University of New Hampshire at Manchester

2021 Honors Convocation

Tuesday, May 18
2021 Honors Convocation Program

This year’s Honors Convocation ceremony is a digital event. Remarks by the following participants have been pre-recorded with time stamps so the audience may choose to view individual speeches.

**Welcoming Remarks**
- Mr. Mike Decelle, Dean
- Dr. Wayne Jones, Provost
- & Vice President for Academic Affairs

**Faculty Address**
- Assistant Professor Maeve Dion, 2021 Excellence in Teaching Award Recipient

**Student Address**
- Ms. Melissa Mullen

**UNH Manchester Program Awards**
- ASL/English Interpreting: Professor Laurie Shaffer
- Analytics and Data Science: Dr. Jeremiah Johnson
- Biology:
  - Dr. Suzanne Cooke
  - Dr. Kyle MacLea
- Biology Program Book Award: Dr. Patricia Halpin
- Biotechnology:
  - Dr. Samantha Reynolds
  - Dr. Kyle MacLea
- Biotechnology Program Book Award: Dr. Kelly Kilcrease
- Business: Dr. Barbara Jago
- Communication Arts: Dr. Michael Jonas
- Computing Technology: Dr. Susanne Paterson
- English Studies/Program Book Award: Professor Kristen Woytonik
- History:
  - Dr. John Cerullo
  - Dr. James Ramsay
- Homeland Security/Program Book Awards: Dr. Susanne Paterson
- Humanities: Dr. Nicholas Mian
- Neuropsychology: Dr. Nicholas Mian
- Psychology: Dr. Stephen Pimpare
- Public Service & Nonprofit Leadership/Politics and Society: Dr. Susan Walsh
- Writing Across the Curriculum/Meritorious/Emerging Writer Awards: Ms. Kimberly Donovan
- Master Tutor Awards: Associate Professor Carolyn Gamtso
- Recognition of Phi Beta Kappa Inductees: Mr. Mike Decelle
- Recognition of Alpha Epsilon Delta, TriBeta, National Society for Leadership and Success, and SALUTE Inductees: Mr. Mike Decelle

**Closing Remarks**
- Mr. Mike Decelle
Presidential Scholars

Nemanja Boskovic
Timothy Bowler
Ethan Brown
Sean DeSautelle
Katelyn Dubreuil
Corey Erickson
Ethan Faxon
Kaitlyn Haefner
Coltrane Houlis
Mary Hughes
Elizabeth Langfeld
Spencer Mears
Melissa Mullen
Jared O'Connell
Eric O'Neil
Susan Orr
Jamila Peguero
Sydney Rollins
Carlos Sandoval
Anna Scott
Kaitlyn Squibb
Robert Tinsley
Rafaela Tonne
Brianna Turner
Jillian Wienzek
Allyson Young

University Scholars

Fatima Aljic
Madison Allen
Calista Barbowski
Catherine Bennett
Simren Bhogal
Katelyn Blue
Jordyn Boyce
Jeremy Clague
Nicolas Cullerot
Noor-Aldean Deek
Julia Denaro
Samantha Diggins
Patrick Dodge
Peter Dodge
Eugenia Fedorov
Doreen Ford
Alida Gervais
Alexandra Gomez
Seana Gosselin
Riley Grant
Kevin Harrington
Jason Harris
Nela Klonowski
Nisha Krishna
Isabelle Laizure
Nathan Landry
Alina Le
Alexus Lefort
Michael Lentz
Hannah Lindh
Derrick Loughlin
Maria Luccisano
Dana Matson
Maeve McDonnell
Cassandra Meaney
Anton Millington
Davis Moore
Jacob Moreau
Nicholas Noboa
Yukti Patel
Josue Perez
Victoria Rolon
Elizabeth Scrima
Kristina Shalygina
Rebecca Skahan
Zachary Smalley
Nicholas Spinosa
Kaitlyn Todd
Lauren Tuite
Andrew Wasylyna

Honors Convocation Criteria

Presidential Scholars
To be recognized as a Presidential Scholar, students must have a 3.85-4.0 cumulative UNH GPA and have at least 100 or more credits by February 15, 2021, of which 64 are graded UNH credits. These 64 credits may include credits for which the student is currently enrolled during the spring semester.

University Scholars
To be recognized as a University Scholar, Bachelor candidates must have a 3.5-3.84 cumulative UNH GPA and must have at least 100 or more credits by February 15, 2021, of which at least 64 are graded UNH credits. These 64 credits may include credits for which the student is currently enrolled during the spring semester.

OR

Associate degree candidates must have a 3.5-4.0 cumulative UNH GPA and must have earned 32 or more credits by February 15, 2021, including at least 12 graded UNH credits. These 32 credits may include credits for which the student is currently enrolled during the spring semester.

Program Awards

ASL/English Interpreting
Mary Hughes

Analytics and Data Science
Melissa Mullen

Biology
Sydney Rollins

Biotechnology
Simren Bhogal

Computer Information Systems
Spencer Mears

Communication Arts
Jocelyn Couture

Computer Science
Charles Dolan

English Studies
Elizabeth Langfeld

History
Rylee Szok

Homeland Security
Jared O'Connell

Humanities
Brian Lundgren

Neuropsychology
Sean DeSautelle

Psychology
Robert Tinsley

Public Service and Nonprofit Leadership
Augustino Fisher

Politics and Society
Rebecca Skahan

Psychology
Allyson Young

Politics and Society
Ethan Manning
Writing Across the Curriculum Awards
Rachel Avery
Kaitlin Carroll
Doreen Ford
Sydney Rollins

Meritorious Award for First Year Students
Maxfield Paro

Emerging Writer Award
Rhea Hernandez

Emerging Writer Award Honorable Mention
Janessa Pilotte

Biology Program Book Award
Isabella Darling

Biotechnology Program Book Award
Fardeen Siddiqui

Homeland Security Book Awards
Jonathan Kane
Zachary Smalley

Robert Michael Pugh Book Award
Marco Corniel

Master Tutor Awards
Raymond Miller
Jared O’Connell
Kaylee Wilbur

Honor Society Inductees
Phi Beta Kappa
Nemanja Boskovic
Victoria Rolon
Vishnu Soni
Rafaela Tonne

Alpha Epsilon Delta
Simren Bhogal
Gabrielle L’Heureux

TriBeta
Sejla Aganbegovic
Alaina Amlaw
Rachel Anastasi
Haley Belanger
Samantha Chase
Sarah Cole
Dylan Conroy
Max Dodge
Erica Dube
Ethan Edwards
Noemi Gutierrez
Ian Harris
Jonathan Hoying
Kari-Lynn Knight
Gabrielle L’Heureux
Trevor Leadbeater
Kiluba Ngila
Jules Panaguiton
Aya Raouf
Rafaela Tonne
Irima Vrevic
Joli White
Melissa Woodard

National Society for Leadership and Success
Calista Barbowski
Jordyn Boyce
Samantha Chase
Jessica Cote
Angela Fuentes
Alyssa Hall
Jonathan Kane
Katelyn Leger
MaKayla Lembo
Rylie McCoy
Erica Ogert
Jacob Parrino
Aya Raouf
Brittany Reidy
Sarah Reny
Rebecca Skahan
Steven Stanton
Kaitlyn Todd
Mariah Wilson

SALUTE
Colin Dyer
Michael Evers
Ethan Faxon
Augustino Fisher
Eric Frederic
Ethan Huntley
Jonathan Kane
Trevor Leadbeater
Carlos Nunez Jr.
Robert Tinsley
UNH Manchester Honors Convocation Awards

The ASL/English Interpreting Program Award is presented to an ASL/English Interpreting student with at least junior standing and a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 for outstanding achievement within the major and service to UNH Manchester, the Deaf community, and/or the interpreting profession.

The Analytics and Data Science Program Award is presented to a qualifying junior or senior majoring in Analytics and Data Science who is an active participant in the learning process and consistently demonstrates overall academic excellence.

The Biology Program Award is presented to a Biology student to recognize academic achievement and the potential for making significant contributions in Biology.

The Biotechnology Program Award is presented to a Biotechnology student to recognize overall academic achievement with a focus on practical skills, and the potential for making significant contributions to one of the newest and fastest-growing scientific fields. Usually awarded to seniors.

The Michael S. Brennan Award for Character, Perseverance, and Academic Excellence in Business is granted to UNH Manchester Business students who achieve outstanding performance and demonstrate academic excellence while exhibiting the highest levels of character, perseverance, and dedication in striving toward their goals. This award is presented in the memory and honor of Michael S. Brennan, whose spirit, determination, and attitude serve to inspire us all.

The Communication Arts Award is presented to a senior Communication Arts major who has achieved a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.5 and who intends to pursue graduate study.

The Karla Vogel Award for Excellence in Computing is presented to the student who has demonstrated consistent achievement in a computing major and overall academic excellence.

The English Studies Program Award is presented by the English Studies faculty to the student who has demonstrated consistent excellence in his or her English Studies course work at the College.

The Excellence in History Award is presented to the graduating senior with the highest record of academic achievement within the UNH Manchester History program.

The Excellence in Homeland Security Program Award is given to qualified juniors or seniors majoring in Homeland Security who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, professionalism, integrity and character and who demonstrate potential to make significant contributions to homeland or national security.

The Terry Savage Award for Excellence in Humanities is presented to the senior Humanities major who has demonstrated the highest level of overall academic excellence.

The Neuropsychology Award is given to a junior or senior who demonstrates passion for the neurosciences through either creative or scholarly accomplishments and has achieved outstanding grades within the major.

The Gary S. Goldstein Psychology Award is named in honor of Dr. Gary Goldstein (Professor of Psychology, 1987-2015) and is presented to a senior who exhibits active engagement in the classroom, exemplary performance in Psychology courses, as well as superior overall academic achievement.

Public Service & Nonprofit Leadership/Politics & Society Award is presented to a student who has demonstrated excellence in his/her work in the Politics and Society/Public Service and Nonprofit Leadership major.

The Excellence in Teaching Award recognizes a residential faculty member who is an inspiring, challenging and effective teacher whose concern and respect for students is evident both in and out of the classroom.

The Master Tutor Award is presented to those peer tutors who, as members of the Association of the Tutoring Profession, have completed thirty hours of general and discipline-specific tutor training and seventy-five hours of tutoring. These peer tutors demonstrate a high level of expertise in the areas in which they tutor and as facilitators of learning.

The Writing Across the Curriculum Award recognizes excellence in undergraduate writing across a range of academic disciplines.

The Emerging Writer Award recognizes the achievement of a student enrolled in English 400, 401 or 401A whose writing has shown impressive development over the course of the semester.

The Meritorious Writing Award recognizes outstanding writing produced by students in their first year of study.

The Biology Program Book Award is presented to a Biology major for outstanding achievements in Biology.

The Biotechnology Program Book Award is presented to a Biotechnology major for outstanding achievements in Biotechnology.

The Homeland Security Program Book Award is presented to a securities studies student who has demonstrated excellence in academic achievement in the Homeland Security major, and potential as security studies scholar.

The Robert Michael Pugh Book Award is named in honor of Dr. R. Michael Pugh and presented to an English Studies student for outstanding achievement in the major.

Phi Beta Kappa has celebrated excellence in the liberal arts and sciences and championed freedom of thought since its founding in 1776. As America's most prestigious academic honor society, it is uniquely equipped to advocate for the value and benefits of liberal arts and sciences education.

Alpha Epsilon Delta is the National Health Professional Honor Society dedicated to the encouragement and recognition of excellence in pre-professional health scholarship, including medicine, dentistry, veterinary, and others. AED offers opportunities for intellectual and professional development, provides a forum for students with common interests, and extends a program of service to benefit the college/university community.

TriBeta is an honor society founded in 1922 for students, particularly undergraduates, dedicated to improving the understanding and appreciation of biological study and extending boundaries of human knowledge through scientific research.

The National Society of Leadership and Success is the nation's largest leadership honor society. Students are selected by their college for membership based on either academic standing or leadership potential. Candidacy is a nationally recognized achievement of honorable distinction.

SALUTE Veterans National Honor Society is the first national academic honor society established for student veterans, and active military, in 2-year and 4-year institutions of higher education. Another unique element of SALUTE includes a 4-tier system, which is designed to encourage undergraduate student veterans to strive to improve their GPAs and advance to higher tier levels (and scholarship brackets) in the honor society during their academic careers.