to students who demonstrate exceptional ability and achievement in art. These students are outstanding leaders and citizens of the department, the university and the community who act with integrity and compassion toward the betterment of society.

BIOLOGY
The Biology Award
Josephine A. Pyles
Jacob B. Trzybinski
Presented to senior department of biology majors demonstrating superior achievement in scholarship, research and co-curricular activities.

The Dr. J.T. Clear Biology Award
Jennifer M. Prial
Violet T. Schramm
Established by the late Dr. J.T. Clear and presented to students completing a department of biology major with highest distinction.

CHEMISTRY
The Alchemyst Award
Matthew J. Benedek
Stephan M. Freeman
Plaques awarded to outstanding senior majors in the Department of Chemistry.

The Frederick N. Miller, S.J., Award
Karen R. Garn
Johanna K. Murphy
In memory of Frederick N. Miller, S.J., and presented to students completing the chemistry major with highest distinction.

CLASSICS AND MODERN LANGUAGES
The Alice D. Ragland Latin Award
Timothy J. Ganshirt
In memory of Alice D. Ragland and presented to a student excelling in the study of Latin.

The Joseph A. Verkamp Greek Award
Matthew R. Blain
Established by the late Joseph A. Verkamp and presented to a student excelling in the study of Greek.

The John M. Zahurancik Award
Stephen A. Prevoznik
A book given to an outstanding Classics and Philosophy Honors Bachelor of Arts senior.

The Classical Association of the Middle, West and South Award
Nicholas Q. Minion
A national award presented to a student who has shown outstanding accomplishment in Classical Studies.

The Joseph and Jeanne Bourgeois French Award
Rachel V. Barth
Established by the family and friends of the late Joseph and Jeanne Bourgeois and presented to the student achieving excellence in the study of French.

The Joseph E. Bourgeois German Award
Carson J. Rayhill
Presented to the student displaying the greatest proficiency in the use of the German language.

The Clement H. Luken Sr. Award
Michael P. Zimmermann
Presented to a student achieving excellence in the German at the intermediate level.

The Matias G. Vega Spanish Award
Gabriella C. Scolio
In memory of Dr. Matias Vega and presented to a senior demonstrating the highest linguistic achievement in Spanish and interest in Hispanic culture.

COMMUNICATION
The Lawrence J. Flynn, S.J., Award
Mary T. Gianciolo
Elizabeth C. Deutsch
Kylie R. Moore
Mya N. Priester
Presented to students completing the communication major with highest academic distinction.

The Outstanding Award in Digital Innovation, Film and Television
Delaney G. Sprague
Presented to a DIFT major who has demonstrated innovation, outstanding academic achievement, dedicated leadership, and is able to build community.

COMPUTER SCIENCE
The John F. Niehaus Award
Annette E. Peterman
In memory of John F. Niehaus and presented to an outstanding senior majoring in computer science.

The John F. Niehaus Scholarship
Peyton M. Beck
Madison Catalano
In memory of John F. Niehaus and granted to computer science majors.

The Computer Science Service Award
Andrew M. Sexton
Presented to a computer science student who has performed exceptional service for the department.
ENGLISH
The Sweeney Achievement Award Allison F. McGreal
Presented to a student completing the English major with highest distinction.

The Karl P. Wentsdorf Shakespeare Award Lauren E. Davidson
In honor of Karl P. Wentsdorf and presented to a student for excellence in the study of Shakespeare.

The Rev. Brian W. Connolly Award Margaret O. Schroeder
In honor of the Rev. Brian W. Connolly and presented to a student of medieval Christian literature.

The Clocktower Award Camryn F. Jones
Presented to an editor or the author of the best contributions to The Clocktower Review, Xavier’s literary magazine.

The Eloquenitia Perfecta Award Delaney G. Sprague
Presented to the top graduating student in the English major with Writing concentration.

The Yamuna Kachru Award Margaret O. Schroeder
An award presented to a student for excellence in the study of linguistics.

HISTORY
The Louis J. and Mildred V. Simon History Award Theresa M. Anhofer
Presented to outstanding history majors.

The W. Eugene Shiels, S.J., History Award Tyler H. Hanson
Presented to senior history majors for outstanding academic achievement and excellence in leadership.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
The Frank McVay Award Catherine M. Keck
In memory of Professor Frank McVay and presented to the student completing the international studies major with highest distinction.

LIBERAL ARTS AND ADULT & PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION
The Robert H. Helmes Liberal Arts Award Marion Y. Byndon
Presented to a senior completing the liberal arts degree with highest academic distinction.

MATHEMATICS
The Comer-Reynolds Award Amelia J. Kennedy
Presented to a student outstanding in statistics.

The Robert F. Cissell Award Rachel A. Osborne
In memory of Robert F. Cissell and presented to an outstanding mathematics major exemplifying the personal and intellectual qualities of Professor Cissell.

The Kramer-Miller Mathematics Award Mark D. West
Presented to a senior mathematics major for having achieved great distinction in the study of mathematics.

The Richard J. Wehrmeyer Pi Mu Epsilon Award Amanda J. Cusimano
In memory of Richard J. Wehrmeyer and presented jointly with the Ohio Theta Chapter of Pi Mu Epsilon to a mathematics major exhibiting excellence in problem solving.

MUSIC & THEATRE
The Music Award Julia Jenick
Presented to a music major who has demonstrated outstanding musical and academic achievement and dedicated leadership in the activities of the Music Program.

The Outstanding Award in Theatre Kelsey A. Schwarber
Presented to theatre majors who have demonstrated outstanding theatrical and academic achievement and dedicated leadership in the activities of the Theatre Program.

PHILOSOPHY
The Martin G. Dumler Philosophy Award Kathryn L. Longfellow
Established by the late Martin G. Dumler and presented to a student excelling in the study of philosophy.

The Archbishop McNicholas Philosophy Award Grayson S. Walker
In memory of the Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O.P., and presented to a student excelling in the study of philosophy.
**PHYSICS**

The Distinguished Physics Professors’ Award

Mackenzie E. Mangette
Fiona C. Rowan

This scholarship, designed to honor Professors John Hart, Raymond Miller and Terrence Toepker, was established through the generosity of many graduates of the Department of Physics. It is awarded to outstanding majors in the physics area.

The Theodore A. Kent Bozhidar Kantarjiev Award

Andrew I. Druzina

In memory of Theodore A. Kent and presented to the student who completed their first year of the physics major with highest distinction.

The Frederick A. Hauck Physics Research Award

Munachimso P. Anachebe
Mackenzie E. Mangette
Duncan E. Wilgress-Pipe

Frederick A. Hauck's gift provides funding for special student research projects.

The Physics Summer Research Award

Colin P. Terry

Presented to a student for outstanding commitment to their summer research project.

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

The George F. and Agatha M. Salter Political Science Award

Kathryn L. Lampertius

Presented to the student completing the political science major with highest distinction.

The Edward C. Gasiewicz Political Science Award

Zachary Z. Katopodis

Established by Edward C. Gasiewicz and presented to an outstanding junior political science major for demonstrating high achievement in the field of political science and contributing valuable service to the community.

**THEOLOGY**

The Victor B. Nieporte, S.J., Theology Award

Jonathan M. Hesford

Established by the Jane E. and Thomas R. Armstrong Foundation and presented to a graduating senior completing the theology major with distinction.

The David William Snyder Theology Award

Katherine T. Gill

Established by the parents of David William Snyder and presented to a freshman or sophomore student for outstanding achievement in the study of theology.

The Dr. William J. Topmoeller Theology Award

Elizabeth M. Greenop

Established by the wife of the late William J. Topmoeller, M.D., 1908, and presented to a junior student for outstanding achievement in the study of theology.

The Vincent and Hilda Gudorf Award

Samantha A. Mossing

Established by Christine E. Gudorf in memory of Vincent and Hilda Gudorf and given to a junior student who has completed a minimum of twelve credit hours of Theology courses based on merit and achievement.
College of Nursing

The Helen Hurm Award
Mary Berns
Margaret Farrell
Presented to the best all-around graduating seniors with particular emphasis on academic achievement, participation in campus life and individual development.

The Nursing Faculty Award
Katherine Gillingham
Emily Langbo
Presented to the student completing the baccalaureate nursing degree program who exemplifies the highest standards in nursing care.

The Nursing Mission Award: Scholarship
Margaret Farrell
Gwendolyn Miklovic
Elizabeth O’Connell
Katherine Gillingham
Presented to the senior who represent the four characteristics of the mission of the College of Nursing: Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Personal and Professional Growth.

The Nursing Mission Award: Leadership
Taylor Morgan
Grace Voet
Presented to the senior who represents the four characteristics of the mission of the College of Nursing: Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Personal and Professional Growth.

The Nursing Mission Award: Service
Lauren Cartone
Sierra Stennis
Presented to the senior who represent the four characteristics of the mission of the College of Nursing: Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Personal and Professional Growth.

The Nursing Mission Award: Personal and Professional Growth
Aislinn Florio
Jacob Moretine
Presented to seniors who represent the four characteristics of the mission of the College of Nursing: Scholarship, Leadership, Service, and Personal and Professional Growth.

College of Professional Sciences

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Jack Richardson Criminal Justice Award
Claire E. Fisher
Catherine M. Keck
Presented to the students completing the criminal justice major with highest distinction.

EDUCATION

The Raymond F. McCoy Education Award
Cereys A. Edwards
Veronica Hernandez
Molly M. Proffitt
Presented to senior education majors outstanding in academic achievement, character and teaching potential.

The Mary Dahlstrom Scholarship
Elaine J. Tracy
Granted for the junior year to an outstanding elementary education major demonstrating active involvement in student activities.

The Sally Pruden Special Education Award – Undergraduate
Katherine A. Jackson
Presented to a senior education major demonstrating outstanding academic performance and community service in the area of special education.

The Sally Pruden Special Education Award – Graduate
Sarah E. Cornell
Presented to a graduate student demonstrating outstanding academic performance and community service in the area of special education.

The Hilda Rothschild Award
Jessica A. Ebert
Established by the Xavier Montessori Institute in memory of the Graduate Program’s founder, Ms. Hilda Rothschild, and presented to the student who demonstrates a commitment to high fidelity Montessori education and service to the community.

The Karen Marie Jarc Award
Veronica Hernandez
In memory of Karen Marie Jarc and presented to an undergraduate student intern with highest academic distinction in Montessori education.

HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

HSA Thinker Award
Allison N. Stewart
Presented to a student who has achieved the highest level of academic achievement, based upon overall GPA, major GPA, and difficulty of course load.
HSA Leader Award  
Desmond C. Varner  
Presented to the student who have demonstrated exemplary leadership as a student in the BSHSA program for the department, for Xavier University, or within the greater community.

HSA Inspirer Award  
Neha C. Damania  
Presented to a student who has truly inspired others during their time at Xavier University by persevering through hardship, putting others’ needs before their own, or devoting significant time to service for those in need.

MILITARY SCIENCE

The Col. Charles F. Williams  
Military Science Award  
Cadet Annalise M. Frenette  
In memory of Col. Charles F. Williams and presented to the first-year advanced course military science student ranking highest in scholarship and service to the department of ROTC.

PSYCHOLOGY

The V.J. Bieliauskas Psychology Award  
Rachel V. Barth  
Presented to a student for outstanding academic achievement.

The Glen LaGrange Psychology Award  
Benjamin L. Foley  
Established by the family and friends of the late Professor Glen LaGrange and presented to a graduating psychology major demonstrating excellence in psychology and outstanding academic performance.

The Margaret and Richard Brizzolara Psychology Award  
Camryn E. Backman  
Established by Margaret and Richard Brizzolara and presented to a junior psychology major outstanding in academic achievement, leadership qualities and participation in student activities.

SOCIAL WORK

The Charlotte Towle Social Work Award  
Danielle N. Stone  
Presented to a senior social work major for demonstrating high academic achievement and professional ethics.

ACCOUNTANCY

The Excellence in Accounting Award  
Morgan S. Comerford  
Emily Wright  
Presented to accounting majors in their senior year, who have demonstrated excellence in the study of accounting.

The Accounting Service and Leadership Award  
Morgan S. Comerford  
Andrew R. Whitmoyer  
Presented to graduating seniors who have demonstrated a commitment to service and leadership activities.

The Financial Executives International Scholarship Award  
Mackenzie A. Mullins  
Presented to an accounting major in their junior year, who has demonstrated excellence in the study of accounting.

The Tax Executives Institute Scholarship Award  
Morgan S. Comerford  
Presented to an undergraduate accounting major who will be pursuing a professional career in the field of taxation.

The Excellence in Taxation Award  
Elizabeth C. Heimbuch  
Presented to a student majoring in accounting who has demonstrated excellence in the study of taxation.

BUSINESS ANALYTICS & INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Business Analytics Award  
Mackenzie A. Mullins  
Granted to an undergraduate excelling in the study of business analytics.

Information Systems Award  
Kaitlyn P. Herzog  
Granted to an undergraduate excelling in the study of information systems.
ECONOMICS

The Craig Menderson Economics Award

Connor A. McKiernan
Isabella B. Serna

Established by the parents of the late Craig Menderson and presented to a senior economics major demonstrating excellence in the classroom and outstanding leadership potential.

The Department of Economics Award

Carolanne M. Zelis

Presented to students demonstrating excellence in the study of economic theory.

FINANCE

The Financial Executives International Outstanding Student Award

Alex E. Feller

Presented by the Cincinnati chapter of Financial Executives International to an outstanding undergraduate in finance.

The Philip W. Glasgo Award

Brian M. Price

Presented to a student completing the finance major with highest distinction.

The Rothwell Award

Taylor Latona

Presented to a finance major for outstanding dedication and academic achievement.

The Excellence in Finance Award

Jack D. Streicher
Mak A. O'Brien

Awarded to a graduating senior who has demonstrated excellence in finance coursework.

The Stephen S. Smith Award

Tim J. Carrig
Conor P. Davis

Awarded to a student director of the Xavier Student Investment Fund who exhibits extraordinary leadership.

The Bahl & Gaynor Award

Corinne J. Nykaza

Awarded to a second or third year female and/or minority finance major who demonstrates finance and/or investment interests with financial need.

MANAGEMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Department of M&E Faculty Scholarship

Carolanne M. Zelis

Presented to a senior majoring in management who has demonstrated excellence in the field of management and leadership.

Clifford S. Besse, S.J Management Scholarship

Luke J. Apostolos

Presented to a senior majoring in management who has demonstrated excellence in the field of management and leadership.

Clifford S. Besse, S.J Management Scholarship

Natalie E. Powers

Presented to a junior majoring in management who has demonstrated academic excellence and emerging managerial and leadership potential.

Excellence in Entrepreneurship Award

Michael T. Arens

Presented to a senior majoring in entrepreneurship who has demonstrated outstanding entrepreneurial talent and potential.

Excellence in Entrepreneurship Award

Joseph B. Alegre

Presented to a junior majoring in entrepreneurship with emerging entrepreneurial talent and potential and who has demonstrated academic excellence in the field.

Clifford S. Besse, S.J Human Resources Scholarship

Chloe A. Manz

Presented to a senior majoring in strategic human resources who has demonstrated excellence in the field of human resources.

Clifford S. Besse, S.J Human Resources Scholarship

Haley R. Jakovich

Presented to a junior majoring in strategic human resources demonstrating emerging excellence in the field of human resources.

MARKETING

The William V. Masterson Memorial Scholarship

Matthew D. Fickenworth

In memory of the late William V. Masterson, '41, and granted to a student excelling in the study of marketing.

The Walter A. Kumpf Marketing Award

Anna P. Ramsey

Established by Karl and Neil Kumpf in memory of their father and his commitment to business education and presented to a student outstanding in academic achievement, character and community service.

The VanKirk Family Scholarship

Jocelyn M. Schlangen

Presented to a marketing student who excels academically and in community service.
UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

The Corilliam Honors
Certificates conferred upon senior women who have demonstrated excellence in courses related to women’s studies.

Kaitlyn E. Roach

The Vincent and Hilda Gudorf Minority Studies Award
Given for academic achievement in minority studies to a student in the Gender and Diversity Studies program.

Camryn F. Jones

The Benjamin D. Urmston Family Peace Studies Scholarship
Granted to students who best demonstrate excellence in the Peace and Justice Studies minor and the integration of concern for peace, social justice, and ecological sustainability into their extracurricular activities.

Saron Besera
Benjamin L. Foley
Maura J. Juenger
Jaime R. Misky
Clare B. Ravizza
Carson J. Rayhill
Declan M. Tom
Payton L. Wood

The Community-Engaged Fellows
Medals given to graduating seniors who have maintained high academic achievement while committing four years to community service drawing upon principles of social justice, direct service, community building and public policy.

Tatum R. Crampton
Rita A. Daniel
Natalie O. Loux
Alan O. Lozano
Clarence A. Lyles
Danielle N. Stone

The Undergraduate Research Award
Presented to the student demonstrating outstanding achievement in undergraduate research.

Stephan M. Freeman

The Winter-Cohen Family Brueggeman Fellows Program
Medals awarded to those chosen to participate in the Winter-Cohen Family Brueggeman Fellows program. Students conduct independent research for one academic year at the Brueggeman Center and spend from six weeks to six months furthering those studies internationally.

Annalise M. Frenette
Anela E. Kinkade
Sarah M. Ray
Gabriella E. Scolio
Dr. Koji N. Yoda

The Alma Mater

Xavier is our family tree, rooted in one history.
Nurtured by our legacy, Xavier’s humble pedigree
Branches out to touch the same God we call by many names,
And aglow in love aflame, bear the fruit of Xavier’s fame.

Fame that no one can impeach, growing to extend our reach,
Planting fertile seeds in each soul and mind we serve and teach.
One community we stand, building dreams and hopes with hands
Stretching out across the land for each woman, child and man.
STUDENT LEADERSHIP
ASSEMBLY
Awards

Outstanding Contribution to Residential Students
Presented by Matt Zalman, Assistant Director, Office of Residence Life

Caitlin R. Fox

This award is presented annually to a residential student who, through the course of their experience as a Resident Assistant, Resident Student Association member, and/or community member, has been able to further the mission of the University by improving the on-campus, living-learning environment.

Outstanding Contribution to Commuter Students
Presented by Christopher Marshall, Gallagher Student Center Director
Ryan Spolar, Commuter Services Graduate Assistant

Anna R. Wood

This award is presented annually to a commuter student who has provided outstanding leadership to commuter students as a scholar, advocate, community member, and role model.

Outstanding Contribution to Non-Traditional Students
Presented by Patricia Meyer, Director, Adult and Professional Education

Courtney R. Ellerbee

This award is presented annually to a non-traditional undergraduate student who has provided outstanding leadership to non-traditional undergraduates through service, initiative, and dedication.

Outstanding Contribution to Graduate Students
Presented by Brenda Levy-Gardner, Dean, Office of the Graduate School

Meredith L. Gronmon

This award is presented annually to a graduate student who has provided outstanding leadership to graduate students through service, initiative, and dedication.

Newman Civic Fellows Award
Presented by Sean Rhiney, Director, Eigel Center for Community-Engaged Learning

Noor W. El-Ansary

The Newman Civic Fellows Award is sponsored by Campus Compact, in memory of Frank Newman. This award honors inspiring college student leaders who have demonstrated an investment in finding solutions for challenges facing communities through service, research, and advocacy. It recognizes student leaders who seek to make the most of their college experiences to better understand themselves, the root causes of social issues, and effective mechanisms for creating lasting change.

Charles J. Ping Community Service Award
Presented by Sean Rhiney, Director, Eigel Center for Community-Engaged Learning

Sarah M. Ray

The Charles J. Ping Award recognizes and honors undergraduate students for their outstanding leadership and contributions to community service or service-learning on their campus and within their community. This award is granted annually to one undergraduate per Ohio Campus Compact member institution. The award recipient must demonstrate exemplary community service or service-learning and the identification of a community need and sustainable processes to meet that need.

Silver X-Key Leadership Award
Presented by Deborah Ekeke, Assistant Director, Office of Student Involvement

Lin H. DeGraaf
Amanda N. Hagedorn
Madeline P. McGarry
Sydney E. Miller
Austin M. Parkes

This award recognizes up to 10 first-year, sophomore, or first-year transfer undergraduate students who demonstrate leadership promise through their co-curricular involvement.

Gold X-Key Leadership Award
Presented by Dustin Lewis, Associate Director, Office of Student Involvement

Jordyn B. Brooks
Emma C. Bruggeman
Rue L. Crittenden
Katherine A. Deegan
Tessa N. Doan
Lauren M. Duell
Christo V. Fosse
Catherine M. Keck
Megan E. Scharrer

This award recognizes up to 10 junior, senior, or second-year transfer undergraduate students who demonstrate exemplary leadership through their co-curricular involvement.

Zach Wood Award
Presented by Mackenzie McIntyre, Coordinator of Fitness and Wellness, Recreational Sports

Mackenzie A. Mullins

This award is dedicated to the memory of Zach Wood, a past employee of the Recreational Sports Department, who demonstrated passion and outstanding service and loyalty to the department and related programs. The recipient demonstrates level of participation and outstanding service and leadership that positively impacts the Recreational Sports Department.
Kaela Allton Wellness Leadership Award
Presented by Jean Griffin, Dean of Students

Danielle N. Stone

This award is dedicated to the memory of Kaela Allton, a 2015 graduate of Xavier. While she was a student, Kaela was committed to developing programs and strategies for student wellness on campus, particularly around mental health. Kaela was passionate and dedicated to serving the Xavier community, and was an inspiration to those who knew her. This award is presented annually to a graduating student who has demonstrated consistent and outstanding leadership and exceptional dedication to the support of student wellness, embodying the qualities Kaela exemplified.

The Thomas E. Sedler Award
Presented by Angela Wyss, Senior Director, Student-Athlete Academic Support

Martin Jaramillo
Olivia M. Jenkins
Jillian N. Simpson

This award was established by Thomas E. Sedler, Chief Executive Officer of the Home City Ice Corporation. The recipient of the Sedler Award is chosen from the top candidates who have demonstrated hard work and enthusiasm during their career at Xavier University.

The Rev. Paul L. O’Connor, S.J., Award
Presented by Angela Wyss, Senior Director, Student-Athlete Academic Support

Nicholas P. Mahoney
Morgan E. Tinsley

This award is named after Xavier University’s 29th president and is given to a senior male and female student-athlete who best exemplify the ideals of Xavier University based upon academic and athletic excellence.

Ambassador Award
Presented by Lea Minniti, Executive Director, Student Support Services and Enrollment Management

Mahnoor Zahra

This award honors a student who demonstrates a commitment to internationalizing the campus and increasing cultural awareness through involvement and leadership in campus programs, academic projects and/or community involvement.

Diversity and Inclusion Leadership Award
Presented by Diamond Brown, Smooth Transitions Coordinator, Center for Diversity and Inclusion

Mercedes A. Torres

This is awarded annually to a student who has significantly contributed to creating a campus culture of diversity and inclusion. The recipient demonstrates the ability to educate the campus about diversity and inclusion issues and build coalitions across difference.

Dorothy Day Award
Presented by Abigail King-Kaiser, Director, Dorothy Day Center for Faith and Justice

Mary E. Bryan
Kelly N. Delano
Jonathan M. Hesford

Named for the co-founder of the Catholic Worker movement, this award honors two graduating students who embody a commitment to deepening their spirituality, pursuing justice, and promoting pluralism.

David Streicher Spirit of Xavier Award
Presented by Marco Fatuzzo, Professor, Physics and Chair, Faculty Committee

Natalie A. Sendelbach

This award is dedicated to the memory of David B. Streicher. A 1992 graduate, Streicher embodied the qualities that make Xavier great: a lifelong pursuit of learning, commitment to service, dedication to the community, faith in God and love for all those around him. Dave was a fountain of energy and an unfailing source of friendship and support. He constantly celebrated life while continuously encouraging his peers to get involved and to make the most of their college experience. The recipient of this award exemplifies these qualities.

Sally Watson Leadership Award
Presented by Melissa Baumann, Provost and Chief Academic Officer

Alexandra A. Hausfeld
Emma L. Malinoski

This award is dedicated to the memory of Sally Watson, Xavier’s former Assistant to the Vice President for Student Development and the Director of Orientation. Sally was committed to working with students and helping them grow as student leaders and as caring, thoughtful individuals. Her unselfish leadership style and care for each person were two characteristics that made Sally a much loved colleague, administrator, and friend. The recipient of this award exemplifies these qualities.

Father Francis J. Finn, S.J., Award
Presented by Doug Sammons, Vice President, Xavier University National Alumni Association

Colleen M. Spolar

This award is named in honor of a remarkable Jesuit priest, who, during the 1920s, served as pastor of St. Xavier Church and was a member of the Xavier Board of Trustees. It was Fr. Finn who suggested the Musketeer symbol and slogan “One for All and All for One.” He was the founder of the Legion of Honor. Fr. Finn was best noted for authoring books for young Catholics, each featuring a young man as a hero, and it was from these books that the Fr. Francis J. Finn, S.J., Award was created. Traditionally this award is awarded to the Xavier University National Alumni Association to a member of the graduating class who best exemplifies the qualities of Fr. Finn’s fictional heroes: Strong Spiritual Values, Leadership and Breadth of Interest.
The President’s Award for Excellence in Leadership
Presented by Michael J. Graham, S.J., President

Peter M. Korchak
Danielle N. Stone

Recognizing Xavier’s highest achieving students, these awards are given annually to junior, senior, and graduate students, who have demonstrated outstanding overall service, scholarship, and leadership for the benefit of the Xavier community during their collegiate career.
Induction Ceremony

Introduction of Candidates
Christopher Staat
Teaching Professor
Department of Mathematics

Induction Prayer
Christopher Staat

History and Purpose of Alpha Sigma Nu
Christopher Staat

Scholarship, Loyalty, Service
Morgan Comerford
ASN Treasurer

Remarks from the Chapter President
Ashley Durbin
ASN President

Alpha Sigma Nu Pledge
Inductees led by
Ashley Durbin

Welcoming Remarks
Rev. Michael J. Graham, S.J.
President
Grayson Walker
ASN Vice President
Shannon Turnley
ASN Secretary

Alpha Sigma Nu Pledge
As a member of Alpha Sigma Nu, I promise to do everything in my power to carry out the ideals of scholarship, loyalty and service. I will be committed to intellectual integrity and the pursuit of wisdom. I will be loyal to the moral, social and religious ideals of my education. And I will continue to be genuinely committed to the well-being of others and active in serving them. I will do all of this in light of the true Jesuit concern for the greater honor and glory of God.
THE XAVIER UNIVERSITY SEAL

The center of the University's school seal is divided vertically in two parts. The left side shows the coat of arms of the Xavier family. The right side shows an arm holding a crucifix representing St. Francis Xavier, Patron of the Missions. The lower half shows three seashells, representing Xavier's 10 years of apostolic voyages on land and sea. The shield is surmounted by the official seal of the Society of Jesus and includes the first three letters of the Greek spelling of Jesus (IHS), which has its counterpart in the Jesuit motto A.M.D.G. (Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam or “For the Greater Glory of God”). The banderole, or motto, “Vidit Mirabilia Magna,” means “he has seen great wonders.” The inscription in the circle bounding the seal, “Universitas Xaveriana Cincinnatensis” translates to Xavier University of Cincinnati. The Roman numerals refer to the year in which Xavier was founded (1831).

Alpha Sigma Nu 2021 Inductees

A chapter of the national honor society for Jesuit colleges and universities has been in place at Xavier since 1939. Candidates for membership are chosen during their junior or senior year or from a graduate program. Candidates must be outstanding in scholarship, in loyalty and in service to the University.

Maddie Andrews  Katherine Fuller  Jessica Goluch  Grant Guzzo  Aubree Herman  Garland Jackson  Julia Jackson  Ashton Kaderli  Victoria Kucler  Emily Langbo

Matthew Blain  Sophie Boulter  Catherine Buckles  Alexander Budzynski  Richelle Cameron  Andrew Devine  Alexander Eng  Alyssa Ferguson  Christo Fosse  Katerine Fuller  Sophie Rogers  Abigail Rose  Devin Russell  Margaret Ryan  Samantha Smolzer  Amy Steeno  Lauren Talbot  Leona Ullery  Richard Villarreal  Sean Waluk

Julia Lankisch  Olivia Martini  Kevin Miller  Mackenzie Mullins  Brooke Nola  Mya Priester  Clare Ravizza  Carson Rayhill  Nicholas Reynolds  Abby Rich
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