

The university community joins together to give praise and thanks to those graduates who have demonstrated excellence during their years here.

The Thomas More Storke Award for Excellence

symbolized by a bronze medal forged by Francis Minturn Sedgwick, is given to the graduating senior who has demonstrated outstanding scholarship and extraordinary service to the university, its students, and the community. This year this distinction is awarded to:



Amelie Calderon



The Jeremy D. Friedman Memorial Award

is presented in grateful recognition of outstanding leadership, scholastic excellence, and innovative contribution to student and community life at the University of California, Santa Barbara, in memory of Jeremy D. Friedman, undergraduate 1979–83. This year's recipient is:

Marina Habib



Alyce Marita Whitted Memorial Award

This award, established in 1993, is presented to one non-traditional graduating senior who has demonstrated endurance, persistence, and courage in the face of extraordinary challenges while in pursuit of an academic degree. This year's recipient is:

Andrew J Smith



Yonie Harris Award for Civility in Public Discourse

is presented to graduates who best exemplify the principles of free speech and respectful dialogue and who foster a campus climate of civility and open-mindedness. This year's recipients is:

Angellina Monique Lugo Querol



Michael D. Young Engaged Scholar Award

This award recognizes the legacy of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Emeritus, Michael D. Young, particularly his commitment to empowering students toward principled leadership. It is awarded to students who have skillfully integrated their scholarly knowledge and/or values into action. This year's recipients are:

Sarah Margaron & Cierra Raine Sorin



University Award of Distinction

The following seniors and graduate students have been selected as recipients of this year's University Award of Distinction, given to students who have contributed greatly to the quality of life by giving unselfish service to others within a particular area.

Phoebe Joycelin Alva
Samuel S. Blair
Chelsea Bohling
Mikayla Buhbe
Abigail Carpenter
Joshua Cenzano
Yuriko Chavez

Walter Corngold
Jane Fong
Jwan Haddad
Alexsia Johnson
Sofia Kroll
Grace Lockwood

Kylie Maeda
Sabrina Marie Maldonado
Daian Martinez
Patricia Pang
Esmé Fierer Puzio
Genesis Gabriela Salcedo

Anastasia Lubuff Senavsky
Lauren Elana Sung
Kathryn Supple
Julia Vargas
Kurt Melvin Ventura
Abby Welch
Athena Yap



University Service Award

The following seniors and graduate students have been selected as recipients of this year's University Service Award, given in recognition of unselfish and dedicated service to the University, its students, and the community.

Caroline Baldan
Julianne D. Braime
Casey Brown
Samuel Armando Cervantes
Racheal Conley
Alexis Jade A. Crisostomo

Hannah Delvalle
Elizabeth Garabedian
Annie Hargis
Amir Iqbal Khan
Lauren Kim

Rachel Yoon Seo Lim
Zoha Lehrasab Malik
Richard Montes Lemus
Luna Moreno
Sabrina Navarro Tapia

Antoinette Obiefuna
Isabella Ramirez
Jonathan Roberts
Andrea Toribio
Tessa Ariel Veksler
Iris Yuh



Vice Chancellor's Award for Scholarship, Leadership, and Citizenship

This award is presented annually to graduating seniors and graduate students who embrace the principles of scholarship, leadership, and citizenship — through activities that enhance UCSB's academic environment, contributions to a consequential project, or extraordinary service to the campus community.

Marlene Calderon
Mary Heffelfinger
Nicholas Hintze

Rebekah Maldonado
Jordan Murray
Jasmin Perez

Stephanie Raya
Madison Urabe-Myers
Francisco J Vega Jr

Ashley Kalishia Yeh
Katie Zentgraf



Award winners, their families, & interested faculty & staff are invited to attend the Awards Ceremony on Friday, June 14, 2024 at 3:30pm in Corwin Pavilion.