

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THIRD

VASSAR



Commencement

CONFERRING OF DEGREES



Sunday

May 28, 2017

The Outdoor Theater

at Ten o'Clock

ORDER OF EXERCISES

PROCESSIONAL

Rhosymedre *R. Vaughan Williams*
Pomp and Circumstance March No 1 and 4 *Sir Edward Elgar*
Academic Processional, based on a theme by J. Brahms

Hudson Brass Quintet
Paul Bellino, *Tenor Trombone*
Gary Boyd, *Trumpet*
Marjie Callaghan, *French Horn*
Jim Osborn, *Trumpet*
Brad Ward, *Bass Trombone*

WELCOMING REMARKS

Jonathan L. Chenette, *Interim President*

PRESENTATION OF STUDENT GIFT

Lucy Olivia Balcezak, Karen Ann Crook

REMARKS

Stephen R. Rock, *Acting Dean of the Faculty*
Aleena Zara Malik, *Senior Class President*
William A. Plapinger '74, *Chair, Board of Trustees*
Missie Rennie Taylor '68, *President, AAVC*

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Deborah Bial
President and Founder of the Posse Foundation

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Jonathan L. Chenette, *Interim President*
Graduates presented by Christopher Roellke, *Dean of the College*

RECESSIONAL

Triumphal March from *Aida* *G. Verdi*
"Marcia" from *Three Pieces* *Ludwig Maurer*
Ode to Joy *Beethoven*
Hudson Brass Quintet

Diane Barkstrom and Joan Caruso, *Sign Language Interpreters*
Weiqun Gu and Jiangzhong Mei, *Mandarin Language Interpreters*
Anna Maria Messina Riso and Vivian Goa, *Spanish Language Interpreters*

Please silence your cell phones and pagers before the start of the ceremony.

A reception in honor of the Class of 2017 and their families will be held on the Chapel lawn immediately following commencement.

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

Bachelor of Arts

Michael Ryan Adams
Sandjida Aktar
Muhannad Eyad Al Nisheiwat
Christopher Rogerio Alba
Alexandra Kelsey Alcántara
Clara Alivisatos
Samuel Michael Allen
Audrey Louise Aller
Asia Joshel Alman
Evan Augustine Altiero
Matthew Ross Altman
Gabrielle Sara Anspach
Hannah Robertson Arndt
Sophie Kayla Arnold
Ayse Esin Asan
Ariel Lauren Atlas
Samantha Lynn Augenbraun

Rantayzaisa Mashea B-Lindor
Jane Eloise Bader
Jonas Camil Bahceci
Lucy Olivia Balczak
David M. Ballon
Charles Jamieson Bando-Hess
Ethan David Baratz
Laura Daniela Barreto
Hayley Elizabeth Beach
Shayna Elise Becker
Sophie Katharine Bedecarré Ernst
Kerri- Anne Nicole Antoinette Bell
Emily Sara Bender
Elizabeth Mulvey Bennett
Karli Nicole Bentley
Trent Robert Berg
Emily Lewis Bernstein
Isabelle Etienne Bertram
G. J. Bettman
Zheng Bian
Christopher William Billups
Noah Jarreth Bloch
Anna Clare Blum
Laila Corey Blumenthal-Rothchild
Noah David Boden
Kryzel Oreta Bonifacio
Brittany Ann Botticelli
Meghan Elizabeth Boyer
Rosa Josephine Patrick Marie Bozhkov
Emma Jane Bracken
Fernando Henrique Braga
John Frederick Brekelbaum III
Mikayla Clare Brennan-Burke

AnnaRose Jerusa Broome
Haley Kathleen Brown
Richard Gover Bryenton
Abigail Lynn Buhman
Nicholas Agnihotri Burka
Catherine Marie Burns
Julie Michelle Byrnes

Charles Manuel Callejo III
Carl Sean Callender
Claudia Cleopatra Carcamo
Cecil Tilghman Carey
Kimberly Kate Carlson
Christopher Jeffrey Cerutti
Jessica Cervantes
Anthony Chan
Angella SoHee Chang
Katie Jung Ok Chang
William Julius Chaudoin
Jie Chen
Yin Chen
Zhanwen Chen
Zichen Chen
Rory Vivian Chipman
Isabella Sofia Chirico
Jana Chiu
Harry Yonghyun Cho
Evan James Chyriwski
Anthony Cimorelli III
Toscane Clarey
Ian Samuel Clark
Mackenzie Addison Cole
Caroline Robertson Coleman
Saskia Lynn DeRook Comess
Aine Boyer Connolly
Jack Kai Conway
Logan Christopher Cooley
Sagine Corrielus
Kevin Ming Cosgrove
Jessica Caitlin Couch
Brandon Jesse Crecco
Flora Grace Crichton-Stuart
Samantha Tucker Cronin
Karen Ann Crook
Wade Charles Crouch
Molly Mariah Crowell
Julia H. W. Cunningham
Lauren Frances Cutler

Najwa Dakir
Manav G. Dalmiya
Jackson Ryan Dammann
Bryce Ronald Daniel
Emma Robin Davis
Eduardo De La Torre
Elizabeth Suzanne Dean
Joseph Qualls DeGrand
Luana Deng
Emily Frances Dennis
Brandon Richard DeStasio
Jacob Bhaskar Devasagayam
Schuyler William DeVos
Sophie R. M. Dewil
Ian Alexander Di Fiore
Jessica Ruth Dickinson
Christopher Kalimos Dietz
Monica A. Difort
Lu Ding
Julian Gabriel Dishart
Jenna Frances Doherty
Melanie Rose Donnelly
Luke Hasted Dowker
Kaitryn Ashleigh Doyle
Alexandra Jane Dunham
Shauna Durant
Penelope Heilbrun Duus

Daria Egorova
Hannah Ehnle
Gabriel Elizalde Jr.
Elise Lindsay Elliott
Lucy Grace Ellis
Maya Sarah Enriquez
Adam Brian Erkis
Andrew George Eslich
Gracen Sammi Evall
Samuel Stephen Every
Ryan Christopher Eykholt

James Nicholas Falino
Siqi Fan
Nicholas Evan Fancher
Ryan Nilsson Farley
Matthew Noah Fastman
Yujie Feng
Elise Katherine Ferguson
Alec Stephen Ferretti
Elizabeth Nixon Fetterolf
Birte Fichter
Matthew Dodick Fields

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Bachelor of Arts (continued)

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| Lucas Michael Fifer | Nadav Sahar Hendel | Melvina Samhar Khalfani |
| Ioannis Filippidis | † Jake Harrison Henin | Mushfiq Jahan Khan |
| Max Jacob Fine | Marielle Julia Heydt | Harrison Griffin Kim |
| Dylan Maxfield Finley | Brittany Alexandria Hill | Iwalani Marie Kim |
| Kayla Danielle Fisher | Faith Dorrance Hill | Jay Paul Kim |
| Gabriel Killion Fishman | Abigail Jean Hiller | Michael Jiseok Kim |
| Conor Patrick Flanagan | Camilla Elisabeth Hippee | Peter Kyumin Kim |
| Lauren Amanda Fleming | Kathryn Kennedy Hodge | Brandon Eric Klein |
| Megan Elizabeth Forster | Samantha Song Hoher | Sabrina Tovah Kleman |
| Caitlin I. R. Foster | Ryan Glennis Holguín | Carmen Isabella Kloer |
| Alexandra Nicole Frankland | Eric Sun Hong | Samantha R. Kohl |
| Nathalie Anne Freeman | Hansol Hong | Keith Kohlmann |
| Dylan Lee Fruh | Hoon Hong | Abigail Mira Kohn |
| Jordann Lea Funk | Patrick Hood | Nicholas Lane Kohomban |
| | Amanda Leah Horowitz | Matthew H. Kolbert |
| Walter Gabriel | Sarah Mitsue Horowitz | Natalie Gabrielle Kopke |
| Jeh Rustam Gagrak | Samuel Patrick Houston-Read | Michael Raymond Koscielniak |
| Ria Prakash Gandhi | Megan Heather Howell | Sophie Margaret Kosmacher |
| Jingyi Gao | Nicole Jessica Howell | Atticus Miller Kramer |
| Paul Adrian Garo | Diana Eastman Howland | Emily Aryn Krebs |
| Elizabeth Alexandra Garrity | Zicheng Huang | Alexandra Krutel |
| Samuel Avery Gartenstein | Ryan Taylor Huegel | Zoe Louise Kurtz |
| Gian Michael Gelormino | Vanessa Wai Yan Hung | |
| Roman Rusak Gernat | Steven Huynh | Anna Claudia La Roche |
| Mariah Thadis Ghant | Alexander Hwang | Francis Patrick Lai |
| Alexandra Faith Gittens | Mirat ul Ain Hyder | Calvin Richard Lamothe |
| † Lydia Jane Gold | Michelle Soyeon Hyun | Jenna Morgan Lang |
| Noah Malino Goldberg | | Katherine Connor Langdon |
| Shira Jo Goldmann | Sheharyar Imran | Alexander Linus Lange |
| Benjamin Akio Goldstein | Imrul Islam | Calais Magritte Larson |
| Matthew Stephen Goldstein | | Juan Felipe Laso Ponce |
| Jordan Charles Gotbaum | Rachel Alexandra Jacobe | Richard Le |
| Clancy Cowles Green | Molly Margot Emily James | Brianna Elizabeth Lear |
| Ivy Louise Green | Stephen Mark Jennings | Morgan Augustus LeBlanc |
| Nathaniel Lee Green | Xiaoxue Jiang | James Myung-In Lee |
| Benjamin Asher Greenspan | Yizhou Jiang | Kevin Yong Ho Lee |
| Grace E. Gregory | Dian Jiao | Zoe Luh Morse Lemelson |
| Elizabeth Claire Griesmer | Bernardo Jimenez | Ziyan Leng |
| Jonah Stewart Grob | Thomas Jin | Emily Ann Lerman |
| McClain Marie Groff | Abigail Rose Johnson | Lony Leung |
| Daniel H. S. Gu | Nicholas Karl Steele Johnson | Rachel Alizah Sarah Level |
| Rishi Ramesh Guné | Aaron Reginald Jones | Drew Robert Leventhal |
| Harrison Mazer Gurny | Alexa Juanita Jordan | Landry Everett Levine |
| Samantha Pauline Guss | Andrea Sierra Joseph | Christian Jeremiah Lewis |
| Emma Katherine Guy | Paige Elizabeth Jozefczyk | Andy Jiacheng Li |
| | Stephanie Eryn Jump | Tianyi Li |
| Emily S. C. Hallewell | | Wesley Li |
| Christopher Nicholas Halm | Strider Marsh Kachelein | Sheng Hui Lim |
| Tyler Husted Hamashima | Rachel Eva Kahtan | Christine Lin |
| Kelsey Reid Hamm | Kentaro Kaneki | Shiqi Lin |
| Samuel Matthias Hammer | Alexandra Nicole Karas | Nicholas Marki Litsky |
| Phoebe Elizabeth Hankins | Keon Karimabady | Mackenzie Pamela Cristina Little |
| Shania Lily Harford | Lucas James Kautz | Asprey Jing-Yao Liu |
| Aaron Kortlander Harvey | Gabriel Alexander Kawugule | Wendy Liu |
| Maya Taaliba Hawkins | Miranda Catherine Kay | Christian Tyler Lizana |
| Austin Connor Haymes | Bradley Harrison Kendall | Ryan Christopher Logue |
| Elizabeth Rose Hedreen | Jay Van de Water Kepes | Nikki Rose Lohr |

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| Avery Harrington Lord | Athena Jone Morgan | Gabrielle Anna Pollack |
| Jane Diana Lu | Mallory Marie Morgan | William Wagner Porges |
| Elijah Martin Lucey | Liam P. Moriarty | Katherine Irene Poulos |
| Alexander Gabriel Luckmann | Michelle Amit Morochnik | Haleigh Christine Prather |
| Elianne Marie Lugo Peñalba | Orion Asa Morrison-Worrell | Prisilla Preciado |
| Thomas Lum | Ethan Dudley Moses | Eric Joseph Prezioso |
| Rosalind Kathleen Lytle-Rich | Alessandra Patricia Muccio | Olivia Norfleet Price |
| Amanda Ma | Caitlin Emma Thandi Munchick | Xhesiana Prifti |
| Ezekiel Seth Maben | Michaela Clare Murphy | Emily Louise Prince |
| Laura Marietta MacDonald | Albert Simon Muzquiz | Elizabeth Anne Prosser |
| Steven Henry Mages | Saparja Nag | Kylie Prutisto-Chang |
| Raymond Victor Bernardino | Erika Nagasaki | Rachel Elizabeth Puchkoff |
| Magsaysay Jr. | Dushyant Naresh | Carlin John Purcell |
| Jamie Bellomy Maher | Apoorva Natarajan | Ian Terence Quinn |
| Aleena Zara Malik | Derek Matthew Nelson | Kelsey Griffin Quinn |
| Galen Thomas March | Jessalyn Alexandra Nelson | Ellen Elizabeth Quist |
| Rachel Anne Marklyn | Elijah Frank Ness | Gabriel Alexander Ramos |
| Clayton Gregory Sterne Marr | Kevin Prescott Newhall | Benjamin Barnard Ramsey |
| Mariah Rachele Marshall | Sieu Nguyen | Jaylin Zachery Remensperger |
| Monica Rose Martinez | JD Nichols | Leonard Franz Anselm Rentrup |
| Isabel Jane Fuller Marvel | Naa Kuorkor Agyemang Nikoi | Phoebe Simone Lovett Reuben |
| Mikayla Ann Mason | Adam Moris Ninyo | Angelique Yvette Maruchi Ribieras |
| Shawn Master | Sarah Carr Noschese | Stefan Antoine Richards |
| Jordyn Petra Matthews | Emmanuel Odei Ntow | Joshua James Ridley |
| Lianne Claire Ni May | Alayna Marie O'Bryan | Noah Pyne Rissman |
| Rhyston Kyler Mays | Jessica Virginia Oden | Sally Josephine Keller Roberts |
| Neena Louise McBaer | † Lars Robert Dybdahl Odland | Jessica Rene Roden |
| Matthew Collins McCardwell | Nicole Synclaire Oglesby | Sarah Christine Rodeo |
| Jared Timothy McCrystal | Oluwadamilola Tinuola Oke | Heidy Stephanie Rodriguez |
| Brennan William McDaniel | Andrea Orejarena Di Marco | Samara Lily Roman-Holba |
| Meghan Laurie McDonell | Ezra Jeremy Orlinsky | Abigail Romero |
| Mary-Margaret McElduff | Ehimwenma Cynthia Osagie | Jessica Leigh Rood |
| Gemma Butler McElroy | Carson Grant Packer | Caitlin Rebecca Rose |
| † Caroline Joanna Elizabeth McFadden | Leah Pan | Emma Angen Rose |
| Hanna Reed McGuire | Julia Marie Pantalone | Henry Carl Rosen |
| M. Montgomery McKee | Zerlina Rose Panush | Samuel Bennett Rosenthal |
| Lauren Michelle McNamara | Jacob Daniel Pardee | Kataura L. Ross |
| Madeline Zoe McNichols | Rose Gabriel Paxton | Kimberly Elizabeth Ross |
| Dakota Lee McPherson | Aaron James Payne | Alex Carner Round |
| Macall Conroy McQueen | James Napier Pedersen | Celeste Eva Royo |
| Zachary French Meadows | Colin Scott Peros | Adriano Andrade Rozental |
| Lee Anne Meeks | Sarah Elizabeth Perry | Dan Fu Ruan |
| Josean Melendez | Soraya Martha Perry | Quinn Franklin Rutledge |
| Madison Grace Noon Mellon | † Douglas Edward Peters | Muhammad Hassan Saad |
| Vincent Claudio Mencotti | Stephen Rea Peters-Collaer | Daniel Babalola Sachadonig |
| Joseph Seiter Metcalf | Soshyan Ioli Petroulas | David Robert Sampoli |
| Elene Metreveli | David Pham | Lukas Kirkegaard Sarnow |
| Olivia Ann Michalak | Robin Elaine Piatt Stegman | Royal Ymani Scales |
| Bailey Nicole Miller | Logan Emmett Fletcher Pitts | Carly Michell Scher |
| Gabrielle Elizabeth Miller | Emily Paige Platt | Gordon Christian Schmidt |
| Gabrielle Elaine Mintz | Lily Doolittle Platt | Julia Anne Schmidt |
| Priya Ellen Misra | Anna Leah Plotkin | Jacob Eli Schrader |
| Shira Mizel | Joanna Elizabeth Plotkin | Kayla Ann Schwab |
| Nora Mary Rose Molasky | | |
| Maximilien Gerard Moran | | |

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| Stephanie Rebecca Seto | Marisa Rose Tomaino | Laura Alexa Wood |
| Denis Patrick Shanagher | † Brittany Ann Tompkins | Lydia Nancy Wood |
| Ana Elena Sheehan | Ana Isabel Inés Mercedes Torruella | Michael Kennedy Woods |
| Iyana Ariel Shelby | Suárez | Lauren Elizabeth Workman |
| Min-Kyu Shin | Laura Lee Townsend | Hao Wu |
| Seungyup Shin | Julia Marvel Trudell | Sophy Wu |
| Hannah Zins Shlaferman | Alexandra Judith Trunnell | Hildegard Armstead Wulf |
| Tianna Knia L'nae Daney Shockley | William Tseng | Athena Eve Wyatt |
| Emily Marie Thuy Short | Matthew Francis Tytla | |
| Aditi Malik Shrikhande | | Benjamin Xiong |
| Lauren Toyomi Shumate | Rainah Grace Umlauf | |
| † Westin May Morahan Sibley | Miguel Esteban Uribe Pinto | Ci-Yu Yan |
| † Zayne May Morahan Sibley | Cristian Scott Uriostegui | Christina Yang |
| Christine Cecilia Silveira | | Linette Zosie Yang Shujie Yang |
| Rachel Alexandria Barnes Simmons | Elizabeth Eaton Vamos | Joshua Lin Quinn Yannix |
| Paarul Sinha | Samantha Grace van Leer | Ben Lev Yassky |
| Ian Ross Snyder | Natasha Parvati Nicholine Vargo | Andrew Chi Keong Yim |
| Elizabeth Vaughn Snyderman | Christa Nicole Ventresca | Hye Ri Yoo |
| Shereen Bella Sodder | Cristian Ventura | Daniel Arthur Nigel Nathaniel |
| Jake William Solomon | Maria Paulina Vigoreaux Tress | Young |
| Timothy Andrew Sorenson | Miranda Chiharu Villesvik | Paul Tappan Younger |
| Jacob Samuel Sottak | Christian Andrés Vivar Ramón | John Jun Yao Yu |
| Sydney Marie Spadinger | Justin Tanhoa Vo | Kelly Yu |
| Simaya Alverta Speed | Windy Vo | |
| Yasani Dia'Mar Spencer | Lorenzo Thomas von Zerneck | Michael Patrick Zajakowski Uhll |
| Russel Rudolph Spiro | Storm Lavoise Vonhundley | Krista Padegs Zamurs |
| Darby Amanda Stahl | | Nicky Zarchen |
| Leela Irene Stalzer | Anthony Joseph Walker | Matthew Efreem Zavislan |
| Rebecca Morgan Starble | Zoe Alexandra Walker | Olivia Crow Zerphy |
| Hailey Renee Steichen | David Selwyn Wallach | Bufan Zhang |
| Caleb Stein | Kyle Sachdev Walters | Cheng Zhang |
| Lucas Eugene Steinberg | Andrew Wang | Lilian Zhao |
| Sophia Colin Steinert-Evoy | Jun Wang | Yunjia Zhou |
| Elsa Marie Stoff | Xinyang Wang | Tianqi Zhu |
| Jason Benjamin Storch | Yifan Wang | Katherine Stella Zwingli |
| Morgan Garrett Strunsky | Ziwen Wang | |
| Chloe Noel Sucato | Adam Saul Warner | |
| Patrick Andrew Susman | Maria Griffin Waslick | |
| Erik Alexander Szwed | Leah Taryn Weingast | |
| Joseph Victor Szymanski III | Joanna Marie Weiss | |
| | Olivia Weiss | |
| Kali Malaika Tambreé | Aliah Candioly Werth | |
| Gileann Ongsip Tan | Natalie Jacquelyn Griffin Westgor | |
| Xiangyi Tan | John Henry Whelan | |
| Rachel Melissa Tankersley | Julia Grace Wiczorek | |
| Stéphanie Megan Tapolsky | † Laura Anne Wigginton | |
| Devon Julius Tart | Tyler James Russell Wilch | |
| Addison Ballou Tate | Zachary Jacob Wilks | |
| Brianna Gray Taylor | Andrew Bernard Sunday Willett | |
| Seamus William Taylor | Elisielle Lara Wilson | |
| Catrina Camille Tellez | Rebecca Sanders Wilson | |
| Brooke Renae Thomas | Robert Winkelmann Jr. | |
| Daniel Robert Thompson | Elijah Phillippe-Calixte Winston | |
| William Hunter Thompson | Julia Caroline Wohlforth | |
| Fan Tianyi | † Chealin Won | |
| Arianna Mae Tidwell | Jyen Yiee Wong | |

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HONORS AT GRADUATION

Departmental Honors

AFRICANA STUDIES

Asia Joshel Alman
Melvina Samhar Khalfani
Orion Asa Morrison-Worrell

AMERICAN STUDIES

* Grace E. Gregory
* Samantha Pauline Guss
Joseph Seiter Metcalf
* Rose Gabriel Paxton
* Zayne May Morahan Sibley
Sophia Colin Steinert-Evoy
* Zachary Jacob Wilks

ANTHROPOLOGY

* Samantha Lynn Augenbraun
Elizabeth Mulvey Bennett
Kryzel Oreta Bonifacio
* Samantha Tucker Cronin
Lauren Frances Cutler
* Penelope Heilbrun Dues
Drew Robert Leventhal
Paarul Sinha
Krista Padegs Zamurs

ART HISTORY

* G. J. Bettman
* Yin Chen
* Birte Fichter
McClain Marie Groff
* Alexander Gabriel Luckmann
Gemma Butler McElroy
* Athena Eve Wyatt

ART STUDIO

* Dylan Lee Fruh
Emily S C Hallewell
* Caroline Joanna Elizabeth
McFadden

ASIAN STUDIES

Ria Prakash Gandhi

ASTRONOMY

Caitlin Rebecca Rose
Jake William Solomon
* Brittany Ann Tompkins
Alexandra Judith Trunnell

BIOCHEMISTRY

* Claudia Cleopatra Carcamo
Saparja Nag
* Matthew Francis Tytla

BIOLOGY

Sandjida Aktar
Nicholas Evan Fancher
* Stephen Rea Peters-Collaer
* Kylie Prutisto-Chang
Dan Fu Ruan
* Rebecca Morgan Starble
Kyle Sachdev Walters

CHEMISTRY

Jana Chiu
Ryan Nilsson Farley
* Carmen Isabella Kloer
* Tianyi Li
Nora Mary Rose Molasky
* Ian Ross Snyder
Natasha Parvati Nicholine Vargo
Bufan Zhang

CHINESE

Christine Lin
Wendy Liu
Julia Grace Wiczorek
Katherine Stella Zwingli

COGNITIVE SCIENCE

* Benjamin Akio Goldstein
* Faith Dorrance Hill
Mackenzie Pamela Cristina Little
* Jessica Rene Roden
* Andrew Bernard Sunday Willett

COMPUTER SCIENCE

* Alexandra Kelsey Alcántara
Harry Yonghyun Cho
Kevin Ming Cosgrove
* Brandon Jesse Crecco
* Elise Lindsay Elliott
* Nathaniel Lee Green
* Kathryn Kennedy Hodge
Atticus Miller Kramer

* Morgan Augustus LeBlanc
Elijah Martin Lucey
* Macall Conroy McQueen
* Carlin John Purcell
* Hao Wu
Ci-Yu Yan
Kelly Yu
* Lilian Zhao

DRAMA

* Landry Everett Levine
* Sheng Hui Lim
Jessica Leigh Rood
* Xiangyi Tan
* Olivia Crow Zerphy

EARTH SCIENCE

Sarah Elizabeth Perry

ECONOMICS

* Jie Chen
* Yujie Feng
* Clancy Cowles Green
* Dian Jiao
* Nicholas Karl Steele Johnson
* Leah Pan
* Aaron James Payne
Muhammad Hassan Saad
* Seungyup Shin
* Darby Amanda Stahl
* Marisa Rose Tomaino
* Xinyang Wang
Shujie Yang

EDUCATIONAL STUDIES

Shania Lily Harford
* Aleena Zara Malik
* Neena Louise McBaer
* Caitlin Emma Thandi Munchick

ENGLISH

Jack Kai Conway
* Elizabeth Suzanne Dean
Hoon Hong
Abigail Rose Johnson
* Jenna Morgan Lang
James Napier Pedersen

* Also General Honors

Departmental Honors (continued)

Kayla Ann Schwab
Windy Vo
* Jade Wong-Baxter
Ben Lev Yassky

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Jessica Cervantes
* Lydia Jane Gold
* Rachel Anne Marklyn

FILM

* Anna Clare Blum
Bryce Ronald Daniel
Harrison Mazer Gurny
Henry Carl Rosen

FRENCH & FRANCOPHONE
STUDIES

* Elizabeth Claire Griesmer
* Nicole Jessica Howell
Alexandra Krutel
* Shiqi Lin
* Stephen Rea Peters-Collaer

GEOGRAPHY

Sophie Katharine Bedecarré Ernst
Jonah Stewart Grob
Sierra Dane Tobin

GREEK AND ROMAN
STUDIES

Rosalind Kathleen Lytle-Rich
Gordon Christian Schmidt
Miranda Chiharu Villevik

HISPANIC STUDIES

* Zheng Bian

HISTORY

Caroline Robertson Coleman
* Max Jacob Fine
* Nikki Rose Lohr
JD Nichols
* Lars Robert Dybdahl Odland
* Alex Carner Round
* Laura Alexa Wood

INDEPENDENT PROGRAM

Clayton Gregory Sterne Marr

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Andrew George Eslich
* Sheharyar Imran
Emily Ann Lerman
Priya Ellen Misra
Kimberly Elizabeth Ross
* Stephanie Rebecca Seto
* Rainah Grace Umlauf
Chealin Won

ITALIAN

John Anthony Lopes
Joanna Elizabeth Plotkin
Prisilla Preciado
David Robert Sampoli
Chloe Noel Sucato

JAPANESE

Anthony Chan
Athena Jone Morgan
Colin Scott Peros

JEWISH STUDIES

Matthew H. Kolbert
Henry Carl Rosen

MATHEMATICS AND
STATISTICS

* Zheng Bian
* Shiqi Fan
* Nathaniel Lee Green
Zicheng Huang
* Yizhou Jiang
* Carlin John Purcell
* Timothy Andrew Sorenson
* Darby Amanda Stahl
* John Henry Whelan

MEDIA STUDIES

* Alexandra Jane Dunham
* Ryan Christopher Eykholt
Alexandra Nicole Frankland
* Nicole Jessica Howell
* Jamie Bellomy Maher
* Sieu Nguyen

MUSIC

* Melanie Rose Donnelly
* Yizhou Jiang
Jaylin Zachery Remensperger

NEUROSCIENCE AND
BEHAVIOR

* Siqi Fan
* Vanessa Wai Yan Hung
* Jared Timothy McCrystal
Gabrielle Elaine Mintz
Michelle Amit Morochnik
Kevin Prescott Newhall
Gabrielle Anna Pollack
Leah Taryn Weingast

PHILOSOPHY

* Sophie Margaret Kosmacher
* Landry Everett Levine
Asprey Jing-Yao Liu
* Michaela Clare Murphy
* Yifan Wang

PHYSICS

* Aine Boyer Connolly
* Samuel Avery Gartenstein
* Stephanie Eryn Jump
Francis Patrick Lai
* Erik Alexander Szwed
Adam Saul Warner

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Lucy Olivia Balcezak
Emily Sara Bender
* Emma Robin Davis
* Christopher Kalimos Dietz
Gracen Sammi Evall
* Elizabeth Claire Griesmer
Abigail Mira Kohn
* Katherine Connor Langdon
* Shiqi Lin
Bailey Nicole Miller
Daniel Babalola Sachadonig
Jacob Eli Schrader
* Seungyup Shin
* Timothy Andrew Sorenson
Arianna Mae Tidwell
Tyler James Russell Wilch

PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE

Ayse Esin Asan
Abigail Jean Hiller
Alexandra Nicole Karas
* Calvin Richard Lamothe
Rachel Alizah Sarah Level
* Meghan Laurie McDonnell
* Julia Anne Schmidt
* Samantha Grace van Leer

Departmental Honors (continued)

RELIGION

Jordann Lea Funk

RUSSIAN STUDIES

Abigail Lynne Buhrman
Michelle Amit Morochnik
Jason Benjamin Storch
Fan Tianyi

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & SOCIETY

* Saskia Lynn DeRook Comess
* Kylie Prutisto-Chang
* Shereen Bella Sodder
* Joshua Lin Quinn Yannix

SOCIOLOGY

Melvina Samhar Khalfani
* Raymond Victor Bernardino Magsaysay Jr.
* Caitlin Emma Thandi Munchick
* Douglas Edward Peters
* David Pham
Kali Malaika Tambreé

URBAN STUDIES

Richard Le
Joseph More
Elijah Frank Ness
Gabriel Alexander Ramos
Samuel Bennett Rosenthal
* Celeste Eva Royo
* Elizabeth Eaton Vamos
Michael Patrick Zajakowski Uhl

WOMEN'S STUDIES

Kimberly Kate Carlson
Rachel Alexandra Jacobe

HONORS AT GRADUATION

General Honors 2017

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| Alexandra Kelsey Alcántara | Yizhou Jiang | Julia Anne Schmidt |
| Samantha Lynn Augenbraun | Dian Jiao | Stephanie Rebecca Seto |
| Ethan David Baratz | Nicholas Karl Steele Johnson | Seungyup Shin |
| G. J. Bettman | Andrea Sierra Joseph | Zayne May Morahan Sibley |
| Zheng Bian | Stephanie Eryn Jump | Ian Ross Snyder |
| Anna Clare Blum | Strider Marsh Kachelein | Shereen Bella Sodder |
| Brittany Ann Botticelli | Rachel Eva Kahtan | Timothy Andrew Sorenson |
| Claudia Cleopatra Carcamo | Iwalani Marie Kim | Darby Amanda Stahl |
| Cecil Tilghman Carey | Carmen Isabella Kloer | Rebecca Morgan Starble |
| Jie Chen | Sophie Margaret Kosmacher | Erik Alexander Szwed |
| Yin Chen | Calvin Richard Lamothe | Xiangyi Tan |
| Evan James Chyriwski | Jenna Morgan Lang | Brianna Gray Taylor |
| Saskia Lynn DeRook Comess | Katherine Connor Langdon | Marisa Rose Tomaino |
| Aine Boyer Connolly | Morgan Augustus LeBlanc | Brittany Ann Tompkins |
| Brandon Jesse Crecco | Landry Everett Levine | Laura Lee Townsend |
| Samantha Tucker Cronin | Tianyi Li | Matthew Francis Tytla |
| Emma Robin Davis | Sheng Hui Lim | Rainah Grace Umlauf |
| Elizabeth Suzanne Dean | Shiqi Lin | Elizabeth Eaton Vamos |
| Christopher Kalimos Dietz | Nikki Rose Lohr | Samantha Grace van Leer |
| Melanie Rose Donnelly | Alexander Gabriel Luckmann | Jun Wang |
| Alexandra Jane Dunham | Raymond Victor Bernardino | Xinyang Wang |
| Penelope Heilbrun Duus | Magsaysay Jr. | Yifan Wang |
| Elise Lindsay Elliott | Jamie Bellomy Maher | Ziwen Wang |
| Ryan Christopher Eykholt | Aleena Zara Malik | John Henry Whelan |
| Siqi Fan | Rachel Anne Marklyn | Zachary Jacob Wilks |
| Yujie Feng | Neena Louise McBaer | Andrew Bernard Sunday Willett |
| Elizabeth Nixon Fetterolf | Jared Timothy McCrystal | Rebecca Sanders Wilson |
| Birte Fichter | Meghan Laurie McDonell | Jade Wong-Baxter |
| Max Jacob Fine | Caroline Joanna Elizabeth McFadden | Laura Alexa Wood |
| Conor Patrick Flanagan | Macall Conroy McQueen | Hao Wu |
| Caitlin I. R. Foster | Caitlin Emma Thandi Munchick | Athena Eve Wyatt |
| Dylan Lee Fruh | Michaela Clare Murphy | Joshua Lin Quinn Yannix |
| Samuel Avery Gartenstein | Sieu Nguyen | John Jun Yao Yu |
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| Noah Malino Goldberg | Leah Pan | Olivia Crow Zerphy |
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| Nathaniel Lee Green | Aaron James Payne | |
| Grace E. Gregory | Douglas Edward Peters | |
| Elizabeth Claire Griesmer | Stephen Rea Peters-Collaer | |
| Samantha Pauline Guss | David Pham | |
| Samuel Matthias Hammer | Kylie Prutisto-Chang | |
| Faith Dorrance Hill | Carlin John Purcell | |
| Kathryn Kennedy Hodge | Angelique Yvette Maruchi Ribieras | |
| Nicole Jessica Howell | Jessica Rene Roden | |
| Vanessa Wai Yan Hung | Alex Carner Round | |
| Sheharyar Imran | Celeste Eva Royo | |

PRIZES

2017

THE ACADEMY OF AMERICAN POETS PRIZE

for excellence in writing poetry

Michaela Wilson Coplen '18

ATHLETIC AND FITNESS ALUMNAE/I OF

VASSAR COLLEGE

Shayna Elise Becker '17

Anthony Joseph Walker '17

THE GABRIELLE SNYDER BECK PRIZE

for summer study in France

Marvin Corleto '19

THE FRANK BERGON BOOK PRIZE

for an outstanding senior whose multidisciplinary work best exemplifies the creative accomplishments of Frank Bergon

Grace E. Gregory '17

THE CATHERINE LUCRETIA BLAKELEY PRIZE

for study in international economic relations

David Robert Sampoli '17

Seungyup Shin '17

Laura Alexa Wood '17

THE WENDY RAE BRESLAU AWARD

for outstanding contribution of a sophomore to the community

Cody Dwayne Harmon '19

Talia Phyllis Shapiro '19

Charlotte Varcoe-Wolfson '19

THE BEATRICE DAW BROWN POETRY PRIZE

for excellence in the writing of poetry

Miguel Esteban Uribe Pinto '17

THE VIRGINIA SWINBURNE BROWNELL

PRIZES

for excellent work in biology

Jay Paul Kim '17

for excellent work in political economy

Yujie Feng '17

Leah Pan '17

for excellent work in history

Nikki Rose Lohr '17

THE SARA CATLIN PRIZE

for outstanding contribution of a senior to the religious life of the community

Abigail Rose Johnson '17

THE JEFFREY CHANCE MEMORIAL PRIZE

for excellence in both coursework and research in chemistry

Carmen Isabella Kloer '17

THE CHEMICAL RUBBER COMPANY AWARD

for outstanding freshman in general chemistry

Niharika Shukla '20

THE MAN-SHENG CHEN SCHOLARLY AWARD

for excellence in Chinese studies

Wendy Liu '17

Jade Wong-Baxter '17

YIN-LIEN C. CHIN PRIZE

for the best thesis/senior project in the Department of Chinese and Japanese

Christine Lin '17

Colin Scott Peros '17

THE JUNE JACKSON CHRISTMAS PRIZE

for academic excellence in Africana Studies

Melvina Samhar Khalfani '17

THE E. ELIZABETH DANA MEMORIAL PRIZE

for an individual reading project in English

Jade Wong-Baxter '17

THE JEAN SLATER EDSON PRIZE

for music composition

Joseph H. Gusmano '18

Alexander Il Joung Koo '18

Michael Light Oosterhout '18

Daniel Arthur Nigel Nathaniel Young '17

THE LUCY KELLOGG ENGLISH PRIZE

for excellence in physics and astronomy

Aine Boyer Connolly '17

Brittany Ann Tompkins '17

FRANCES D. FERGUSSON COACHES' AWARD

awarded to a senior student-athlete whose contribution to Vassar Athletics extends beyond pure performance.

Brandon Richard DeStasio '17

Emily Louise Prince '17

THE FRANCES DALY FERGUSSON PRIZE

awarded to a senior in the art history department for his or her outstanding accomplishments

Birte Fichter '17

Athena Eve Wyatt '17

THE HARVEY FLAD/ANNE CONSTANTINOPLÉ

AMERICAN STUDIES BOOK PRIZE

for outstanding academic contribution

Zayne May Morahan Sibley '17

THE HELEN KATE FURNESS PRIZE

for an essay on a Shakespearean or an Elizabethan subject

Jenna Morgan Lang '17

THE JAMIE NISSE GREENBERG

PHILOSOPHY PRIZE

for demonstrating academic excellence, a passion for philosophy, and the promise of graduate work in philosophy.

Landry Everett Levine '17

THE MARJORIE LYNN GLUCK THESIS PRIZE

awarded for an outstanding thesis on issues related to women, public policy and politics at the global, national or local level.

Asia Joshel Alman '17

Rachel Alizah Sarah Level '17

THE CLYDE AND SALLY GRIFFEN PRIZE

for excellence in American history

Alex Carner Round '17

Prizes (continued)

THE IDA FRANK GUTTMAN PRIZE

for the best thesis in political science

Christopher Kalimos Dietz '17

Katherine Connor Langdon '17

THE HINERFELD FAMILY ANNUAL AWARD

for outstanding work in sociology

Raymond Victor Bernardino Magsaysay Jr. '17

THE JANET HOLDEEN-ADAMS PRIZE

for excellence in computer science

Nathaniel Lee Green '17

Macall Conroy McQueen '17

THE J. HOWARD HOWSON PRIZE

for excellence in the study of religion

Toscane Clarey '17

Jordann Lea Funk '17

THE ANN E. IMBRIE PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN
FICTION WRITING

to a senior for excellence in the writing of fiction

Ben Lev Yassky '17

THE JOHN IYOYA PRIZE

for creative skills in teaching

Chealin Won '17

THE AGNES REYNOLDS JACKSON PRIZE

for excellence in written work in economics

Yujie Feng '17

Clancy Cowles Green '17

Nicholas Karl Steele Johnson '17

Steven Henry Mages '17

Aaron James Payne '17

THE M. GLEN JOHNSON PRIZE

for excellence in international studies

Sheharyar Imran '17

Priya Ellen Misra '17

THE JESSE KALIN BOOK PRIZE

for excellence in Japanese language and culture studies

Anthony Chan '17

THE MOLLY THACHER KAZAN MEMORIAL PRIZE

for distinction in the theater arts

Mackenzie Addison Cole '17

Mariah Thadis Ghant '17

Xiangyi Tan '17

Rebecca Sanders Wilson '17

Olivia Crow Zerphy '17

THE LESLIE A. KOEMPEL PRIZE

for an outstanding thesis in sociology involving fieldwork or a special project.

Caitlin Emma Thandi Munchick '17

Douglas Edward Peters '17

THE JULIA FLITNER LAMB PRIZES

to junior majors and senior majors for excellence in political science

Samuel Brian Beckenhauer '18

Emma Robin Davis '17

Shiqi Lin '17

Yasmine Britt Seghir '18

THE OLIVE M. LAMMERT PRIZES

for excellence in biochemistry

Claudia Cleopatra Carcamo '17

for excellence in chemistry

Tianyi Li '17

THE OLIVE M. LAMMERT BOOK PRIZES

for excellence in protein chemistry

Haleigh Christine Prather '17

for excellence in biochemistry

Jennie YuChang Lytel-Sternberg '18

Tyler Hansen Wen '18

for excellence in general chemistry

Brenna Douthitt '20

Rachel S. Kim '20

Katherine Ni '20

Bibi Alika Sulaman '19

for excellence in organic chemistry

Joseph Michael Beaty '19

Hayley Turner Schultz '19

Elizabeth White Whidden '19

for excellence in physical chemistry

Austin Ojiambo Atsango '18

THE LARKIN PRIZE IN LATIN

for outstanding work in the study of Latin

Miranda Chiharu Villesvik '17

THE LARKIN PRIZE IN ANCIENT SOCIETIES

for outstanding work in the study of Greek and Roman civilizations

Rosalind Kathleen Lytle-Rich '17

THE ABBY LEACH MEMORIAL PRIZE

for summer excavation in the Mediterranean

Walter Gray Alexander '19

Anna Roberts '20

Jordann Maeve Schnarr '18

THE HELEN D. LOCKWOOD PRIZE

for excellence in the study of American studies

Rose Gabriel Paxton '17

Lily Doolittle Platt '17

THE DAVID C. MAGID MEMORIAL PRIZE IN
CINEMATOGRAPHY

for the most outstanding combination of achievement in the field of cinematography and academic excellence in film study

Bryce Ronald Daniel '17

Joseph Qualls DeGrand '17

Emma Angen Rose '17

Prizes (continued)

THE ANTONIO MARQUEZ PRIZE

for poetry and fiction

Zheng Bian '17

Caleb Jordan Featherstone '18

Kalihanna Fuentes '18

Gerardo J. Lamadrid '20

Gabrielle Elaine Mintz '17

for non-fiction in Spanish

Jessica Lynne Bezek '19

Lianne Claire Ni May '17

Rachel Diana Plotkin '17

for video and other media

Imani Nicole Russell '18

THE HELEN MIRINGOFF PRIZE

for a substantial contribution to an agency of the community through field work

Samantha Lynn Augenbraun '17

Andrew George Eslich '17

Roger David Vera '18

THE NEUROSCIENCE AND BEHAVIOR
SENIOR PRIZE

for excellence in both academic and independent work in the major

Hayley Elizabeth Beach '17

Rachel Alizah Sarah Level '17

Samantha Grace van Leer '17

THE PHILIP NOCHLIN PRIZE

for a senior thesis in philosophy of highest distinction

Michaela Clare Murphy '17

THE ASHISH PATIL '08 MEMORIAL PRIZE

for excellence in interdisciplinary studies

Jordann Lea Funk '17

Daniel Babalola Sachadonig '17

Seungyup Shin '17

H. DANIEL PECK PRIZE FUND IN
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

for an Environmental Studies senior thesis

Jessica Cervantes '17

THE DOROTHY PERSH PRIZE

for summer study in France

Mia Moraru '19

THE ETHEL HICKOX POLLARD MEMORIAL
PHYSICS AWARD

to the junior physics major with the highest average

Nicholas John Mennona '18

THE PHI BETA KAPPA PRIZE

to the member of Phi Beta Kappa who has the most distinguished academic records

Saskia Lynn DeRook Comess '17

THE MARSHALL PREGNALL MEMORIAL PRIZE
IN THE BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

for scholarly work in the biological science during the senior year

Harrison Wedel '18

THE GERTRUDE BUTTENWIESER PRINS PRIZE

for study in the history of art

Gemma Butler McElroy '17

THE LEO M. PRINCE PRIZE

for study in the history of art

Derek Matthew Nelson '17

THE RENO PRIZE IN GREEK

for outstanding work in the study of Greek

Gordon Christian Schmidt '17

THE BETTY RICHEY OUTSTANDING
PERFORMER OF THE YEAR

in recognition of outstanding athletics performance in a Vassar Athletics Department sponsored sport over the course of a current, single academic year.

Matthew Knigge '18

Anne Charis MacMillan '19

THE KATE ROBERTS PRIZE

for excellence in biology

Stephen Rea Peters-Collaer '17

Kylie Prutisto-Chang '17

Rebecca Morgan Starble '17

THE DASHIELLE ROBERTSON '17

MEMORIAL PRIZE

for excellence in Women's Studies

Kimberly Kate Carlson '17

Brennan William McDaniel '17

THE PAUL ROBESON PRIZE

for best senior thesis in Africana studies

Asia Joshel Alman '17

Orion Asa Morrison-Worrell '17

THE JULIE STOMNE ROSWAL PRIZE

for excellence in German

Strider Marsh Kachelein '17

THE LEWIS RUBENSTEIN AWARD

for a senior major in Studio Art demonstrating general outstanding achievement in this discipline

Dylan Lee Fruh '17

THE DOUGLAS SAUNDERS MEMORIAL
THESIS PRIZE

for an excellent senior thesis

Julia Caroline Wohlforth '17

THE MARIAN GRAY SECUNDRY PRIZE

for meritorious achievement in field research and community service

Asia Joshel Alman '17

THE ELLEN CHURCHILL SEMPLE PRIZE

for excellence in the study of geography

Sophie Katharine Bedecarre Ernst '17

Jonah Stewart Grob '17

Prizes (continued)

THE SHERMAN BOOK PRIZE
for distinguished accomplishment in Jewish studies

Henry Carl Rosen '17

THE RICHARD FEITLER '86 AND MARGERY
KAMIN FEITLER '86 SISTER ARTS PRIZE

*for poetry based on a work of art in the collection of Vassar's Frances Lehman
Loeb Art Center*

Alexa Juanita Jordan '17

Lucy Faye Rosenthal '19

THE ERMINNIE A. SMITH MEMORIAL PRIZE
for excellence in the study of geology

Sarah Elizabeth Perry '17

THE ALICE D. SNYDER PRIZE
for excellence in English

Elizabeth Suzanne Dean '17

THE LILO STERN MEMORIAL PRIZE
for the best paper submitted for an anthropology, geography or sociology course

Kryzel Oreta Bonifacio '17

Kayla Marisol Gonzalez '19

THE DEANNE BEACH STONEHAM PRIZE
FOR POETRY

for the best original poetry

Kayla Ann Schwab '17

THE LUCIA V. TORIAN '69 PRIZE
for Music Performance Training

Gileann Ongsip Tan '17

THE MATTHEW VASSAR OUTSTANDING
CAREER AWARD

*in recognition of outstanding athletics performance in a Vassar athletics
department-sponsored sport over the course of their career at Vassar.*

Julia H W Cunningham '17

Nicholas Marki Litsky '17

THE VERNON VENABLE PRIZE
for philosophical excellence and outstanding contribution to the department

Asprey Jing-Yao Liu '17

Yifan Wang '17

THE MASHA N. VOROBIOV MEMORIAL PRIZE
for summer Russian language study

John S. Yaworsky '18

THE FRANCES WALKER PRIZE
for the greatest proficiency in the study of piano

Carlin John Purcell '17

THE SOLOMON AND BARBARA WANK PRIZE
for excellence in African, Asian or Latin American History

Hannah Robertson Arndt '17

THE LAURA ADELINA WARD PRIZES
for excellence in English or European history

Max Jacob Fine '17

for excellence in English literature

Monica Rose Martinez '17

THE WEITZEL BARBER ART TRAVEL PRIZE
*to provide a junior or senior in the art department with the opportunity to
travel in order to study original works of art*

Antigone Karvounarakis Delton '18

Matthew Collins McCardwell '17

Jane Audrey Pryzant '18

THE MARY EVELYN WELLS AND GERTRUDE
SMITH PRIZE

for excellence in mathematics

John Henry Whelan '17

THE FLORENCE DONNELL WHITE PRIZE
FOR EXCELLENCE IN FRENCH

Mendel L. Jimenez '20

Albert Simon Muzquiz '17

Guang Yang '20

THE JANE DEALY AND WOODROW WIRSIG
MEMORIAL PRIZE

in recognition of outstanding promise and accomplishment in journalism

Faith Dorrance Hill '17

Yifan Wang '17

THE FREDERIC C. WOOD, SR. BOOK PRIZE
for excellence in moral and ethical concerns

Shiqi Lin '17

Emmanuel Odei Ntow '17

THE SOPHIA H. CHEN ZEN MEMORIAL PRIZE
for the best thesis in Asian Studies

Ria Prakash Gandhi '17

for the best thesis in history

Lars Robert Dybdahl Odland '17

THE IRON BREWER AWARD

Cheris C. Congo '19

Bradley Harrison Kendall '17

VASSAR ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Jane G. McLeod '20

Matthew S. Mrlik '20

PHI BETA KAPPA

Elected Members from the Class of 2017

| | | |
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| Alexandra Kelsey Alcántara | Sheharyar Imran | Angelique Yvette Maruchi Ribieras |
| G. J. Bettman, Art History | Yizhou Jiang | Jessica Rene Roden |
| Zheng Bian | Nicholas Karl Steele Johnson | Julia Anne Schmidt |
| Jie Chen | Strider Marsh Kachelein | Logan Joseph Serp |
| Saskia Lynn DeRook Comess | Carmen Isabella Kloer | Seungyup Shin |
| Aine Boyer Connolly | Sophie Margaret Kosmacher | Shereen Bella Sodder |
| Emma Robin Davis | Calvin Richard Lamothe | Brianna Gray Taylor |
| Elizabeth Suzanne Dean | Katherine Connor Langdon | Marisa Rose Tomaino |
| Melanie Rose Donnelly | Shiqi Lin | Laura Lee Townsend |
| Alexandra Jane Dunham | Nikki Rose Lohr | Matthew Francis Tytla |
| Penelope Heilbrun Duus | Alexander Gariel Luckmann | Rainah Grace Umlauf |
| Elise Lindsay Elliott | Aleena Zara Malik | Elizabeth Eaton Vamos |
| Elizabeth Nixon Fetterolf | Rachel Anne Marklyn | Xinyang Wang |
| Birte Fichter | Meghan Laurie McDonell | Ziwen Wang |
| Conor Patrick Flanagan | Macall Conroy McQueen | John Henry Whelan |
| Dylan Lee Fruh | Sieu Nguyen | Andrew Bernard Sunday Willett |
| Lydia Jane Gold | Lars Robert Dybdahl Odland | Rebecca Sanders Wilson |
| Noah Malino Goldberg | Leah Pan | Jade Wong-Baxter |
| Elizabeth Claire Griesmer | Rose Gabriel Paxton | Athena Eve Wyatt |
| Faith Dorrance Hill | Douglas Edward Peters | Yunjia Zhou |
| Vanessa Wai Yan Hung | Stephen Rea Peters-Collaer | |

The Phi Beta Kappa Prize for 2017 is awarded to Saskia Lynn DeRook Comess.

SIGMA XI

Elected Members from the Class of 2017

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| Sandjida Aktar | Carmen Kloer | Dan Fu Ruan |
| Clara Alivisatos | Calvin Lamothe | Julia Schmidt |
| Zheng Bian | Tianyi Li | Christine Silveira |
| Kryzel Bonifacio | Nora Molasky | Rebecca Starble |
| Claudia Carcamo | Saparja Nag | Erik Szwed |
| Jana Chiu | Oluwadamilola Oke | Brittany Tompkins |
| Aine Connolly | Colin Peros | Alexandra Trunnell |
| Julian Dishart | Sarah Perry | Christa Ventresca |
| Gabriel Elizalde | Stephen Peters-Collaer | Adam Warner |
| Siqi Fan | Carlin Purcell | Kyle Walters |
| Samuel Gartenstein | Caitlin Rose | John Whelan |
| Molly James | Phoebe Reuben | Bufan Zhang |
| Alexandra Karas | Samara Roman-Holba | |

AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

Elected Members from the Class of 2017 Awarded Certification

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|-----------|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Jana Chiu | Mary-Margaret McElduff | Ian Ross Snyder |
| Tianyi Li | Nora Mary Rose Molasky | Natasha Parvati Nicholine Vargo |
| | Colin Scott Peros | |

PSI CHI

Elected Members from the Class of 2017

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| Ayse Esin Asan | Vanessa Wai Yan Hung | Kevin Prescott Newhall |
| Ethan David Baratz | Andrea Sierra Joseph | Emily Paige Platt |
| Kaitryn Ashleigh Doyle | Alexandra Nicole Karas | Angelique Yvette Maruchi Ribieras |
| Siqi Fan | Calvin Richard Lamothe | Julia Anne Schmidt |
| Caitlin I. R. Foster | Brianna Elizabeth Lear | Laura Lee Townsend |
| Benjamin Akio Goldstein | Thomas Lum | Samantha Grace van Leer |
| Faith Dorrance Hill | Jared Timothy McCrystal | Ziwen Wang |
| Abigail Jean Hiller | Meghan Laurie McDonell | Andrew Bernard Sunday Willett |

ALPHA KAPPA DELTA

Elected Members from the Class of 2017

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| Karli Nicole Bentley | Douglas Edward Peters |
| Raymond Victor Bernardino Magsaysay Jr. | David Pham |
| Caitlin Emma Thandi Munchick | Kali Malaika Tambreé |

VASSAR FELLOWSHIPS

Awarded to the Class of 2017

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| ANN CORNELISEN FUND FOR POST-GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS Andrew George Eslich Bailey Nicole Miller | MARGARET C. PEABODY FELLOWSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS Emily Ann Lerman |
| DOROTHY EVANS FELLOWSHIP Brianna Gray Taylor | MARY LANDON SAGUE Alexandra Faith Gittens |
| ELIZABETH SKINNER HUBBARD FELLOWSHIP JD Nichols | MARY PEMBERTON NOURSE FELLOWSHIP Mariah Rachelle Marshall Meghan Laurie McDonell |
| ELOISE ELLERY FELLOWSHIP Clayton Gregory Sterne Marr | THE ELSIE VAN DYCK DEWITT SCHOLARSHIP FUND Brennan William McDaniel |
| EMILIE LOUISE WELLS FELLOWSHIP Dian Jiao | VASSAR MAGUIRE FELLOWSHIP FOR STUDY ABROAD Emma Robin Davis Stefan Antoine Richards Olivia Crow Zerphy |
| HELEN DWIGHT REID FELLOWSHIP Julia Grace Wieczorek | |
| JOHN B. SCHWARTZ MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP Sarah Christine Rodeo Miranda Chiharu Villevik | |

FELLOWSHIPS, ASSISTANTSHIPS, AND AWARDS

From Outside Institutions

- Christopher Rogerio Alba
NFS, Robert Noyce Teacher Fellowship
- Asia Joshel Alman
Thomas J. Watson Fellowship
- Hayley Elizabeth Beach
Brown University
- Gilbert Bettman
University of California Riverside
- Fernando Henrique Braga
Kathryn Davis Fellowship for Peace
- Julie Michelle Byrnes
Thomas J. Watson Fellowship
- Cecil Carey
Truman Scholarship/UMass Boston through the Boston Teacher Residency Program
- Christopher Jeffrey Cerutti
Teachers College, Columbia University
- Saskia Lynn DeRook Comess
Yale University
- Aine Boyer Connolly
Cornell University
- Elizabeth Suzanne Dean
Rutgers University
- Andrew George Eslich
Davis 100 Projects for Peace
- Siqi Fan
Cornell University
- Walter Gabriel
Yale University
- Jingyi Gao
University of Virginia
- Alexandra Faith Gittens
*National Science Foundation/
Johns Hopkins University*
- Vanessa Wai Yan Hung
Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Molly Margot Emily James
University of Connecticut
- Shiqi Lin
University of California, Irvine
- Nikki Rose Lohr
Fulbright ETA, Russia
- Christian Jeremiah Lewis
CUNY Graduate Center
- Raymond Victor Bernardino Magsaysay Jr.
Truman Scholarship/ Fulbright ETA Spain
- Meghan Laurie McDonell
University of Chicago
- Mallory Marie Morgan
Rensselaer Graduate Fellowship
- Elijah Frank Ness
Chinese Government Scholarship
- JD Nichols
Candler School of Theology at Emory University
- Jessica Virginia Oden
Russell Sage
- Sarah Elizabeth Perry
Scripps Institution of Oceanography
- Gabrielle Anna Pollack
NIH, Post Baccalaureate Intramural Research Training Award
- Xhesiana Pifti
Northeastern
- Gabriel Alexander Ramos
Harvard Graduate School of Design
- Jessica Rene Roden
University of Michigan
- Sarah Christine Rodeo
Yale Divinity School
- Caitlin Rebecca Rose
Rochester Institute of Technology
- Dan Fu Ruan
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Seungyup Shin
Columbia University
- Russel Rudolph Spiro
NYU Tandon School of Engineering
- Kali Malaika Tambreé
Truman Scholarship
- Brittany Ann Topkins
NFS, Robert Noyce Teacher Fellowship
- Alexandra Judith Trunnell
NFS, Robert Noyce Teacher Fellowship
- Samantha Grace van Leer
Simmons College
- Natasha Parvati Nicholine Vargo
Brown University
- Anthony Walker
Syracuse University
- John Henry Whelan
Cornell
- Andrew Bernard Willett
Austrian Federal Ministry of Education FLTP
- Chealin Won
Fulbright ETA, Romania
- Bufan Zhang
Cornell University

2017

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS & COUNCIL MEMBERS

OFFICERS

Aleena Zara Malik, *President*
Sheharyar Imran, *Vice President*

Ben Lev Yassky, *Secretary*
Haleigh Christine Prather, *Treasurer*

SENIOR CLASS COUNCIL

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Lucy Olivia Balcezak
Karen Ann Crook
Conor Patrick Flanagan

John Anthony Lopes
Colin Scott Peros
Joseph Victor Szymanski, III
Christina Yang

SENIOR CLASS MARSHALS

Sheharyar Imran
Calvin Richard Lamothe

Aleena Zara Malik
Haleigh Christine Prather

Ben Lev Yassky

2017 DAISY CHAIN & USHERS

Jane Eloise Bader, *Daisy Chain Coordinator*

Nicole Jessica Howell, *Daisy Chain Coordinator*

Julia Marie Pantalone, *Daisy Chain Coordinator*

DAISIES

Taylor Kathryn Bak
Aditi Chandna
Amaesha Shahab Durazi
Lisa Michiko Iwagami
Kamakshi Kanojia
Allegra Jarvis Kaufman
Melanie Elissa Melo

Hannah R. Mittman
Madeline Claire Ouellette
Talya Saunders Phelps
Kael Hailey Ragnini
Oshana Lee Reich
Elizabeth Michele Snyder
Frida Velcani

USHERS

Drew Alexander Hardin

Peter Elias Roumeliotis

Thomas Craig Schindelman

The traditional Daisy Chain forms an important part of Commencement exercises at the college. The tradition dates from the late 1880s when members of the sophomore class decorated the Chapel for Commencement with daisies picked in nearby fields. Later on, the decorations took the form of a rope of daisies to mark reserved seats for the seniors. In 1894, the story goes, a member of the graduating class suggested that the sophomores pick up the chain and carry it from the Chapel to the 1894 class tree where a ceremony of burying the class records took place.

From then on, the carrying of a Daisy Chain became a feature of Vassar's Class Day ceremonies, the sophomores escorting their "sister class" to the senior class tree and laying the floral rope around it in a wide circle, within which the graduates sang their class song for the last time.

Men joined the Daisy Chain at the May 30, 1971 Commencement. Today the chain will lead the recessional of seniors to the 'Main Circle' where it will be displayed for the seniors and their Commencement guests.

2017

COUNCIL OF BLACK SENIORS EXECUTIVE BOARD

Yasani Dia'Mar Spencer, *President*
Ehimwenma Cynthia Osagie, *Vice President*
Kayla Danielle Fisher, *Secretary*
Lily Shania Hartford, *Treasurer*

Gabriel Alexander Kawugule, *Programming Liaison*
Regina Ngozi Ebo, *Junior Intern*
Rachel Marie Jones, *Junior Intern*

2017

AFRICAN VIOLETS & USHERS

VIOLETS

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| Elyse A. Canty | Lorice D. Rodney |
| Celia B. Gomez-Colon | Savannah Delaney Smith |
| Farhia A. Osman | Aislinn A. Vencesdimas |
| Jessica B. Quansah | Thao P. Williams |

USHER

Joshua A. Ramirez

The African Violets, who are students in their freshmen through junior years, assist the Council of Black Seniors (CBS) in activities during the academic year, notably the all-campus Baccalaureate Service, which the CBS has sponsored since 1991 to complement the academic rites of the Commencement ceremony.

2017

ALUMNAE AND ALUMNI OF VASSAR COLLEGE (AAVC)
AWARD RECIPIENTS

DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Frances Tarlton Farenthold '46, P'75

SPIRIT OF VASSAR AWARD

Dr. Jeffrey Brenner '90

YOUNG ALUMNAE/I ACHIEVEMENT OR SERVICE AWARD

Dr. Marguerite E. O'Haire '08

OUTSTANDING FACULTY OR STAFF AWARD

M. Glen Johnson, *Professor Emeritus of Political Science*

TRUSTEES

2016 – 2017

Karen Herskovitz Ackman '88
Jamshed J. Bharucha '78
Jason Blum '91
Beth Burnam '77, P'10
Mark Burstein '84
Darys Estrella '92
Linda Fairstein '69
Richard Feitler '85
Anthony J. Friscia '78, P'15
Jeffrey A. Goldstein '77, P'12
Lorna Bade Goodman '63, P'88
Heather Sturt Haaga '72
Maryellen Cattani Herringer '65
Huang Hung '84
Philip N. Jefferson '83
Henry P. Johnson '88
Lisa Kudrow '85
Geraldine Bond Laybourne '69, P'93
Susan Zadek Mandel '78
Kenneth W. Miles '07
Tanya M. Odom '92
Carol S. Ostrow '77, P '09, P '15
Tamar Smith Pichette '86
William A. Plapinger '74, P'10, *Chair*
Kathy Zillweger Putnam '75
Eve E. Slater '67, A.B., M.D
Karen Strain Smythe '82
Milbrey (Missie) Rennie Taylor '68
Debra Fagel Treyz '74
Jill Troy Werner '71
Christianna A. Wood '81

THE ACADEMIC COSTUME CODE

The custom of wearing academic dress stems from the Middle Ages when scholars were also clerics and wore the costumes of their monastic orders. Significant parts of academic dress are the gown, the hood, and the cap. Each has a particular significance and is worn in accordance with standards established by the Academic Costume Code of the American Council on Education.

Gowns

Gowns recommended for use in the colleges and universities of this country have the following characteristics. The gown for the *bachelor's degree* has pointed sleeves, and is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the *master's degree* has an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist. The sleeve base hangs down in the traditional manner. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut, and the front part has an arc cut away. The gown is supplied with fasteners so that it may be worn open or closed. The gown for the *doctor's degree* has bell-shaped sleeves. It is supplied with fasteners so that it may be worn open or closed.

Material. Cotton poplin or similar material for the *bachelor's* and *master's degrees*, and rayon or silk ribbed material for the *doctor's degree*.

Color. Black is recommended.

Trimnings. None for the *bachelor's* or *master's degrees*. For the *doctor's degree*, the gown is faced down the front with black velvet and three bars of black velvet are sewn across the sleeves. These facings and crossbars may be velvet of the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains.

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctors' gowns, edging of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different subjects are as follows:

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| Agriculture | Maize |
| Arts, Letters, Humanities | White |
| Commerce, Accountancy, Business | Drab* |
| Dentistry | Lilac |
| Economics | Copper |
| Education | Light Blue |
| Engineering | Orange |
| Fine Arts, including Architecture | Brown |
| Forestry | Russet |
| Journalism | Crimson |
| Law | Purple |
| Library Science | Lemon |
| Medicine | Green |
| Music | Pink |
| Nursing | Apricot |
| Oratory (Speech) | Silver Gray |
| Pharmacy | Olive Green |
| Philosophy | Dark Blue |
| Physical Education | Sage Green |
| Public Administration, including | |
| Foreign Service | Peacock Blue |
| Public Health | Salmon Pink |
| Science | Golden Yellow |
| Social Work | Citron |
| Theology | Scarlet |
| Veterinary Science | Gray |

*Sapphire blue as alternate. Not recommended because of the likely confusion with blues previously assigned to other subjects.

Caps

Caps recommended for use in the colleges and universities of this country have the following characteristics.

Material. Cotton poplin, broadcloth, rayon, or silk, to match gown, or, for the *doctor's degree* only, velvet.

Color. Black.

Form. Mortarboards are generally recommended, although soft square-topped caps are permissible for women.

Tassel. A long tassel is fastened to the middle point of the top of the cap. Black or the color appropriate to the subject is worn, except that the doctor's cap may have its tassel of gold thread.

Hoods

Hoods recommended for use in the colleges and universities of this country have the following characteristics. The length of the hood worn for the *bachelor's degree* is three feet, for the *master's degree*, three and one-half feet, and for the *doctor's degree*, four feet. The hood worn for the *doctor's degree* shall have panels at the sides. Hoods are lined with the official color or colors of the college or university conferring the degree; more than one color is shown by division of the field color in a variety of ways, such as chevron or chevrons, equal division, etc.

Material. The same as that of the gown in all cases.

Color. Black in all cases.

Trimnings. The binding or edging of the hood is velvet or velveteen, two inches, three inches, and five inches in width for the *bachelor's*, *master's*, and *doctor's degrees*, respectively; while the color should be indicative of the subject to which the degree pertains. For example, the trimming for the degree of Master of Science in Agriculture should be maize, representing agriculture, rather than golden yellow, representing science. No academic hood should ever have its border divided to represent more than a single degree.

Some Permissible Exceptions

1. Members of the governing body of a college or university are entitled to wear doctor's gowns (with black velvet), but their hoods may be only those of degrees actually held by the wearers or those especially prescribed for them by the institution.

2. In some colleges and universities, it is customary for the president, chancellor, or chief officer to wear a costume similar to that used by the head of a foreign university. This practice should be strictly limited.

3. The chief marshal may wear a specially designed costume approved by his or her institution.

4. It is customary in many large institutions for the hood to be dispensed with by those receiving bachelor's degrees.

5. Persons who hold degrees from foreign universities may wear the entire appropriate academic costume, including cap, gown, and hood.

6. Members of religious orders and similar societies may suitably wear their customary habits. The same principle applies to persons wearing military uniforms or clad in special attire required by a civil office.

7. It is recommended that collegiate institutions that award degrees, diplomas, or certificates below the baccalaureate level use caps and gowns of a light color, e.g. light blue for teacher-training and light gray for other types of institutions.

English Translation of Diploma

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the title and degree commonly called Bachelor of Arts and with it all the rights, honors, privileges, universally attendant upon it. In witness whereof let this document stand, with the seal of the College and the signatures of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and of the President.

Date

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President

