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Celebrating the Class of 2020

June 14, 2020

10 a.m.

*“Make and remake the world and
you will make and remake yourself
without even trying. You’ve got this.
And we’re counting on you.”*

SARA EL-AMINE '07,
addressing Oxy’s graduating seniors
in Hillside Theater on May 20, 2018

PROGRAM

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| <i>Opening</i> | “Grand March” from <i>Aida</i> , by Giuseppe Verdi (1813-1901) <i>Licensed from Green Hill Music</i> |
| <i>Welcome</i> | JONATHAN VEITCH <i>President, Occidental College</i> |
| <i>Invocation</i> | THE REV. SUSAN E. YOUNG <i>Director, Religious and Spiritual Life</i> |
| <i>Remarks</i> | STEPHEN ROUNTREE '71 <i>Chair, Board of Trustees</i> |
| <i>Choral Anthem</i> | THE OCCIDENTAL GLEE CLUB <i>Conducted by DÉsirÉE LAVERTU, Director of Choral & Vocal Activities</i> CATHERINE SELNA '20, <i>soloist</i> |

“True Colors”

(Words and Music by Billy Steinberg & Tom Kelly; arranged by Matthew Brown)

You with the sad eyes, don't be discouraged
Oh I realize it's hard to take courage
In a world full of people you can lose sight of it all
And the darkness there inside you makes you feel so small

But I see your true colors shining through
I see your true colors and that's why I love you
So, don't be afraid to let them show
Your true colors
Your true colors are beautiful, like a rainbow

Show me a smile then, and don't be unhappy
Can't remember when I last saw you laughing
If this world makes you crazy and you've taken all you can bear
Don't you know you can call me up because you know I'll be there

And I see your true colors shining through
I see your true colors and that's why I love you
So, don't be afraid to let them show
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| <i>Remarks</i> | WENDY STERNBERG <i>Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College</i> |
| <i>Reading of Names of Candidates for Degrees</i> | DEAN STERNBERG |
| <i>Conferring of Degrees in Course</i> | PRESIDENT VEITCH |
| <i>The Alma Mater*</i> | THE OCCIDENTAL GLEE CLUB "Occidental Fair," by William D. Ward (1860-1927) |
| | Occidental glorious, O'er her foes victorious Be her praise uproarious, Occidental fair. |
| | 'Neath the mountains old and grand By the roar of Ocean's strand, Girt with might forever stand, Occidental fair. |
| <i>Closing Remarks</i> | PRESIDENT VEITCH |
| <i>Benediction</i> | THE REV. SUSAN E. YOUNG |

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| Sarah Elizabeth Ruiz <i>Art and Art History</i> Simi Valley, California | Josiah R. Sheffie <i>Biology</i> Los Angeles, California | Zoe Madeline Speer <i>Theater</i> Nashville, Tennessee | Sabrina Livingston Thurber <i>Economics</i> Riverside, Connecticut |
| Celia M. Ruskin <i>Theater</i> Los Angeles, California | Adnan Shihabi <i>Kinesiology</i> Glendale, California | Kayla Rose Steinke <i>Chemistry</i> River Forest, Illinois | Jade Siew Thurnham <i>Biology</i> Northampton, United Kingdom |
| Aracely Ruvalcaba <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> Santa Ana, California | Kendrick T. Shoji <i>Media Arts and Culture</i> New York, New York | Michael F. Steinke <i>Biochemistry</i> Redlands, California | Zhiyu Tian <i>Media Arts and Culture</i> Berkeley, California |
| Shae Michael Sakamoto <i>Biology</i> Bellevue, Washington | Kainan J. Short <i>History</i> <i>Theater</i> San Juan Capistrano, California | Aaron Mitchell Stemp <i>English</i> Westlake Village, California | Elizabeth Tibebu <i>American Studies</i> Alexandria, Virginia |
| Gabrielle S. Saliomonas <i>Psychology</i> Coral Gables, Florida | Anne Shrum <i>Psychology</i> Fort Collins, Colorado | Christopher James Stern <i>Critical Theory and Social Justice</i> Litchfield, Connecticut | Javion Morris Tinsley <i>Politics</i> Atlanta, Georgia |
| Maria Salter <i>Cognitive Science</i> Castro Valley, California | Perrin Shyne <i>Cognitive Science</i> <i>East Asian Studies</i> Saint Paul, Minnesota | Andrea Gwendolyn Stine <i>Mathematics</i> Springfield, Missouri | Brittany Alexis Tovar <i>Sociology</i> Dallas, Texas |
| Bianca Sanchez-Frayre <i>Economics</i> <i>Spanish Studies</i> Los Angeles, California | Wendelyn Joyce Sia <i>Kinesiology</i> West Covina, California | Benjamin K. Su <i>Economics</i> Pasadena, California | Jonathan Micheal Trayser <i>Psychology</i> Munich, Germany |
| Evan G. Sarafian <i>Comparative Studies in</i> <i>Literature and Culture</i> <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> Bend, Oregon | Alvin Edhitjia Siagian <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> Jakarta, Indonesia | Bryan Suh <i>Art and Art History</i> Hong Kong | Kaylie J. Treskin <i>Politics</i> Bainbridge Island, Washington |
| Luke Savoie <i>Economics</i> Wilton, Connecticut | Rachel Sidebottom <i>Biology</i> Santa Fe, New Mexico | Isabel Yunwoo Sung <i>East Asian Studies</i> The Bronx, New York | Alex Richard Skinner Twomey <i>Music</i> Altadena, California |
| Naomi W. Schiller <i>Sociology</i> Albany, California | Anya Silverman-Stoloff <i>Politics</i> South Orange, New Jersey | Snigdha T. Suvarna <i>Economics</i> Troy, Michigan | Karin Uzawa <i>Group Language</i> Berkeley, California |
| Robert Isaac Schreiber <i>Chinese Studies</i> San Diego, California | Benjamin Simon <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> Menlo Park, California | Sofia Swanson <i>Comparative Studies in</i> <i>Literature and Culture</i> Chicago, Illinois | Troy Vincent Van Buskirk Barter <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> Felton, California |
| Annalise Kate Schulman <i>Biology</i> San Rafael, California | Maggie Lynn Smart-McCabe <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> Haddon Township, New Jersey | Margaret Rose Swomley <i>Biology</i> Thetford, Vermont | Ian Lane Ramsey Van Dusen <i>Geology</i> Olympia, Washington |
| Laurence John Seabrook <i>Biochemistry</i> Walnut Creek, California | Ben R. Smith <i>Urban and Environmental Policy</i> Chicago, Illinois | Rylan M. Tangonan <i>Biology</i> Kaneohe, Hawai'i | Mahum Vance <i>Politics</i> Old Tappan, New Jersey |
| | Andres E. Sobalvarro <i>Sociology</i> San Francisco, California | Catherine Sarah Teasdale <i>Economics</i> Newton, Massachusetts | Liliana Ibet Vasquez <i>Sociology</i> Los Angeles, California |

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| Vishnupriya Veerina <i>Politics</i> <i>Sociology</i> <i>Los Altos Hills, California</i> | Hanna Cecile White <i>English</i> <i>Washington, District of Columbia</i> | Dominique Wright <i>Music</i> <i>Pasadena, California</i> | Chengtian Yu <i>Art and Art History</i> <i>Japanese Studies</i> <i>Shanghai, China</i> |
| Sydney Schisgal Vermilyea <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> <i>San Francisco, California</i> | Kristine Lee White <i>English</i> <i>Everett, Washington</i> | Wesley Owen Wright <i>English</i> <i>Chatsworth, California</i> | Zhi Zhang Yu <i>Economics</i> <i>Mathematics</i> <i>Danville, California</i> |
| Aaron Villalobos <i>Economics</i> <i>Los Angeles, California</i> | Henry L. Whitmarsh <i>Economics</i> <i>Seattle, Washington</i> | Jade Hsuan-Chieh Wu <i>Computer Science</i> <i>Economics</i> <i>Honolulu, Hawai'i</i> | Jiahui Yue <i>History</i> <i>Shanghai, China</i> |
| Athena Villard <i>Comparative Studies in</i> <i>Literature and Culture</i> <i>New York, New York</i> | Marie Charlotte Rita Whitmore <i>Biology</i> <i>Lafayette, California</i> | Jiaqian Wu <i>Biochemistry</i> <i>Shanghai, China</i> | C. Hollis Yurish <i>Art and Art History</i> <i>Politics</i> <i>Long Beach, California</i> |
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| Joseph David Waldow <i>Politics</i> <i>Fullerton, California</i> | Abigail C. Wilson <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> <i>Lansing, Michigan</i> | Yan Yan <i>Computer Science</i> <i>Mathematics</i> <i>Shanghai, China</i> | Biyu Zhang <i>Biology</i> <i>Shanghai, China</i> |
| Peri E. Wallent <i>Cognitive Science</i> <i>Seattle, Washington</i> | Margery C. Wilson <i>English</i> <i>Winchendon, Massachusetts</i> | Huixi Yang <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> <i>East Asian Studies</i> <i>Shenyang, China</i> | Chengdong Zhang <i>Economics</i> <i>Nanjing, China</i> |
| Keying Wang <i>Psychology</i> <i>Shanghai, China</i> | Ryan Scott Wilson <i>Economics</i> <i>Salt Lake City, Utah</i> | Joshua D. Yee <i>Kinesiology</i> <i>Arcadia, California</i> | Warren Zhang <i>Biochemistry</i> <i>San Diego, California</i> |
| Sydney Wang <i>Economics</i> <i>Shanghai, China</i> | Rachel J. Winningham <i>Politics</i> <i>Lake Oswego, Oregon</i> | Caleb Yellin-Flaherty <i>Media Arts and Culture</i> <i>New York, New York</i> | Haiyi Zhao <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> <i>Psychology</i> <i>Nanjing, China</i> |
| Veronica Wang <i>Economics</i> <i>Arcadia, California</i> | Sara Tekie Woldegebriel <i>Chemistry</i> <i>Chicago, Illinois</i> | Yifan Yin <i>Media Arts and Culture</i> <i>Liaoning, China</i> | Sally Zhou <i>Cognitive Science</i> <i>San Francisco, California</i> |
| Tyler Christopher Webb <i>Politics</i> <i>Los Angeles, California</i> | Nikita Wolf <i>Sociology</i> <i>Portland, Oregon</i> | Daniel Jiwoo Yoon <i>Biology</i> <i>Corona, California</i> | Gianna Lee Zinnen <i>Biology</i> <i>Denver, Colorado</i> |
| Spencer Whaley <i>English</i> <i>Atlanta, Georgia</i> | Phillip J. Wong <i>Economics</i> <i>Cupertino, California</i> | Kyrlia Chin Young <i>Biology</i> <i>Seattle, Washington</i> | Ian Matthew Zunt <i>Urban and Environmental Policy</i> <i>Seattle, Washington</i> |
| Emily Jo Wharry <i>History</i> <i>Politics</i> <i>Simi Valley, California</i> | Tyler James Wray <i>Psychology</i> <i>Sammamish, Washington</i> | Sarah Weisz Young <i>Diplomacy and World Affairs</i> <i>Arlington, Virginia</i> | |

GRADUATION HONORS

Summa cum Laude is awarded to those students who have achieved a grade point average of 3.90 and have passed the comprehensive exam with distinction; *Magna cum Laude*, to those students who have achieved a grade point average of 3.75 and have passed the comprehensive exam; and *Cum Laude*, to those students who have achieved a grade point average of 3.50 and have passed the comprehensive exam.

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Camille Brzechffa
Peter Coulson
Jane Catherine Crosby-Schmidt
Lilianna C. Henkel
Monica J. Kim
Alexander Saunders Klas
Berkli J. Maningo
Davin Ella McKinley
Elena Kamila Neale
Adelia Joy Nunn
Skye Reed
Caroline Riley
Leopold Christian Ringmayr
Laurence John Seabrook
Rylan M. Tangonan
Catherine Rose Terry
Yan Yan

Magna cum Laude

Devoney Amberg
Sarah Elizabeth Ashby
Erin Ball
Maria Isabelle Barkhurst
Sara Pearl Bawale
Joshua J. Beisel
Ada O. Blige
Luke Cavanaugh Ikaika Boyer
Xiangyue Cao
Hannah R. Case
Rachel Mary Chang
Andrea Nichole Devries
Jack Patrick Doughty
Anna Patricia Franceschelli
Kathryn M. Grossmann
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Hannah Christine Hoefs
Chuanjie Hong
Habiba Lundambuyu Nina
Hopson
Dorothy A. Hudson
Ian Jan
Masamu Kawada
Micah Kirscher
Tao Wang Kwan
Sarah Jessica Lasoff
Hannah Mee-yeon Lee
Andrew Grant Leffler
Hailey Joyce Lister
Michael E. Luongo
Ariadne Makridakis
Devon Colvin Mann
Riley McCabe

Ian R. McConnell
Atnasia Dessalegn Mekonnen
Grace Metos
Annika Mae Moen
Isabel Carmen Morales
Ella Marie Morner-Ritt
Teagan J. Mucher
Courtney Anne Nelson
Isabel Norsten
Andrew M. Park
Fiona Pedrick
Spencer Lawrence Raub
Natalie A. Ray
Nelson Philips Rayl
Aracely Ruvalcaba
Anne Shrum
Malcolm Sowah
Asher Daniel Tessier
Dahlia G. Theriault
Alex Richard Skinner Twomey
Vishnupriya Veerina
Keying Wang
Kristine Lee White
Phillip J. Wong
Tyler James Wray
Warren Zhang
Gianna Lee Zinnen

Cum Laude

Hollie K. Adams
Alana Elena Adelman
Olivia Adelman
Karla Alas-Lopez
Cheldon Ann Alcantara
Connor Flynn Allison
Natalie M. Arbogast
Erin D. Ay
Talia Jordan Bar Yaacov
Belle Bashaw
Carol K. Beckett
John Patrick Bender Jr.
Joshua Stefan Bogen
Lilla McNeil Corse Butterworth
Madeline Sarah Callis
Julian D. Caravantes
Sydney Erin Carter
Mun Keat Julian Chan
Charlene Li Chen
John B. Chen
Monica E. Chernoff
Lauren Li-Min Chin
Emma Silverstein Choate
David P. Collins
Kevin Conroy
Meredith Louise Cook
Elena G. Daniel
Seth Davis
Henrik De La Torre
Anne Lise Delgado
Ivy Claire Denham-Conroy

Conal Manus Dennison
Annalie Dern
Ivan Derrick
Jagmit Kaur Dhani
Lindsee Marie Diaz
Pierce Katahdin Dimauro
Kate Elizabeth Dinauer
Nina Dutta
Riki Hisayo Suzuki Eijima
Dawson J. Engstrom
Jack A. Fernandes
Eli Feuerman
Naomi Field
Hope E. Fowler
Victoria L. Funk
Kiersten Gabaldon
Brendan Galbreath
Isabel Grace Geddes
Isaac Glasser
Milo Raymond Goodell
Alexander Granath
Natalia Luna Guerra
Kali Michelle Haire
Julian Robert Halpern
Cassia Loukides Harrison
Leah Catherine Healy
Nicola Kim Henderson
Nicole Dizon Henderson
Sarah E. Hofmann
Alison A. Hunter
Mason Vaughn Hurlocker
Tala Ismail
Nkese J. Jack
Maxime Joly
Ryan Hideo Kaneshiro
Molly C. Kauffman
Makayla R. Keasler
Malvika Khanna
Brian Kim
Farrah Kim
Joshua K. Kim
Gregory M. Kleinman
Junepyo Lee
Yuri Lee
Emily Anne Leonard
Jaydon Marc Levitt
Bryce Lewis-Smith
Allen Li
Betsy Li
Brian Li
Tianyu Li
Yunjie Li
Citlaly Madrid
Saya K. Maeda
Lily M. Maness
Mike M. Matsuura
Daniel J. McGrath
Jason John Mittler
Elliott Lyn Moore
Jackson Thornhill Chapman
Munn

Ebram K. Naftzger
Xavier A. Nelson-Rowntree
Michael Paul Netzel
Tanner Michael Nickles
Cyrus Nordhougen
Pablo Nukaya-Petralia
Cheyenne Laura Orozco
Xianna Emmanuelle Ortiz
Jung In Park
Samantha Jean Peck-Sanders
Alessandra K. Pelliccia
Roe M. Perry
Sofia Marisa Porcarelli
Ellen S. Prince
Charlotte Anne Rand
Onpailin Rangsihienchai
Samuel Ritmeester-Loy
Kathryn G. Roach
Hope Elizabeth Roehrs
Raiah C. Rofsky
Gabrielle S. Saliamonas
Bianca Lizeth Sanchez-Frayre
Evan G. Sarafian
Naomi W. Schiller
Eleanor R. Severance
Alvin Edhitjia Siagian
Rachel Sidebottom
Anya Silverman-Stoloff
Benjamin Simon
Maggie Lynn Smart-McCabe
Ben R. Smith
Joseph Michael Sortino
Kathy Maria Sorto
Zoe M. Speer
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Yifan Yin
Kyrليا Chin Young
Sarah Weisz Young
Chengtian Yu
Biyou Zhang
Ian Matthew Zunt

COLLEGE HONORS

Students who meet the scholarship standards of the Honors Program may present a special project representing sustained independent research to the faculty of their major department. Those whose projects are judged to be outstanding are awarded College Honors upon graduation.

In Biochemistry

Ian Jan
Allen Li
Tanner Michael Nickles

In Biology

Cheldon Ann Alcantara
Sarah Elizabeth Ashley
Bryce Lewis-Smith
Samuel Ritmeester-Loy
Rachel Sidebottom
Gianna Lee Zinnen

In Chemistry

Masamu Kawada
Yuri Lee

In Cognitive Science

Isabel Grace Geddes
Devon Colvin Mann
Maria Salter

In Critical Theory and Social Justice

Natalia Luna Guerra
Julian Robert Halpern
Ariadne Makridakis
Skye Reed
Hope Elizabeth Roehrs

In Diplomacy and World Affairs

Kate Elizabeth Dinauer
Jack A. Fernandes
Nora Grace Healy
Saya K. Maeda
Isabel Carmen Morales
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Sofia Marisa Porcarelli

In English

Peter Coulson
Grace Metos
Ella Marie Morner-Ritt
Natalie A. Ray

In Geology

Lori A. Berberian
Fiona Pedrick
Ian Lane Ramsey Van Dusen

In History

Kevin Conroy
Milo Raymond Goodell

In Mathematics

Kathryn M. Grossmann
Andrea Gwendolyn Stine

In Philosophy

Jacob S. Eggert

In Politics

Erin D. Ay
Victoria L. Funk
Berkli J. Maningo
Vishnupriya Veerina
Rachel J. Winningham

In Psychology

Charlene Li Chen
Hannah Mee-yeon Lee
Anne Shrum
Keying Wang

In Religious Studies

Rachel Mary Chang

In Sociology

Catherine Ming Anderson
Alexander Granath
Lilianna Henkel
Liliana Ibet Vasquez
Vishnupriya Veerina

In Theater

Sophia Alanna Fern Brown
Mitchell MacClean Carswell
Molly C. Kauffman
Sergio Perez
Kainan J. Short
Zoe Madeline Speer
Asher Daniel Tessier

In Urban and Environmental Policy

Natalie M. Arbogast
Meredith Louise Cook
Sarah Jessica Lasoff
Caroline Riley
Ben R. Smith
Kayla Chayse Williams

DELTA CHAPTER, PHI BETA KAPPA

The following members of the Senior Class of 2020 were elected to Phi Beta Kappa national honor society.

Devoney Amberg
Catherine Ming Anderson
Sarah Elizabeth Ashley
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Joshua J. Beisel
Ryder Bennell
Nicholas Albert Bethune
Ada Blige
Camille Brzechffa
Xiangyue Cao
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Keying Wang
Kristine Lee White
Yan Yan
Gianna Lee Zinnen

COLLEGE AWARDS/CLASS DAY HONOREES

THE PHI BETA KAPPA BENJAMIN H. CULLEY PRIZE, established in 1984 by the Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in memory of Dean Culley, chapter secretary from 1943 to 1982, recognizes a graduating senior whose initiative and creativity beyond the classroom have enhanced the intellectual climate of the College. The 2020 recipient is **Michael Kwan**, a music and physics double major from San Francisco. He and his family left their native Hong Kong so that he and his brother could be able to attend college in America. Michael knew he wanted to major in physics when he enrolled at Oxy, but it was the opportunity to study violin with Lyndon Johnston Taylor, the Benjamin H. Culley Teaching Artist in Residence at Oxy, that prompted him to pursue a double major in physics and music. Of all his activities at Oxy, his favorite was playing in Sinfonia, Oxy's orchestral ensemble. As a participant in Music on a Friday Afternoon, the Music Department's informal recital series, Michael not only played but also conducted a piece performed by his peers.

THE LUCILLE Y. GILMAN MEMORIAL AWARD is presented annually by Mortar Board to an outstanding senior in recognition of service, leadership, and scholarship. The award was established in 1979 in memory of Mrs. Gilman, first wife of the 10th president of Occidental. The 2020 recipients are **Aracely Ruvalcaba**, a diplomacy and world affairs major and critical theory and social justice minor from Santa Ana, and **Kayla Chayse Williams**, an urban and environmental policy major from the Bronx, New York.

Aracely Ruvalcaba has dedicated her time at Oxy to the pursuit of community engagement. Participating in Oxy's Multicultural Summer Institute heightened her passion for social justice that guided her throughout her undergraduate experience. She has not only grown in the last four years academically but also socially, emotionally, and spiritually. She has always been thankful for the friendships and relationships she developed at Oxy. She thanks both her peers and the Oxy community for encouraging her transformation into the person she is today.

Kayla Williams grew up seeing good people slip through the cracks and vowed to do everything she could to disrupt this cycle. As a summer intern with Esperanza Community Housing Corporation, she realized the power of education to empower communities, and continued that work at the Center for Community Based Learning (CCBL) throughout her four years at Oxy. Kayla has served as an Education in Action facilitator and coordinator; as a tutor for students in transitional housing through the School on Wheels program; and as a teaching assistant. Additionally, Kayla has supported students on campus through her work with the Obama Scholars Program and as the club liaison for the Diversity and Equity Board (DEB). Kayla's commitment to her work is in large part a reflection of the love, energy, and time that mentors and leaders have poured into her, and she accepts these senior honors on their behalf.

THE MORTAR BOARD AWARD FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE STATUS OF WOMEN is presented to the classmate voted by the senior class to have contributed most significantly to the promotion of the status of women at Occidental. The 2020 recipients are **August Ella Bruce Barringer**, a studio art and art history major from Norwalk, Connecticut; and **Kayla Chayse Williams**.

August Barringer has been working to support trans women since she came out in fall 2016. As president of the Queer Student Alliance, she founded the student organization TRANScendence to support trans individuals and make Oxy a more trans-inclusive space. August received the Undergraduate Research Center's Mellon Fellowship, which she used to create an installation expressing the relationship she and other trans women have with the city of Los Angeles. For her senior comprehensive, August created a 20-foot sculpture, *Effulgence*, memorializing transgender individuals (particularly trans women) who have been murdered, and critiquing the visual expectations society has based on its dichotomous understanding of gender. After a year or two of work, she hopes to go to art school for her MFA studies.

THE DONALD R. LOFTSGORDON MEMORIAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING TEACHING goes to a member of the faculty selected by the senior class in recognition and appreciation of the exceptional ability to communicate and inspire. The award was established in 1966 by the Associated Students of Occidental College in memory of Professor Loftsgordon, member of the Philosophy Department from 1960 to 1966, and an alumnus of the Class of 1950. The 2020 recipient is **Malek Moazzam-Doulat '92**, adjunct assistant professor of religious studies and comparative studies in literature and culture. His research focuses on contemporary political theory with an emphasis on the relationship between Middle Eastern and European political and philosophical responses to modernity and imperialism. His recent work on the role of Continental philosophy in Iranian thought and politics will appear in the inaugural *Iranian Yearbook of Phenomenology* in 2020. In addition to academic work, Moazzam-Doulat has worked for the ACLU of Southern California, focusing on privacy rights and post-9/11 public policy and civil liberties issues facing the Muslim, Arab, and Iranian communities in Southern California.

THE MORTAR BOARD AWARD FOR THE PROMOTION OF MULTICULTURALISM is presented to a member of the senior class who has made a substantial contribution to fostering cultural, religious, and ethnic interaction and therefore enhancing a sense of community on campus. The 2020 recipient is **Javion Morris Tinsley**, a politics major and Black studies and theater double minor from Atlanta by way of Opelika, Alabama. Javion was a member of the Black Student Association, Harambee, and served on the Student Affairs Cultural Diversity Advisory Group, Gender Equity Work Group, and as ASOC junior class senator. Javion was also a linebacker on Oxy's football team as well. After graduation he will be studying for the LSAT in preparation for law school. He hopes that there will be a stronger sense of community on campus long after he is gone. Javion also wants to give a special thanks to Occidental's Black community for supporting him and giving him the strength he needed to make it through.

NATIONAL AWARDS

Five Oxy seniors received FULBRIGHT AWARDS or were named as alternates: **Camille Brzechffa**, to conduct research in Poland; **John B. Chen**, as an alternate for teaching English in Vietnam; **Habiba Lundambuyu Nina Hopson**, to teach English in Colombia; **Darla M. Howell**, to teach English in Taiwan; and **Thomas Robertson**, to conduct research in Burkina Faso.

Habiba Lundambuyu Nina Hopson was awarded a DAVIS PROJECTS FOR PEACE grant. The program invited undergraduates in American colleges and universities to design grassroots projects that promote peace and address the root causes of conflict among parties.

Paul L. Charbonneau, **Hailey Christina Gil**, and **Joseph David Waldow** were participants in the PUBLIC POLICY AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS program (PPIA) junior summer institute. To prepare underrepresented students for graduate school and public service careers, the PPIA seeks out high-potential undergraduates to participate in an intensive seven-week summer institute before their senior year.

ATHLETICS AWARDS

Nolan Michael James McCarthy (baseball) and **LaShauna Porter** (track and field) are the 2020 recipients of the ROY M. DENNIS SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD, given to Oxy's outstanding male and female senior scholar-athletes.

THE DUNLAP AWARD is given annually to the senior male and female student who excelled in a team sport and in the classroom. The award honors the late Grant Dunlap '46, who played shortstop for the baseball team as a student and coached the Tigers from 1955 to 1984. The 2020 recipients are **Ryan Hideo Kaneshiro** (basketball) and **Karla Alas-Lopez** (soccer).

THE YEOMANS AWARD is named in honor of the late Pat Henry Yeomans '38, considered the greatest tennis player in Occidental history, and recognizes the senior male and female student who excelled in an individual sport and in the classroom. The 2020 recipients are **Thomas Robertson** (cross country and track and field) and **Sabrina Livingston Thurber** (cross country and track and field).

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

Biology FRED K. KURATA AWARD: **Joshua J. Beisel** and **Camille Brzechffa**. JOHN W. McMENAMIN AWARD: **Bryce Lewis-Smith**. MARIA PEREYRA RESEARCH AWARD: **Hannah Christine Hoefs**. RAYMOND M. SELLE AWARD: **Cheldon Ann Alcantara** and **Sarah Elizabeth Ashey**.

Chemistry L. REED BRANTLEY AWARD: **Marc Kawada**. FRANK L. LAMBERT AWARD FOR SERVICE: **Kayla Rose Steinke**. ALUMNI AWARD: **Yuri Lee**, **Cheyenne Laura Orozco**, and **Allen Li**. TEACHING ASSISTANTS OF THE YEAR: **Marc Kawada**, **Allen Li**, and **Lauren Li-Min Chin**.

Computer Science INTERDISCIPLINARY PRIZE: **Xiomara Liana Rodriguez**.

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