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 Latysya 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
Joseph Christian Antal
Cole Davis Antle
Lidet Kibebeew Belay
Molly Miriam Berrey
Karli Marie Bigler
Maureen Catalina Brennan-Reyes
Gabrielle Leigh Campana
William A. H. Christy
Grayson Renee Clevenger
Elise Olivia Crawford
Natalie Susanne Foust
Jack Andrew Funderburg
Maia Alexandra Garbett
Kaitlyn Jane Gilson
Daniel James Gowans
Noah Ajax Green
Aakash Anup Gupta
Syed Abdullah Ali Hassan
Madeline G.A. Henson
Alexandra Louise Holm
Audrey Ruth Homlar

Jeffrey Austin Hudson
Alexander Patrick Illitch
Molly Osborne Jewett
Mary Katherine Kerins
Elizabeth Louise Kish
Megan Elizabeth Long
Sierra Jade Mainard
Jose Armendariz Matute
Tayler Ryann Moore
Maggie Estelle Myers
Amelia Claire Naille
Amelia Grace Richardson
Isabelle Marie Rodiguez
Maxim Robert Salerno
Anna Frances Scholle
Scott Charles Sidner
Ethan Wells Soderna
Jasmine Michele Spitzer
My Dieu Ta
Molly Mechelle Taylor
Maia Ellen Virgei
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 Neepher
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

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

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 Ward

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

Dorothy Herbst Prize — Elizabeth Louise Kish

Comparative Literature

CMLT Dorothy M. Herbst Travel Prize — Margaret Elaine Kriebel

Comparative Literature Writing Award Senior Prize — Margaret Elaine Kriebel
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


Blaine E. Grimes Summer Grant Program — Lidet Kibebelew 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


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

Promising Educator Award — Taylor Christine Frasure, Paige Elizabeth Hunter

Senior Members of Kappa Delta Pi — Erica Bailey Buchanen, 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
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

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

GEOLOGY/GEOGRAPHY

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

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

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

Corinne Lyman Award for Academic Excellence — Ivy Nicole Kirst

JOURNALISM & COMMUNICATION

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

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 Thenh 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

**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

**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

**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

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

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

Jordan E. Rolland Dickson Scholarship — Aimee Lynn Duckworth

The R. Eugene Glendening Scholarship — Katherine Michelle Konopka

Clarice Satchell Scholarship — Adediwura Oluwafeyikemi Adegbite

PSYCHOLOGY

Harry P. Bahrick 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

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

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

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

ZOOOLOGY

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