

College of Engineering & Computer Science

CONVOCATION

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A Message from the Dean

Dear Graduates,

Congratulations on earning your degree from Syracuse University! This degree will mean something different to each of you. Maybe you are in the first generation of your family to earn a degree. Some of you will continue your studies in graduate school or within an academic or research lab career. Perhaps you were unsure if this day would ever come as you struggled to surmount curricular, research, or personal barriers. Regardless of your path, you have every reason to be immensely proud of your accomplishments.

Your Syracuse education will be transformative as you begin your career. By now, you have surely come to realize that the skill sets you obtained here are just part of the benefit of your degree: You are tremendously valuable because of your problem-solving mindset, and because you can respond to ever-changing challenges. After all, we have certainly learned that the issues that confront us now are (clearly!) not the issues that confronted the world five years ago, and they won't be the ones that confront us five years from now.

Engineering and computer science problems are fraught with uncertainty and complexity, and often require a vast skillset that no one person has. They require us to work with people having different disciplines, coming from different backgrounds, and pursuing a broad array of different goals. I plead with you not to underestimate your own importance in addressing the grand challenges that our society faces. Those difficult courses, papers, and projects you labored through are designed precisely to help you as you embark on your next phase of life. Maybe you worry that in the workplace, you won't remember certain formulas, will forget how some algorithm works, and won't know the latest programming language that a new generation adopts. This is inevitable; what matters is the fact that you know how to learn, adapt, and innovate, just as you did during your time at Syracuse.

As a Syracuse University alumnus, you will surely serve as an inspiration to future generations. As you build a safer, healthier, and more sustainable world, be sure to stay in touch and find ways to inspire the next generation with your knowledge, experience, and support. Your faculty and staff will miss you more than you think, and they care deeply about your continued success. Please take the time to connect with us, thank the ones who meant the most to you during your journey here, and stay in touch to share your continued success with us.

Sincerely,



J. Cole Smith

Dean, College of Engineering & Computer Science
Syracuse University

*We dedicate this program to all past and present students of Syracuse University's
College of Engineering and Computer Science and to their families and friends.*

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Convocation Program

PRESIDING

Michelle Blum, Ph.D.
Associate Dean for Student Affairs

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Faculty, Distinguished Guests, Academic Leadership of the College, and the Dean

WELCOME

Cole Smith, Dean, College of Engineering and Computer Science

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY & AWARDS FOR OUTSTANDING DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Civil & Environmental Engineering

THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Kerrin Anne O'Grady, Candidate for Biomedical Engineering, B.S.
with an Integrated Learning Major, Neuroscience

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Biomedical and Chemical Engineering

THE GRADUATE STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

Michael Ammourey, Candidate for Ph.D., Civil Engineering

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering and Engineering Management

GUEST SPEAKER

Mrs. Latisha "Tish" Rourke; BS '87 & MS '94 Electrical Engineering

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering, Computer Science and Cybersecurity

DEAN'S FORMAL REMARKS

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Faculty, Distinguished Guests, Academic Leadership of the College, and the Dean

PROCESSIONAL AND RECESSIONAL MUSIC

Fayetteville-Manlius High School Brass Quintet

TRUMPET Rilee Pesce, Liam Newton; HORN Camille Ryan

TROMBONE Sawyer Martinez-Arias; TUBA Charles Chisholm

Doctor of Philosophy Degree Candidates

This list represents the names of students who filed a diploma request card by April 1, 2025 to declare their candidacy for participation in graduation ceremonies.

Michael Ammoury

Ph.D. Civil Engineering

Advisor: Baris Salman

“Advancing Sustainability and Pandemic Resilience at Airports: A Framework for Technology Adoption in the Post-COVID-19 Era”

Sulaiman Ahmed Al Tami

Ph.D. Civil Engineering

Advisor: Baris Salman

“Real-Time Control (RTC)-Based Urban Flood Risk Assessment Framework for Arid and Semi-Arid Regions”

Johnson Nana Agyapong

Ph.D. Bioengineering

Advisor: James H. Henderson

“The Formation and Control of Wrinkling Topographies on 4D Printed Substrates”

Weiheng Chai

Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Advisor: Senem Velipasalar-Gursoy

“Generating and Detecting Adversarial Examples for Increased Security and Privacy”

Vincent Julian Godas

Ph.D. Chemical Engineering

Advisor: Viktor Cybulskis

“Studies on the Synthesis, Reactivity, and Stability of Au Nanoparticles in Ti-MFI Zeolites for Propylene Epoxidation within H₂/O₂ Mixtures”

Ziyang Jiao

Ph.D. Computer and Information Science and Engineering

Advisor: Bryan Kim

“Towards the Next Generation of Storage Stack for Nand Flash Memory-Based Systems”

Griffin Michael Kearney

Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Advisor: Makan Fardad

“A General Optimization Framework For the Enrichment of Data”

Jingjing Ji

Ph.D. Biomedical and Chemical Engineering

Advisor: Shikha Nangia

"Investigation of hydrophathy of proteins, lipid-modified proteins, and self-defensive biomaterials"

Yousr Dhaouadi Khattab

Ph.D. Chemical Engineering

Advisor: Dacheng Ren

"Optogenetic Control of Bacterial Dormancy"

Jiayu Li

Ph.D. Computer and Information Science and Engineering

Advisor: Reza Zafarani

"Enhancing Efficiency and Capability of Graph Neural Networks by Editing Graphs"

Wenhua Lin

Ph.D. Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Advisor: Yeqing Wang

"Effects of Negative Poisson's Ratio on the Mechanics of Auxetic Carbon Fiber Composites Under Tensile, Buckling and Low Velocity Impact"

Senyuan Liu

Ph.D. Chemical Engineering

Advisor: Radhakrishna Sureshkumar

"Thermodynamics and Shear Flow Dynamics of Block Copolymer Morphologies in Solution"

Eloise Eyo Parry Nweye

Ph.D. Chemical Engineering

Advisor: Dacheng Ren

"Indoor Airborne Pathogen Transmission and Control: A Role of Environmental Factors and Material Properties"

Chenbin Pan

Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Advisor: Senem Velipasalar-Gursoy

"Prompt Learning for Video Understanding"

Natalie Marie Petryk

Ph.D. Bioengineering

Advisor: Mary Beth Monroe

"Biodegradable and Bioactive Polyurethane Foams to Improve Traumatic Wound Healing"

Changcheng Pu

Ph.D. Civil Engineering

Advisor: Teng Zeng

"Fate, Composition and Formation of Unknown N-Nitrosamines in Wastewater and Wastewater-Impacted Waters"

Ammar Salman Salman

Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Advisor: Wenliang Du

"A TrustZone-based Framework to Secure Mobile Financial Transactions and Provide End-to-End Protection for Qrcode Payments and Credit Card Information"

Mohamad Hani Sulieman

Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Advisor: M. Cenk Gursoy

"Path planning and cyber-physical system integration in unmanned aerial vehicles for wireless communication"

Brian Philip Testa

Computer and Information Science and Engineering

Advisor: Asif Salekin

"Privacy Protection in Machine Learning via Exploitation of Constrained Adversarial Evasion"

Nghia Le Ba Thai

Ph.D. Bioengineering

Advisor: Mary Beth Monroe

"Multifunctional Hydrogel Scaffolds for Tissue Engineering and Wound Healing Applications"

Hao Tian

Ph.D. Computer and Information Science and Engineering

Advisor: Reza Zafarani

"Exploring Higher-Order Networks"

Nagbhushan Veerapaneni

Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Advisor: C.Y. Roger Chen

"Modeling and Algorithms to Simplify Complex Multi-Clock/Edge Timing Constraints in High Performance Synchronous Digital Circuits"

Jiyang Wang

Ph.D. Electrical and Computer Engineering

Advisor: Senem Velipasalar-Gursoy

"Cognitive Load Classification From Functional Near-infrared Spectroscopy Data"

Yibo Wang

Ph.D. Electrical & Computer Engineering

Advisor: Yuzhe Tang

"Automated Flaw Discovery in Decentralized Systems via Semantic Fuzzing Tools"

Cole Anthony Wilhelm

Ph.D Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Advisor: Jeongmin Ahn and Jianshun Zhang

“Anhydrous Ammonia as a Hydrogen Carrier Fuel for Solid Oxide Fuel Cells”

Jingyu Xin

Ph.D. Computer and Information Science and Engineering

Advisor: Vir V. Phoha and Asif Salekin

“Enhancing Security and Robustness of Contextual Human-Centric Sensing”

Yikang Xu

Ph.D. Bioengineering

Advisor: Dacheng Ren

“Engineering Biomaterial Interfaces for Microbial Control”

Libin Yang

Ph.D. Civil Engineering

Advisor: Zhao Qin

“Multi-Scale Analysis of The Structure-Mechanics Relationship of Mycelium-Based Bio-Composites”

Chenxu Zhao

Ph.D. Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

Advisor: Wanliang Shan

“Understanding Shell Adhesion Mechanics for Soft Gripper Design”

Master of Science Degree Candidates

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BIOENGINEERING/BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Paige Bencivenga
Shane Aaron Corridore
Verona E. Hendricks
HuanYu Lin

Yu Liu
Blake Anthony Medrano Cabildo
Carly Jane Ward
Anthony Allan Watt

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Baqi Ozomata Atimah
Jake Tyler Jock

Jingxuan Zhang

CIVIL ENGINEERING

Lindsey Nicole Bush
David Coghiel
Mayur Suryakant Desai
Edin Hurtic
Feiran Jin

Ruthvik Krishna
Evangelia Larson
Trevor Carl Thieme
Abigail Meghan Wischerath
Ruohan Xu

COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Yuao Ai
Adekunle Joseph Akinshola
Casey Marie Banas
Dana Marie Castillo Chea
Yashwanth Goud Deshini
Rutuja Deshpande
Sharvari Satish Doijode
Thomas P. Esposito
Daivik Gangappa
Shane Hickson
Clifford R. Hightower
Adebola Ibiyode
Chandler Johns
Vinuth Babu Kalmidi
Jonathan Francis Koch
Venkata Sai Sri Viswanath Kothe
Shrinidhi Shankar Kulkarni
Anish Kuvelkar

Ryan Landers
Zirui Liu
James Lu
Wenzhe Ma
Abhinav Reddy Mosali
Sreedhar Reddy Mukkamalla
Siva Ganesh Polepalli
Loga Vignesh Ramiah
Trent Reeves
Andrew F. Reichle
Katherine Louise Rivera
Alexander Segarra
Ashwin Shankarnarayana
Ran Sun
Aamani Suvarna
Mimansa Verma
Yuxuan Wang
Hema Shree Yalavarthi

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Yogita Sree Kavya Adari
Meghana Agnigundala
Sooraj Rajeev Akkammadam Koller
Levidu B. Alahakoon
Hassan Alwishah
Rohit Anilkumar
Hannah C. Ashton
Simran Sanjay Atre
Kamaljit Kaur Aulakh
Malek Badwan
Nimeesh Nilesh Bagwe
Sanved Bahendwar
Abhinav Bajpai
Sameer Ashok Balkawade
Harini Ballalasamudra Mohankumar
Shreya Santosh Bandodkar
Gourab Abhijit Bank
Vineeth Reddy Beeram
Swapnil Satish Bhalerao
Kshitij Pritish Bharambe
Manas Rajendra Bhilare
Shivam Prashant Bhosale
Ishita Ashok Borkar
Tristan Brody
Tyler J Brown
Weibin Cai
Atharva Rajesh Chandras
Samyuktha Chaparla
Sahil Abhay Chaubal
Chih-Chia Chen
Jingyuan Chen
Yulong Chen
Zhiyi Chen
Sai Bharath Chowdary Chennupati
Kamal Preetam Chittuluri
Sri Krishna Chaitanya Chivatam
Sakshi Umesh Chordia
Abhishek Raj Chowdary
Matthew A. Cockle
Thomas Cogley
Joe Cranston
Haoyun Dai
Rohith Damarla
Bhumika Dasari
Arlene Antony Dcosta

Shreya Vitthal Deexit
Ajay Hemanshu Desai
Rushikesh Sanjay Deshmukh
Samruddha Atul Deshmukh
Kunal Umesh Deshpande
Tejas Manjunatha Devang
Uday Devaraj
Shravan Mahesh Dharkar
Vedant Ravindra Dhoke
Huan Trong Doan
Matthew Dowling
Raga Naga Sowmya Eemani
Shubham Melvin Felix
Rui Feng
Alexander Foley
Sagar Narendra Gada
Venkata Narasimha Srikar Gade
Apoorva Gadkari
Suved Srinivas Ganduri
Abhishek Umesh Gavali
Sachi Jagannath Gawai
Titus Ghosh
Venkata Satya Sri Ram Giduthuri
Kalinskies Gilliam
Rutuja Bapurao Giri
Altin Gjonbalaj
Sai Vennela Gowreddy
Karthiga Gujuluva Ravichandran
Nikhilesh Gunnam
Yifei Guo
Sahil Gupta
Manohar Guvvu
Jannah Hassan-Badwan
Ankit Chandrashekhar Hiremath
Shweta Kashinath Hiremath
Akshay Kumar Huliya Prabhakara
Dylan V. Irzyk
Aditi Mangesh Jadhav
Akshay Vilas Jadhav
Kshiteeja Santosh Jadhav
Haravindan Jayasenan Jain
Sunidhi Anup Jain
Vinija Jain
Rohit Sanjay Jaiswal
Ameya Nitin Vinaya Jajulwar

COMPUTER SCIENCE, CONTINUED

Mrunmayee Atul Jakate	Venkata Amardeep Marpina
Priyanka Sunil Jawalkar	Shripad Sunil Mathekar
Lavesh Rajesh Jaykar	Nicholas Maurer
Frederick Jackson Jones	Prasham Kamlesh Mehta
Richard D. Jorgensen	Pranitha Mendonsa
Steve Joseph	Praneel Girish Mhatre
Shubham Joshi	Shivani Mishra
Aravinda K R	Rinkal Kirsankumar Mistry
Shreya Rahul Kale	Darshil Chetan Modi
Kirankumar Vijaykumar Kanaje	Bidisha Mondal
Harshitha Reddy Kancherla	Rushi Kamlesh More
Midhuneshwar Kandasamy Kanivalavan	Divija Morishetty
Vishv Dineshbhai Kaneria	Namita Sacchidanand Naikwadi
Aswin Tony Kanikairaj	Pranathi Nallala
Girish Kanjiyani	Nikshit Suresh Nallapagari
Divya Kapil	Raj Nandini
Preet Kishor Karia	Sahana Narasipura Vasudevarao
Hema Kota Venkata Nagababu Katakam	Adithya Neelakantan
Yashpreet Singh Khambay	Vu Xuan Nguyen
Altaf Mohd Khan	Varis Nijat
Sai Chakradhar Kola	Vaama Shrikrishna Nikam
Rangel Anselm Koli	Srinidhi Nukala
Dayaasaagar Krishnanmani	Chandler K. Nunokawa
Ramakrishnan	Kevin Osadiaye
Uddesh Shyam Kshirsagar	Jayom Bipin Oza
Atharva Kulkarni	Roshni Rajmani Pal
Parth Pramod Kulkarni	Prit Dilip Palan
Sanika Shriniwas Kulkarni	Venkata Sri Siva Ramakrishna Palaparthi
Utkarsh Vaibhav Kulkarni	Sai Keerthan Palavarapu
Shreyas Kumar	Vineet Panwar
Joseph I. Laible	Jasmine K. Parmar
Kshitija Sheshmal Landge	Viraj Ashokbhai Patel
Deyu Li	Viraj Harshadbhai Patel
Shu Li	Yash Rajeshkumar Patel
Yanchen Li	Arya Amol Pathrikar
Yi Ling	Yogesh Sanjay Patil
Pengfei Liu	Anika Shreya Pawar
Abhir Mahajan	Pedro J. Pedro Ortiz
Neeraj Dinakar Mahajan	Jashwanth Peguda
Spoorthi Jayaprakash Malgund	Dileep Kumar Perala
Aditee Suryakant Malviya	Vedant Sanjay Pimple
Qingyuan Mao	Aditya Porwal
Vedant Vilas Mapare	Rahul Manjunath Pudurkar

Induja Sreenivasan Ragava
Vansh Vinod Rahate
Atharvaa Manisha Anil Rane
Rahul Ravikanti
Precious Alex Rodrigues
Melanie Anne Rose
Vinithra Sadras
Swaraj Santosh Sambare
Adishree Sane
Fathima Sania
Prathik Reddy Sannapureddy
Rohini Saravanakumar
Pratik Vijaykumar Satpute
Siddhesh Save
Manasi Sanjeevan Sawant
Kevin Jayesh Shah
Krupa Minesh Shah
Saad Parvaiz Shah
Yash Santosh Sharma
Divit Dayakar Shetty
Pratham Prakash Shetty
Perna Ganesh Shinde
Aryan Tushar Shirwadkar
Thiru Siddharth
Anthony J. Sinette

Kelly Smith
Charitha Tadakanti
Sohan Ramesh Thakur
Siddhartha Thota
Carl Thurnau
Yuan Tian
Nishank Pradeep Tiwari
Komal Ashok Torlikonda
Tarini Prasad Tripathy
Linnet Cosmos Tuscano
Brinda Upendra Kumar
Bhavana Uppala
Mohit Jaysukhbhai Vadsak
Shruti Rajesh Vasave
Amit Prakash Vatyani
Saisri Vishwanath
Ninad Chetan Walanj
Zirui Wang
Vishal Dnyaneshwar Wavhale
Mark Wess
Rajas Yashodhan Yardi
Jialin Ye
Venkata Yashwanth Yellapragada
Dylan Yong
Yanghanyu Zhao

CYBERSECURITY

Joshua Babcock
Karman Chawla
Aneela Chowdary Doppalapudi
Krunal Balkrishna Gaikwad
Shruti Gaikwad
James Gillis
John Holt
Rashmi Anand Joshi
Rajaraajeshwaran Ramasamy Kannan
Zaid Sajid Hussain Kazi
Aaryan Mandanapu

Alaivaa D. Mase
Vinay Pramod Menon
Sai Aishwarya Namavarapu
Praveen Kumar Penukonda
Shivam Pisal
Daniel J. Shannon
Rishoo Singh
Christopher G. Skorupski
Kotaro Ueoka
Godvin Vaz

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Ghaith Alqutbi
Yintong Chen
Paolo Francis Bacon Fossati
Joshua Michael Kortje

Zhihao Liu
Luis Enrique Santin
Yufan Wang
Zhuocheng Wang

ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT

Leigha Nicole Allen
Abdallah Altaqaz
Anagha Ashok
Mihir Nandkumar Bhole
LeRyah Buckingham
Bryan Bladimir Bueno Reyes
Yeshwanth Chalapathi Sureshkumar
Dhiraj Ganesh Chaudhari
Vikrant Deepak Chaure
David Matthew Denneen
Yash Rajesh Deora
Tanmay Shivanand Desai
Neel Manoj Deshmukh
Neha Mukund Gaikwad
Pranay Vipul Gandhi
Rutika Prakash Gangurde
Akshay Garg
Gifty Mariyam George
Brianna Gillfillian
Himisha Mahendra Hingu
Aditya Hemant Joshi
Priyanka Chandrarao Kankatala

Yeshwanth Kaveti
Nikita Rajendra Kshirsagar
Anish Kiran Kuperkar
Jahnvi Laveti
Jay Vivek Masal
Apurva Sheetal Mhetre
Aanchal Narendra
Suhas Rao Padakuduru Suresha
Mayur Hitendra Panchal
Shweta Sandeep Pandere
Richa Pandey
Manav Vijay Patel
Prasad Ravindra Ranka
Rashi Vinay Raut
Smit Suraj Shet
Sanviti Vijay Shetty
Harshal Arvind Shinde
Siri Srinivas
Architha Surabhi
Relina Vas
Dhwani Rajendra Vora
Zihao Zeng

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING SCIENCE

Aysia Aliciya Cobb
Mohammed Qasim Mehdi

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Siddhant Bansal
Amos Kiplimo Bungei
Liesel Odden

Fatemeh Rezaei
Reilly Zink

MECHANICAL AND AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

Fahmi Fareed Alnuaimi
Isra Noor Bilal
Jakob Samuel Bryant
Elan Fullmer
Ryan Matthew Gallagher
Samuel Ryan Getman
Andrea Jean Hoe
Yue Hu
Mezong Jamir
Trevor Anthony Knight
William Armstrong Martin

Gregory Christopher Slodysko Jr.
Ian Storrs
Veekshit Surapalli
Marco Svolinsky
Indrajith Theerthagiri
Ashutosh Sunil Trigune
Cody Van Nostrand
Hassan Nadir Vinent Forcade
Cameron Matthew Woodbury
Jingyu Zhao

Bachelor of Science Candidates

This list represents the names of students who filed a diploma request card by April 1, 2025 to declare their candidacy for participation in graduation ceremonies.

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

Allyson Almeida
Sophia Johana Ameneyro Fourcade
Michael F. Arena
Alicia Kailani Caputo
Curtis Cline
Aidan Ryan Coffey
Bryan Collins
Michael Donato
Nadia Alexis Elsaeid
Benjamin David Faasse
Lucas Alan Fegely
Victoria Elizabeth Forsyth
Blake Nicholas George
Christopher Mario Godoy
Noah Goldstein
Yousif Hassan
Elizabeth Anne Bostwick Hogan
Matthew James Holmes
Paula Cristina Ibelings
Joseph Manuel Javier
Maximillian Lipinski

Brendan Michael Marquis
Jonathan Henry Martin
Elsa Adrianna Martin
Hunter Robert McElhinney
Brady Joseph McKenna
Parker Byrne McMillan
Tatiyyanah Queen-Asia Hope Nelums
Suragith Paul
Miles Alexander Perry
Madeleine Suzanne Piquette
Samantha Michelle Riedel
Daniela Maria Ruano-Pinos
Michael Chandler Saks
Winston James Schaumlöffel
William Arthur Sennett
Kanya Shah
Kathryn Amber Smith
Angelina Isabelle Szyszko
Saimun Uddin
William Silverster Daniel Yaman
Zihao Zeng

BIOENGINEERING/BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Ashraf Alnatour
Jason Bae
Tessa Riley DeCicco
Olivia Celine Etienvre
Tessa Danielle Galipeau
Jennifer Gonzalez
Sophie Faith Grady
Jenna Grutzmacher
Quinn Patrick Langdon
Blanca Estela Lopez
Shayna Elise Marcano
Aidan Theresa McCarthy
Katherine Grace Monroe
Kerrin Anne O'Grady

Mia Dian Paynton
Samantha Fernandez Perez
Luke Brix Rogers
Amira Salihovic
Juliana Sepulveda Gonzalez
Bridget Yong Sides
Jack Reed Sipperly
Farrah Cristina Sousa
Luke Barton Spears
Abdullah Swati
Danny Vu
Michael West
Julian Marcus Smucker Zorn

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Daud Ansarovich Abdullayev
Jordan Avinoam
Poppe D. Constable
Mia Angela Goldberg
Christopher Max Hansen
Natalia Jarmain
Hope Irene Johnson
Sonia Julius
Emma Grace Klein
Haonan Ma

Annika Daphne Meyers
Erin Marie O'Donnell
Sean Patrick O'Toole
Eli Irvin Paster
Isabella Noelani Perkins
Nora Swan Prosak
Alexis Riccardo
Riley Madison Schmerber
Daisy Wilson
Jackson Richard Yuen

CIVIL ENGINEERING

Shalom Acheampong
Patrick Joseph Alberga
Maren Behnke
Christian Balingit Bianco
Noah J. Bonett
Hunter Anthony Burns
Santiago Alejandro Carrillo
Colton Jesse Dias
Kelly Diaz Rojas
Logan Richard Dunspaugh
Jack Dwyer
Marlee Ann Ecton
Xuanjie Fan
Connor Preston Hill
Noah Desimone lalongo
Abdulghaffar Jasim
Julia Ann Johnson-Milstein
Jason Eagle Ju
Jakob Lamond Keller
Marlene Lara-Torres
William Ma

Charles George Mediavilla
Lucas James Meiers
Kathleen Rose Meleski
Esau Merino Mendoza
Trevor Robert Napoli
Abigail Micah Neitch
Justin Wayne Pettit
John Pham
Maxwell Robert Pozar
Isabela Argentina Rodriguez
Yangsen Rong
Aaron Presley Shinn
Jonathan D. Somar
Tanver Sultan
Jose Arturo Venegas
Kana Li Wong
Angelina Maggie Wong
Sarah Wong
Weilan Zhang
Scott Michael Zimmerman

COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Abougassim Hamad Abdallah
Samantha Alcala
Graciela Gicel Avila
Brandon Louis Bacchetta
Collin Chamberlain
Melvin Ruben Escobar Gonzalez
Alexander Joseph Hai
Ronnell Harry
Armani Amanam Isonguyo
Aleksa Ivkovic
Kasey Jackson
Vikram Kakumanu
Sean Joseph Labrada

Tyler Alexander Lavaway
Josiah Lee
Aksel James Malatak
Jacob Stephen Masrouri
Jas Derek Moreno
Pierce Austin Neubert
Uchechukwuka Zane Obiofuma
Anthony Patrick Riello
Anel Rizvic
Mia Russo
Zachary Starr
Luke Walker Wanlass
Declan Wavle

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Caleb Aguirre-Leon
Huda A. Ali
Anas Abdallah Hussein Alkhashroom
Christian Quincy Alves-Patterson
Michael Ikenna Azubike
Niloy Basak
Emma Bellai
Jayandre James Boscia
Amanda Leigh Bowdren
Ella Maria Brink
Brandon Scott Brushwyler
Omar Camara
Isabel Cardoso
Lawrence Chen
Qiyao Chen
Zhongquan Cheng
Oscar Chi
Dexter P. Chin
Daniel Chmielewski
Almir Asif Chowdhury
Mykhailo Oleksandrovych Chuvik
Noah Cotler
Miguel Angel Cruz Flores
Aidan Christopher DeGooyer
Alpha Oumar Diallo
Lucille Jennifer DiSalvo
Yassin Mahmoud Elsharafi
Jair Espinoza

Bennett Ferrari
Steven Alan Fitzgerald
Derek Gonzalez
Dené Dior Gordon
John Martin Gorman
Ashley Marie Hamilton
George Robert Haunfelner
Yanju Huang
Tianyiming Jing
Lauren Keona Kaaiakamanu
Nahid Hossain Kalam
Xiaoya Kang
Maxwell Albert Kaufman
Joshua Jayvant Zachary Koshy
Felix A Lang
Hung Thanh Le
Justin Lee
Donghao Li
Sandy Lin
Juwei Lin
Samuel Zihao Lin
Zekai Lin
Aaron Lin
Joshua Zhou Liu
Qiyu Liu
Menglu Liu
Michael Lupton Jr.
Andrew Thomas Markarian

Cameron Abrielle Mitchell
Philip Anthony Mocerì
Aaron Masoud Moradi
Ryan Murphy
Krutartha Nagesh
Christopher Scott Nemeth Jr.
Jillienne Judith Ness
Arianna Cassandra Nguyen
Cheryl Hadasa Olanga
Joseph Ekpem Onwe
Marissa Lynn Orsley
Timothy Paek
Adya Aditi Parida
Will Park
Ethan Petrie
Dylan Joseph Pettinelli
Carlo Francesco Pisacane
Raasin Amin Rahman
Kezia N. Regis
Samuel Roberson
Jack Schmidt
Mandeep Manu Shergill
Abheek Singh

Chad Thom Smith
Anthony Logan Solt
Townsend Garner Southard Pantano
Hayden Christopher Spelbring
Dylan R. Stein
Samuel Thomas Stowers
Eduardo Torres-Garcia
Maxwell D. Townsend
Kevin Anthony Verdeschi
Kritika Verma
Christopher Mark Vinciguerra
Zijian Wang
Tianhao Wang
Brian Matthew Wong
Ryan Henry Wong
Sonya Yim
Xiao Lin Zheng
Yunya Zhou
Yitao Zhou
Qiwen Zhu
Kevin Zhu
Yi Zhu

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Harry Agyei
Leshui Chen
Mingfu Chen
Kevin James Donnelly
Randy Galicia
Anthony John Giovannini
Xingtai Huang
Myles Hudson
Joseph Charles Jannello

Michael Matthew Kelly
Albert Y Liu
Matthew McCarthy
Angel Antonio Medina
Pierce Austin Neubert
David Jackson Peters
Diego Prestamo
Connor Sumner
Brendan James Tolan

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Brandon Michael Benjamin
Emma Crandall
Elisabeth Haggerty
Joshua Reed Higgins
Henry David Long
Praise Omoregie
Hennecys Darlene Perez Castro
Ella Hope Phipps

Oliver D. Raycroft
Kaura Y Reyes Villaran
Hayley Shay Scott
Noah Michael Sherman
Liheng Sun
Andrew Vanderwege
Emily Jean Vogel

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Kiana Abreu
Mackenzie Anderson
Aidan Paul Bergman
Jeffrey Trent Bernstein
Anthony Brian Berrafato
Jack Riley Bisaillon
Chloe Marie Britton Naime
Brinley Bruening
Emory Carlson
Junjie Chen
Winston Dewaine Chilson
Liam Edward Collins
Caroline Rosemary D'Addio
Fernando De Oliveira Poli
Seydou Madieng Diao
Thomas John Fabiano
Stephen Mark Fisher
Owen Christopher Gallen
Charles James Germosen
Kara Aichun Gorman
Kaixi Gu
Ian David Hawkins
Miguel Herrera
Stefano T. Ingargiola
James Jabbour
Vian Vishal Jain
Mitchel Lemuel James
Joshua Jones

Sarah Sun Ah Jun
Channing Alexander Smallegange Kalec
Jason Kapodistrias
Bryce Kemp
Deanna Summer Koppenjan
Matthew Macfarlane
Christian J Meadows
James Patrick Melitski
Oscar Wray Morabito
Pablo Morales
Lukas Allen Morris
Gabriel James O'Connor
Mirnes Osmanovic
Nathaniel Ryan Paradis
Adriana Irene Paulhus
Kastytis Paunksnis
Tanner Josiah Peck
Jack Xiaoyang Qu
Mykhaylo Rafalskyy
Ian William Roche
Jasmine Victoria Rodriguez
Justin Sauve
Dionysios Skaltsas
Samuel Theodore Slaiby
Alexandra Rose Vaida
Griffin Riley Vollers
Michael David Wehrle
Jackson Riley Wicks

Honors

CUM LAUDE

Shalom Acheampong	Michael Lupton Jr.
Graciela Gicel Avila	Andrew Thomas Markarian
Brandon Scott Brushwyler	Matthew McCarthy
Omar Camara	Cameron Abrielle Mitchell
Caroline Rosemary D'Addio	Tatiyyanah Queen-Asia Hope Nelums
Alpha Oumar Diallo	Ethan Petrie
Steven Alan Fitzgerald	Carlo Francesco Pisacane
Fernando De Oliveira Poli	Nora Swan Prosak
Xuanjie Fan	Anel Rizvic
Bennett Ferrari	Daniela Maria Ruano-Pinos
Miguel Angel Cruz Flores	Mia Russo
Victoria Elizabeth Forsyth	Michael Chandler Saksa
Melvin Ruben Escobar Gonzalez	Jack Schmidt
Kara Aichun Gorman	Juliana Sepulveda Gonzalez
Elisabeth Haggerty	Justin Sauve
Alexander Joseph Hai	Kanya Shah
George Robert Haunfelner	Zachary Starr
Joseph Charles Jannello	Alexandra Rose Vaida
Sarah Sun Ah Jun	Sarah Wong
Maxwell Albert Kaufman	Jackson Richard Yuen
Joshua Jayvant Zachary Koshy	Xiao Lin Zheng
Menglu Liu	Kevin Zhu
Qiyu Liu	

Summa Cum Laude (3.8 GPA or higher), Magna Cum Laude (3.6 GPA or higher), and Cum Laude (3.4 GPA or higher) distinctions in this list are projections based on the student's cumulative GPA at the end of the Fall 2024 semester. This list is subject to change pending the completion of all required coursework and final cumulative GPA

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Anas Abdallah Hussein Alkhashroom
Allyson Almeida
Adeline Anderson
Jason Bae
Maren Behnke
Jeffrey Trent Bernstein
Ella Maria Brink
Brinley Bruening
Leshui Chen
Mingfu Chen
Dexter P. Chin
Mykhailo Oleksandrovych Chuvik
Curtis Cline
Bryan Collins
Poppe D. Constable
Tessa Riley Decicco
Aidan Christopher DeGooyer
Kevin James Donnelly
Randy Galicia
Charles James Germosen
Anthony John Giovannini
Jennifer Gonzalez
John Martin Gorman
Kasey Jackson
Natalia Jarman
Julia Ann Johnson-Milstein
Xiaoya Kang
Jakob Lamond Keller
Maximillian Lipinski
Quinn Patrick Langdon
Juwei Lin
Joshua Zhou Liu
Jacob Stephen Masrouri

Aidan Theresa McCarthy
Lucas James Meiers
Philip Anthony Moceri
Katherine Grace Monroe
Christopher Scott Nemeth Jr.
Jillienne Judith Ness
Pierce Austin Neubert
Cheryl Hadasa Olanga
Marissa Lynn Orsley
Mia Dian Paynton
Isabella Noelani Perkins
Justin Wayne Pettit
Ella Hope Phipps
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SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Aidan Paul Bergman
Chloe Marie Britton Naime
Lawrence Chen
Daniel Chmielewski
Emma Crandall
Lucille Jennifer Disalvo
Michael Donato
Marlee Ann Ecton
Benjamin David Faasse
Thomas John Fabiano
Mia Angela Goldberg
Jenna Grutzmacher
Ashley Marie Hamilton
Christopher Max Hansen
Xingtai Huang
Myles Hudson
Paula Cristina Ibelings
Tianyiming Jing
Hope Irene Johnson
Sonia Julius
Emma Grace Klein
Sandy Lin
Henry David Long
Aksel James Malatak
Brendan Michael Marquis
Elsa Adrianna Martin
Jonathan Henry Martin

Parker Byrne McMillan
James Patrick Melitski
Kathleen Rose Meleski
Annika Daphne Meyers
Ryan Murphy
Krutartha Nagesh
Abigail Micah Neitch
Arianna Kassandra Nguyen
Erin Marie O'Donnell
Kerrin Anne O'Grady
Timothy Paek
Nathaniel Ryan Paradis
Adya Aditi Parida
Eli Irvin Paster
Maxwell Robert Pozar
Amira Salihovic
Mandeep Shergill
Kathryn Amber Smith
Samuel Thomas Stowers
Eduardo Torres-Garcia
Andrew Vanderwege
Kevin Verdeschi
Christopher Mark Vinciguerra
Emily Jean Vogel
Danny Vu
Qiwen Zhu
Julian Marcus Smucker Zorn

Scholars Awards & Prizes

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS

The highest undergraduate honor awarded by Syracuse University.

Kerrin Anne O'Grady
Timothy Paek

REMEMBRANCE SCHOLARS

Awarded by Syracuse University to honor the SU students lost in the bombing of Pam Am Flight 103.

Cheryl Hadasa Olanga
Adya Aditi Parida

ALL-UNIVERSITY DOCTORAL PRIZES

Awarded by the Graduate School to recognize superior achievement in completed dissertations.

Chenbin Pan
Jiayu Li
Jiyang Wang
Libin Yang
Nghia Le Ba Thai

Weiheng Chai
Yibo Wang
Yikang Xu
Ziyang Jiao

GRADUATE SCHOOL MASTER OF SCIENCE PRIZE

Awarded by the Graduate School to recognize outstanding achievement among recipients of M.S. degrees.

Akshay Vilas Jadhav
Weibin Cai

RENÉE CROWN UNIVERSITY HONORS

For seniors who have completed a multi-semester senior Capstone Project and have demonstrated an excellent command of language and commitment to global awareness, civic engagement, collaborative work, and academic breadth and depth.

Chloe Marie Britton Naime
Dexter P. Chin
Tessa Riley DeCicco
Emma Grace Klein
Krutartha Nagesh

Tatiyyanah Queen-Asia Hope Nelums
Timothy Paek
Carlo Francesco Pisacane
Kanya Shah
Kritika Verma

U.S. ARMED FORCES COMMISSIONS

The College of Engineering and Computer Science has a long tradition of helping to prepare leaders for our nation's armed services. These members of the Class of 2025 will be commissioned on Friday, May 9.

Hunter Anthony Burns, Air Force
Jack Dwyer, Air Force
Justin Lee, Army

Charles George Mediavilla, Army
Christopher Scott Nemeth Jr., Army
Jackson Riley Wicks, Army

University College Awards

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OUTSTANDING GRADUATE AWARD

For outstanding part-time students earning a graduate degree with distinction.

LeRyiah Buckingham

College-Wide Awards and Prizes

COLLEGE MARSHALS

Two seniors who will lead the academic procession of graduates at Commencement, selected for academic achievements, scholarly activities, service to others, extracurricular activities, and collegiality.

Tessa Riley DeCicco
Brady Arruda

GEORGE M. BERRY AWARD FOR BEST ALL-AROUND SENIOR

For excellence in academics, with distinguished contributions through leadership, service, and extracurricular activities.

Kerrin O'Grady

GEORGE M. BERRY AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING DESIGN ACHIEVEMENT

For a senior who has demonstrated outstanding creativity and tenacity in developing an original design solution to a technical problem.

Tessa Riley DeCicco

THE YUEH-YING HU MEMORIAL AWARD

For a senior woman who best exemplifies the spirit, determination, and academic excellence demonstrated by Ms. Yueh-Ying Hu.

Emma Grace Klein

Awards & Prizes, continued

THE EARL H. DEVOE PRIZE FOR OUTSTANDING UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

For an undergraduate student who has made a significant scholarly research contribution.

Jonathan Henry Martin

THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SERVICE AWARD

For a senior who has performed extraordinary service on behalf of the College community.

Ella Maria Brink

ANDREA L. RUBIN MEMORIAL AWARD

For a senior completing the requirements of the College of Engineering and Computer Science Cooperative Education Program.

Ashley Marie Hamilton

THE LOUIS N. DEMARTINI AWARD IN OUTSTANDING RESEARCH

Presented to an ECS student who has completed an outstanding design project.

Emily Jean Vogel

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

Endowed by I.A. Hotze, BEE '43, for a senior who has demonstrated the highest level of academic excellence throughout his or her SU career.

Jonathan Henry Martin

THE RICHARD HEIMBURG ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

In honor of our courageous friend and colleague, Dr. Richard Heimbürg, for a senior who has made the most significant creative achievement while maintaining a high level of academic performance.

Parker Byrne McMillan

BIOENGINEERING/BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN GRADUATE STUDY

For an outstanding graduate student in Bioengineering.

Natalie Petryk

KAREN M. HIIEMAE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN BIOENGINEERING

Established in memory of Dr. Karen M. Hiimae, beloved professor, mentor, and pioneer in science and research, for a senior who has combined outstanding academic achievement in bioengineering with the strength and spirit Dr. Hiimae exhibited throughout her life.

Kerrin Anne O'Grady

BIOENGINEERING FOUNDERS AWARD

Awarded in honor of Drs. Joseph Zwislocki and Earl Kletsky, initiators and nurturers of the bioengineering program, to a senior who has demonstrated outstanding and wide-ranging skills.

Tessa Riley DeCicco

OREN NAGASAKO AWARD

For Bioengineering majors who demonstrate outstanding dedication and hard work acting as a preceptor to fellow students.

Danny Vu

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN GRADUATE STUDY

For an outstanding graduate student in Chemical Engineering.

Jingjing Ji

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

Endowed by I.A. Hotze, BEE '43, for the senior with the most distinguished academic record.

Emma Grace Klein

THE ALLEN J. BARDUHN AWARD

For a senior who combines academic excellence with a commitment to service in the chemical engineering profession.

Sonia Julius

CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN GRADUATE STUDY

For an outstanding graduate student in Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Michael Ammoury

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

Endowed by I.A. Hotze, BEE '43, for a senior in environmental engineering with outstanding credentials, who has demonstrated leadership in extracurricular activities.

Emily Jean Vogel

K.L. LUI MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded in memory of Kui Leung Lui for his inspiration to many through his belief in family values, lifelong learning and self-improvement, for a senior who has exemplified hard work, honesty, selflessness and generosity.

Marlene Lara-Torres

THE JOHN BURCH MCMORRAN '22 AWARD

For a civil engineering senior, based on academic performance and extracurricular activities.

Abigail Micah Neitch

CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING FACULTY AWARD

This award is presented annually to a senior who combines academic excellence with a commitment to service in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

Marlee Ann Ecton
Andrew Vanderwege

THE DR. JAMES A. MANDEL PRIZE FOR ACHIEVEMENT IN CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

In honor of professor Emeritus James A. Mandel, for a senior active in the National Society of Black Engineers

Shalom Acheampong
Hennecys Darlene Perez Castro

COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN GRADUATE STUDY

For an outstanding graduate student in Computer Science.

Haoyun Dai
Matthew Dowling

Venkata Satya Sri Ram Giduthuri
Preet Kishor Karia

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN COMPUTER & INFORMATION SCIENCE

Endowed by I.A. Hotze, BEE '43, for a senior in computer and information science who has demonstrated excellence in coursework, project design and implementation, or research.

Adya Aditi Parida

THE WARREN SEMON PRIZE

In honor of Dr. Warren Semon, first dean of the School of Computer and Information Science, for a senior who has established an exceptional scholastic record.

Tianyingming Jing

COMPUTER ENGINEERING

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN GRADUATE STUDY

For an outstanding graduate student in Computer Engineering.

Jonathan Francis Koch

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Endowed by I.A. Hotze, BEE '43, for the computer engineering senior with the most distinguished academic record.

Aksel James Malatak

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN GRADUATE STUDY

For an outstanding graduate student in Electrical Engineering.

Paolo Francis Bacon Fossati

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Endowed by I.A. Hotze, BEE '43, for the electrical engineering senior with the most distinguished academic record.

Myles Hudson

ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN GRADUATE STUDY

For an outstanding graduate student in Engineering Management.

LeRyah Buckingham

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN GRADUATE STUDY

For an outstanding graduate student in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering.

Cody Van Nostrand

JAY WYNER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Established for Jay S. Wyner who studied engineering at SU through the G.I. Bill, for a senior who has demonstrated exceptional academic excellence.

Thomas John Fabiano

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Endowed by I.A. Hotze, BEE '43, for a mechanical engineering senior who has demonstrated a high level of excellence throughout his or her SU career.

Chloe Marie Britton Naime

THE BERNARD WOOD ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

In honor of Dr. Bernard Wood, scholar, teacher and gentleman, for a senior who has made the most significant creative achievement while maintaining a high level of academic performance.

Nathaniel Ryan Paradis

2025 CONVOCATION

Distinguished Guest Speaker Latisha “Tish” Rourke

BS '87 & MS '94 Electrical Engineering

*Vice President, Maritime Systems and Owego Site General Manager
Sikorsky, A Lockheed Martin*

Latisha (Tish) Rourke is the Vice President and General Manager of the Maritime Systems market segment within the Lockheed Martin Rotary and Missions Systems (RMS) business area. In this capacity, she is responsible for a \$1.4B portfolio of programs designing, building, testing, delivering and sustaining Maritime Helicopter and Mission Systems to support the U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard and International Partners.

Throughout Ms. Rourke's 35+ years with Lockheed Martin, she has held many leadership roles of increasing responsibility, including those overseeing engineering, program management and business development within Rotary and Mission Systems. In her most recent roles, Ms. Rourke served as the Vice President of the Cyber & Intelligence (C&I) market segment, Director of the Maritime and Airborne Cyber and Electronic Warfare (MACEW) Programs, and as the director of Radar Sensor Systems (RSS) business development, where she was responsible for multi-billion dollar domestic and international growth efforts. Throughout her assignments Ms. Rourke has led teams in Syracuse and Owego, NY, Palm Beach, FL and Hanover/Annapolis Junction, MD.

Ms. Rourke serves as a member of the Syracuse University Engineering and Computer Science Dean's Leadership Council. She makes it a priority volunteering to inspire students to pursue careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM).

Ms. Rourke holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering from Syracuse University. In 2020, she completed the Lockheed Martin Executive Online Program with Columbia University and Berkeley University.

Currently, Ms. Rourke lives with her husband, Tom, their son, Conlan and their two chocolate labs.

Alma Mater

WHERE THE VALE OF ONONDAGA
MEETS THE EASTERN SKY
PROUDLY STANDS OUR ALMA MATER
ON HER HILLTOP HIGH.
FLAG WE LOVE! ORANGE! FLOAT FOR AYE,
OLD SYRACUSE, O'ER THEE.
LOYAL BE THY SONS AND DAUGHTERS
TO THY MEMORY.

—Junius W. Stevens, Class of 1895

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