

ACADEMIC HONORS  
OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY  
CLASS OF 2021

**GRADUATION WITH DISTINCTION**

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Maria Gabriela Alonso  
Hannah Marie Bush  
Hannah Jo Carpenter  
Yi Dong  
Paige Elizabeth Hunter  
Ivy Nicole Kirst  
Margaret Elaine Kriebel  
Mary Katherine McElroy  
Anne Gibson Miner  
Emma Rose Neeper

Darcy Lyn Picker  
Fiona Marie Roddy  
Erin Marie Ross  
Paige Terese Ross  
Christina Marie Semeraro  
Ashley Noel Smiley  
Hannah Grace Treadway  
Austin Robert Wood  
Claire Elise Yetzer

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Rachel Marie Albers  
Erin Lucille Bitzer  
Madison Paige Bridger  
Grace Aileen Burich  
William Rudolf Butler  
Abigail Eileen Carlson  
Lucas Ryan Cooper  
Carl Christian DeScott  
Mai Thanh Dinh  
Aimee Lynn Duckworth  
Hannah Elizabeth Edelblute  
Taylor Christine Frasure  
Emma Marie Hall  
Makena Lauren Hayes  
Alexis Kyelea Henson

Tristan Mathias Hoadley  
Holly Rose Keating  
Logan Elek Kovach  
Sharayne Latysha Zhakyiah Manuela  
Anna Elizabeth McReynolds  
Apoorva Deepak Puranik  
Kayla Nadine Rondinelli  
Gabrielle Ann Roszman  
Richard James Sammartino  
Emily Rose Sheridan  
Caitlyn Marie Smith  
Ethan John Springer  
Makayla Lynn Trebella  
Makaila Lynne Hallie Weir

## CUM LAUDE

Adediwura Oluwafeyikemi Adegbite	Jeffrey Austin Hudson
Joseph Christian Antal	Alexander Patrick Illitch
Cole Davis Antle	Molly Osborne Jewett
Lidet Kibebew Belay	Mary Katherine Kerins
Molly Miriam Berrey	Elizabeth Louise Kish
Karli Marie Bigler	Megan Elizabeth Long
Maureen Catalina Brennan-Reyes	Sierra Jade Mainard
Gabrielle Leigh Campana	Jose Armendariz Matute
William A. H. Christy	Taylor Ryann Moore
Grayson Renee Clevenger	Maggie Estelle Myers
Elise Olivia Crawford	Amelia Claire Naille
Natalie Susanne Foust	Amelia Grace Richardson
Jack Andrew Funderburg	Isabelle Marie Rodriguez
Maia Alexandra Garbett	Maxim Robert Salerno
Kaitlyn Jane Gilson	Anna Frances Scholle
Daniel James Gowans	Scott Charles Sidner
Noah Ajax Green	Ethan Wells Soderna
Aakash Anup Gupta	Jasmine Michele Spitzer
Syed Abdullah Ali Hassan	My Dieu Ta
Madeline G.A. Henson	Molly Mechelle Taylor
Alexandra Louise Holm	Maia Ellen Virgei
Audrey Ruth Homlar	

## **GRADUATION WITH DEPARTMENTAL HONORS**

Emma Marie Hall

Margaret Elaine Kriebel

Apoorva Deepak Puranik

Richard James Sammartino

Hannah Grace Treadway

## **GRADUATION WITH DEPARTMENTAL DISTINCTION**

Kayla Nadine Rondinelli

## **GLOBAL SCHOLARS**

Abigail Eileen Carlson

Alana Guzman

Paige Elizabeth Hunter

Ivy Nicole Kirst

## **MEEK LEADERSHIP AWARDS**

Collette Jacqueline Cosgrove

Alana Guzman

Jose Armendariz Matute

## **SLOCUM PRIZES**

Classics: Elizabeth Louise Kish

Literature: Emma Rose Neeper

Music: Austin Robert Wood

Science: Yi Dong

# **PHI BETA KAPPA**

Rachel Marie Albers

Maria Gabriela Alonso

Erin Lucille Bitzer

Hannah Marie Bush

William Rudolf Butler

Abigail Eileen Carlson

Lucas Ryan Cooper

Yi Dong

Aimee Lynn Duckworth

Hannah Elizabeth Edelblute

Jaimie Elizabeth Fuller

Emma Marie Hall

Makena Lauren Hayes

Holly Rose Keating

Ivy Nicole Kirst

Margaret Elaine Kriebel

Anne Gibson Miner

Amelia Claire Naille

Emma Rose Neeper

Joshua R. Pletcher

Apoorva Deepak Puranik

Erin Marie Ross

Paige Terese Ross

Nadav Shaibe

Scott Charles Sidner

Ashley Noel Smiley

Ethan John Springer

Hannah Grace Treadway

Makaila Lynn Hallie Weir

Claire Elise Yetzer

## 2021 DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS AND PRIZES

### BOTANY/MICROBIOLOGY

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**Jane Decker/Allan Ichida Award for Highest Senior GPA** — William A. H. Christy

**Jane Decker/Allan Ichida Award for Highest Junior GPA** — Makaila Lynn Hallie Weir

**Burns Shirling Award** — Makaila Lynn Hallie Weir, Catherine Caroline Babbs

### CHEMISTRY

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**Ralph E. Hall Fellowship** — Aimee Lynn Duckworth, Emma Marie Hall, Ethan John Springer, Kaytlin Nicole Ward

**Julian Higley Prize** — Emma Marie Hall, Kaytlin Nicole Ward

**Kim A. Lance Prize** — Ethan John Springer, Kaytlin Nicole War

**Charles H. And Magdalen Schafer Scholarship** — Aimee Lynn Duckworth, Emma Marie Hall, Ethan John Springer, Kaytlin Nicole Ward

**Ralph V. Sinnett Prize** — Kaytlin Nicole Ward

**Chemistry Faculty Prize** — Aimee Lynn Duckworth, Emma Marie Hall, Ethan John Springer

**Special Chemistry Prize** — Kaytlin Nicole Ward

**Senior Members of Chi Gamma Nu** — Aimee Lynn Duckworth, Emma Marie Hall, Ari Elissia Marie McPheters, Ethan John Springer, Kaytlin Nicole Ward

### CLASSICS

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**Dorothy Herbst Prize** — Elizabeth Louise Kish

### COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

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**CMLT Dorothy M. Herbst Travel Prize** — Margaret Elaine Kriebel

**Comparative Literature Writing Award Senior Prize** — Margaret Elaine Kriebel

## ECONOMICS

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**Accounting Fellows** — Lidet Kibebew Belay, Hannah Marie Bush, Hannah Elizabeth Edelblute, Jack Andrew Funderburg, Molly Osborne Jewett, Nana Ama Tenewaa Osei, James Thomas Welch

**Alice Empkey Batchelor Graduate School Scholarship** — Lucas Ryan Cooper

**Allen D. and Ruth C. Theis Scholarship** — Cole Davis Antle, Niharika Bangur, Madison Paige Bridger, Hannah Marie Bush, William Rudolf Butler, Lucas Ryan Cooper, Mai Thanh Dinh, Hannah Elizabeth Edelblute, Caroline Oneida Elliott, Lucas Matthew Evanovich, Jack Andrew Funderburg, Maia Alexandra Garbett, Cody Allen Gault, Alana Guzman, Syed Abdullah Ali Hassan, Alex Patrick Illitch, Aliyah Sharee Owens, Haider Jahangir Jahangir Piracha, Maxim Robert Salerno

**Blaine E. Grimes Summer Grant Program** — Lidet Kibebew Belay, Alana Guzman, Nana Ama Tenewaa Osei, My Dieu Ta

**Christian Kamm Scholarship Award** — William Rudolf Butler, Hannah Elizabeth Edelblute, Kaitlyn Jane Gilson

**Corns Business and Entrepreneurial Scholars Program** — Zain Amir, Lucas Ryan Cooper, Aakash Anup Gupta, Kaitlyn Jane Gilson

**Economics Management Fellows Program** — Lucas Ryan Cooper, Jack Andrew Funderburg, Maia Alexandra Garbett, Kaitlyn Jane Gilson, Alana Guzman, James Turner Johnson

**Joann Harvey Accounting Award** — Hannah Marie Bush

**Latham Entrepreneurial Scholars** — Taryn Nancy Barnes, Austin Lewis Plaster, Jasmine Michele Spitzer

**Norman Taylor Scholarship Award** — Madison Paige Bridger, Hannah Marie Bush, William Rudolf Butler, Lucas Ryan Cooper, Caroline Oneida Elliott, Lucas Matthew Evanovich, Jack Andrew Funderburg, Alana Guzman, Haider Jahangir Jahangir Piracha, Maxim Robert Salerno

## OUTSTANDING MAJORS

**Accounting** — Hannah Marie Bush, Mai Thanh Dinh, Hannah Elizabeth Edelblute

**Business Administration** — Madison Paige Bridger, Hannah Marie Bush, William Rudolf Butler

**Management Economics** — Cole Davis Antle

**Senior Members of Omicron Delta Epsilon** — Lucas Matthew Evanovich, Syed Abdullah Ali Hassan

**Senior Members of Sigma Beta Delta** — Cole Davis Antle, William Rudolf Butler, Hannah Elizabeth Edelblute, Jack Andrew Funderburg, Scott Charles Sidner

**Woltemade Prize** — Maia Alexandra Garbett

## EDUCATION

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**Promising Educator Award** — Taylor Christine Frasure, Paige Elizabeth Hunter

**Senior Members of Kappa Delta Pi** — Erica Bailey Buchanan, Hannah Jo Carpenter, Hannah Whiting Face, Taylor Christine Frasure, Paige Elizabeth Hunter, Anna Elizabeth McReynolds, Maxwell Kalvin Mordarski, Luke Alfred Newton, Emma L. Tuel, Maia Ellen Virgei, Avery Kathryn Wood

## ENGLISH

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**Ernest F. Amy Prize** — Emma Rose Neeper

**The Laureate Award for Expository Writing** — Jacob Albert Van Atta

**The Emma Sparks Memorial Prize** — Hannah Marie Bush

**The Edward J. Wheeler Poetry Prize** — Ash M. Moen

**The Robert Flanagan Prize** — Ash M. Moen

**The T'ai Ananda Merion '96 Memorial Scholarship Award** — Molly Miriam Berrey

**Class of 1870 Memorial Prizes** — Molly Miriam Berrey, Alexander deC. Emerson, Natalie Susanne Foust, Catherine Elizabeth Giacalone

**Marie Drennan Prize** — Catherine Elizabeth Giacalone

**Frederick L. Hunt Prize** — Stephanie Victoria DeSoto

**Libuse Reed Award** — Emma Rose Neeper

**Sagan Writing Award for best Senior Application for Graduate School or Extramural Funding**

**First Place:** Paige Terese Ross

**Second Place:** Karli Marie Bigler

**Honorable Mention:** Kayla Nadine Rondinelli, Alexandria Laura Crawford

**Senior Members of Sigma Tau Delta** — Rachel Marie Albers, Molly Miriam Berrey, Stephanie Victoria DeSoto, Ivy Nicole Kirst, Emma Rose Neeper, Erin Marie Ross

## ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

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**The Richard B. Alexander Award for Excellence in Environmental Science** — Makena Lauren Hayes, Holly Rose Keating

## GEOLOGY/GEOGRAPHY

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**Robert E. Shanklin Distinguished Scholar Award in Geography** — Carl Christian DeScott

**Robert E. Shanklin Distinguished Scholar Award in Geology** — Mary Katherine Kerins

## HEALTH AND HUMAN KINETICS

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**Health and Human Kinetics Majors of the Year Award** — Emily Rose Sheridan, Darcy Lyn Picker

**Harriet Stewart Health and Human Kinetics Award** — Jeffrey Austin Hudson

**Shade/Knop Award** — Erin Lucille Bitzer, Valarie Diane Helenberger, Kor'Darius La'Near Melton, Amelia Grace Richardson, Xavier Dean Sarver, Caitlyn Marie Smith, Makayla Lynn Trebella

## HISTORY

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**Hastings Eells Prize** — Emma Rose Neeper

**Anna Rusoff Memorial History Award** — Grace Burich

**Senior Members of Phi Alpha Theta** — Catherine Caroline Babbs, Grace Aileen Burich, Abigail Eileen Carlson, Grayson Renee Clevenger, Alexis Kyelea Henson, Logan Neil Kamphaus, Sierra Jade Mainard, Anna Elizabeth McReynolds, Haley Elizabeth Mees, Emma Rose Neeper, Luke Alfred Newton, James Thomas Welch

## INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

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**Corinne Lyman Award for Academic Excellence** — Ivy Nicole Kirst

## JOURNALISM & COMMUNICATION

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**William R. Diem Award to the Outstanding Journalism/Communication Graduate** — Sharayne Latysha Zhakyiah Manuela, Claire Elise Yetzer

**Gilson Wright Award** — Claire Elise Yetzer

**Academic Achievement Award** — Claire Elise Yetzer

**Helen Beal Woodward Award for Outstanding Writing in Journalism** — Christina Marie Semeraro

## MATHEMATICS & COMPUTER SCIENCE

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**David H. Staley Outstanding Junior Prize** — My Dieu Ta, Madeline G.A. Henson

**Robert L. Wilson Prize in Computer Science** — Rachel Albers, Madeline G.A. Henson

**Florence Leas Prize** — Rachel Marie Albers, Mai Thanh Dinh, Madeline G.A. Henson, Natalie Anne Huebschman, Abby Nicole Jarvis, Akul Rishi, Grant Matthew Smith, Ethan John Springer, My Dieu Ta

**Freshman Florence Leas Prize** — Rachel Marie Albers, Mai Thanh Dinh, Natalie Anne Huebschman, Abby Nicole Jarvis, Akul Rishi, My Dieu Ta, Ethan John Springer

**Sophomore Florence Leas Prize** — Rachel Marie Albers, Madeline G.A. Henson, Akul Rishi, Grant Matthew Smith, My Dieu Ta

**Senior Members of Pi Mu Epsilon** — Hannah Elizabeth Edelblute, My Dieu Ta, Emma Lea Tuel

## MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

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**Academic Achievement in Spanish** — Maria Gabriela Alonso, Hannah Grace Treadway

**Advanced Proficiency in Italian** — Catherine Elizabeth Giacalone, TaTyana Ciara Payne

**Advanced Proficiency in Japanese** — Derian George Mesaros

**Davies Intermediate Prize in German** — Katherine Taylor Smigle

**Davies Advanced Prize in German** — Logan Elek Kovach

**Leadership Award in French** — Maia Alexandra Garbett

**Leadership Award in Japanese** — Nicole Marie Clay, Derian George Mesaros

**Phi Sigma Iota Award for Highest Academic Achievement in French** — Maia Alexandra Garbett

**Phi Sigma Iota Award for Highest Academic Achievement in German** — Logan Elek Kovach

**Phi Sigma Iota Award for Highest Academic Achievement in Spanish** — Paige Elizabeth Hunter, Ivy Nicole Kirst, Christina Marie Semeraro

**Senior Members of Phi Sigma Iota** — Caitlyn Marie Colwell, Katherine Grace Falko, Maia Alexandra Garbett, Juliann Renee Hanning, Paige Elizabeth Hunter, Ivy Nicole Kirst, Logan Elek Kovach, Tayler Ryann Moore, Christina Marie Semeraro

## MUSIC

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**Robert A. Griffith Music Achievement Award** — Jasmine Michele Spitzer

**Pi Kappa Lambda** — Noah Ajax Green, Hannah Grace Treadway

**Senior Performance Award** — Kathryn Ann Lawson

**Senior Members of Theta Alpha Phi** — Joseph Christian Antal, Taylor Christine Frasure, Catherine Elizabeth Giacalone, Noah Ajax Green, Miko L. Harper, Alondra Nicole Key, Logan Elek Kovach, Anna Elizabeth McReynolds, Jerrod Travis Ward, Margaret Rose Welsh

## PHILOSOPHY

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**The Daniel E. Anderson Award for Philosophical Research** — Storm Thompson Schalit, Baylee Danielle Small

**The Loyd D. Easton Award for Excellence in Philosophy** — Dexter James Poremski Allen

**Senior Members of Phi Sigma Tau** — Storm Thompson Schalit

## PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY

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**The Phillip C. Stanger Prize in Astronomy** — Akul Rishi

**Senior Members of Sigma Pi Sigma** — Dexter James Poremski Allen, Eric Hayden Brandt, Akul Rishi

## POLITICS AND GOVERNMENT

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**Earl E. Warner Award for Academic Excellence** — Alana Guzman

**James J. Hearn Award for Practical Political or Government Service** — Alana Guzman

**IS-Lyman Award for Academic Excellence** — Ivy Nicole Kirst

**Senior Members of Pi Sigma Alpha** — Reia Ashikawa, Tyler Whitfield Vogel Bell, Maureen Catalina Brennan-Reyes, Mai Thanh Dinh, Alana Guzman, Alexis Kyelea Henson, Audrey Ruth Homlar, Logan Elek Kovach, Maria Jeannine Lagrotteria, Jose Armendariz Matute, Anne Gibson Miner, Austin Lewis Plaster, Paige Terese Ross

## PRE-HEALTH /PRE-MEDICAL/PRE-DENTAL STUDIES

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**Jordan E. Rolland Dickson Scholarship** — Aimee Lynn Duckworth

**The R. Eugene Glendening Scholarship** — Katherine Michelle Konopka

**Clarice Satchell Scholarship** — Adediwura Oluwafeyikemi Adegbite

## PSYCHOLOGY

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**Harry P. Bahrack Professional Development Award** — Maria Gabriela Alonso

**The Richard A. Lerman Award** — William Rudolf Butler

**Outstanding Scholastic Achievement Award** — Maria Gabriela Alonso

**Psi Chi Citizenship Award** — Danielle Monique Moten DeBose

**Senior Members of Psi Chi** — Payton Haven Alpine, Karli Bigler, Erin Bitzer, Hannah Jo Carpenter, Arianna Elissia Marie McPheters, Maia Ellen Virgei

## RELIGION

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**Ralph W. Sockman Award for Excellence in the Study of Religion** — Mary Katherine Kerins

**Senior Members of Theta Alpha Kappa** — Richard James Sammartino

## SOCIOLOGY/ANTHROPOLOGY

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**Charlotte Wolf Academic Achievement Award** — Makaila Lynne Hallie Weir

**Emily Fitton Writing Award** — Abigail Eileen Carlson

**Janet King Award** — Courtney Joy Owens

**Senior Members of Alpha Kappa Delta** — Makaila Lynne Hallie Weir

## THEATRE & DANCE

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**Richard H. Williamson Wesleyan Player Award (outstanding senior)** — Miko L. Harper, Margaret Rose Welsh

**Senior Members of Theta Alpha Phi** — Joseph Christian Antal, Taylor Christine Frasure, Catherine Elizabeth Giacalone, Noah Ajax Green, Miko L. Harper, Alondra Nicole Key, Logan Elek Kovach, Anna Elizabeth McReynolds, Jerrod Travis Ward, Margaret Rose Welsh

## ZOOLOGY

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**Ralph A. Bowdle Award** — Holly Rose Keating

**Esther Carpenter Award** — Holly Rose Keating

**Edwin G. Conklin Award** — Yi Dong

**George B. Harris Award** — Yi Dong

**Stull Award** — Joshua R. Pletcher

**Edward L. Rice Summer Scholarship** — Elizavyeta Vladimirovna Dmitrieva

**Phi Eta Sigma** — Rachel Marie Albers, Maria Gabriela Alonso, Ryder Morgan Bader Beckman, Hannah Marie Bush, William Rudolf Butler, Taylor Christian Frasure, Alondra Nicole Key, Fiona Marie Roddy, Isabelle Marie Rodriguez, Christina Marie Semeraro, Molly Mechelle Taylor

